

ORDINANCE NO.: 1921

**AN ORDINANCE TO REAPPORTION THE
COUNCIL DISTRICTS OF THE CITY OF PRICHARD
BECAUSE OF POPULATION CHANGES
AS REFLECTED IN THE 2000 FEDERAL CENSUS**

WHEREAS, Section 11-43C-90 of the Code of Alabama 1975, as amended requires that whenever there shall be a change in the population in any of the five districts heretofore established following a decennial federal census beginning in 1990, there shall be a reapportionment of the council districts;

WHEREAS, the 2000 Federal Census showed a change in population the population of each of the five council districts, which change was more that five (5) percent in one or more of the districts;

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Prichard finds that the council districts are due to be reapportioned;

WHEREAS, the City of Prichard commissioned the South Alabama Regional Planning Commission to study the changes in the various council districts and to present the Council with a report containing a recommended plan for the reapportionment of the council district boundaries to comply with the following specifications contained in Section 11-43C-90:

- a. Each district shall be formed of contiguous, and to the extent reasonably possible, compact territory, and its boundary lines shall be the centerlines of streets or other well-defined boundaries; and
- b. Each district shall contain as nearly as is reasonable the same population.

WHEREAS, the Council has been presented with the proposed plan for the reapportionment of the council districts, attached hereto as Exhibit "A", containing the total population from the 2000 Federal Census and the proposed population for each of the city's five (5) council districts, and Exhibit "B", the map setting forth the proposed boundary lines for each of the five (5) council districts;

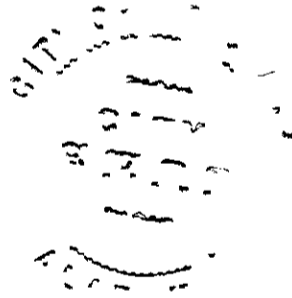
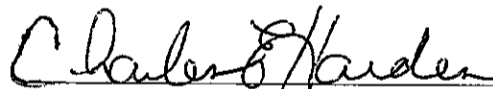
WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Prichard, Alabama finds that the proposed plan for reapportionment of the council districts meets the requirements contained in Section 11-43C-90 and the plan fairly and equitably apportions the population of the City of Prichard amount the five (5) council districts;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF PRICHARD, ALABAMA, as follows:**

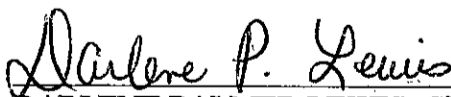
1. The plan for the reapportionment of the council districts for the City of Prichard attached hereto as Exhibit A, setting forth the population for each of the five (5) Council districts and Exhibit B, the map setting forth the proposed boundary lines for each of the five (5) council districts is hereby approved and adopted.
2. The redistricting plan hereby approved and adopted shall apply to the first regular election held more than six months after its becoming effective and to all municipal elections, regular or special, held after the first regular election.
3. The Mayor of the City of Prichard is hereby authorized and directed to have prepared a metes and bounds description of the council districts prepared and annexed to this Ordinance and distributed to Probate Court of Mobile County, Alabama and the City Council of the City of Prichard; and to obtain pre-clearance of the redistricting plan by the United State Department of Justice.
4. This Ordinance shall become effected immediately upon its adoption and publication as required by law and shall repeal and supercede any ordinance in conflict herewith.

ADOPTED this the 29th day of January, 2004.

APPROVED:



CHARLES E. HARDEN, Mayor

ATTESTED:


DARLENE PALMER LEWIS, City Clerk