
**THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

**ORDINANCE
NUMBER 2016-003**

**AN ORDINANCE REDISTRICTING THE WARDS OF THE
CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.**

**DOMINGO F. VARGAS, Mayor
Randy Heuser, City Clerk**

1st Ward	TOM HAWLEY	GEORGE POULOS
2nd Ward	LETICIA VIEYRA	FRED BILOTTO
3rd Ward	NANCY RITA	KEVIN DONAHUE
4th Ward	CANDACE CARR	ALECIA SLATTERY
5th Ward	JANICE OSTLING	KENNETH PITTMAN
6th Ward	DEXTER JOHNSON	JAIRO FRAUSTO
7th Ward	NANCY THOMPSON	JAMES JOHANSON

Aldermen

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WHEREAS, the wards of the City of Blue Island have not been redistricted since 1996;
and

WHEREAS, because of population shifts over the past 20 years, the wards have become unequal in population; necessitating a redistricting; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has endeavored to divide election as few precincts as necessary to avoid confusion among voters, election judges and officials; and

WHEREAS, the ward boundaries set forth below were primarily generated by following existing precinct lines; and

WHEREAS, the City Council's Redistricting Committee has conducted several well-publicized public meetings to solicit comments on various redistricting proposals from the community; and

WHEREAS, the map set forth below creates two wards which have a majority Hispanic population, and one ward with a majority African American population; and

WHEREAS, the current ward map contains only one ward with a majority Hispanic population, and zero wards with a majority African-American population;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Blue Island, County of Cook and State of Illinois, that:

SECTION ONE: SEVEN WARDS

The City of Blue Island is divided into seven wards, as follows:

FIRST WARD:

BEGINNING AT THE INTERSECTION OF DIVISION STREET AND CANAL STREET; THENCE SOUTH ALONG DIVISION STREET TO THE SOUTH

LINE OF CALUMET TOWNSHIP; THENCE WEST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF CALUMET TOWNSHIP TO THE WEST BOUNDARY OF CALUMET TOWNSHIP; THENCE WEST ALONG 135TH STREET EXTENDED AND 135TH STREET IN BREMEN TOWNSHIP TO MOZART STREET; THENCE NORTH ALONG MOZART STREET TO BROADWAY STREET; THENCE EASTERLY ALONG BROADWAY STREET TO CALIFORNIA AVENUE; THENCE NORTH ALONG CALIFORNIA AVENUE TO JOHN STREET EXTENDED WEST; THENCE WEST ALONG JOHN STREET EXTENDED FOLLOWING THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF BLUE ISLAND TO FRANCISCO AVENUE; THENCE SOUTH ALONG FRANCISCO AVENUE TO 135TH STREET; THENCE WEST ALONG 135TH STREET TO SACRAMENTO AVENUE; THENCE SOUTH ALONG SACRAMENTO AVENUE TO 139TH STREET; THENCE WEST ALONG 139TH STREET TO COOPER GROVES ROAD; THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY ALONG COOPER GROVES ROAD TO KEDZIE AVENUE; THENCE SOUTH AND EAST ALONG KEDZIE AVENUE AND GENERALLY COUNTERCLOCKWISE AROUND THE CITY BOUNDARY TO CALIFORNIA AVENUE IN BREMEN TOWNSHIP; THENCE NORTH ALONG CALIFORNIA AVENUE TO 139TH STREET; THENCE EAST ALONG 139TH STREET AND GENERALLY COUNTERCLOCKWISE AROUND THE SOUTH AND EAST CITY BOUNDARY TO INTERSTATE 57; THENCE NORTH ALONG INTERSTATE 57 TO BROADWAY STREET; THENCE WESTERLY ALONG BROADWAY STREET TO CANAL STREET; THENCE WESTERLY ALONG CANAL STREET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

SECOND WARD:

BEGINNING AT THE INTERSECTION OF GREGORY STREET AND VERMONT STREET; THENCE EAST ALONG VERMONT STREET TO DIVISION STREET; THENCE SOUTH ALONG DIVISION STREET TO THE CAL-SAG CHANNEL; THENCE EASTERLY ALONG THE CAL-SAG CHANNEL TO ASHLAND AVENUE; THENCE EASTERLY AND SOUTHWESTERLY ALONG THE CAL-SAG CHANNEL AND GENERALLY CLOCKWISE ALONG THE EASTERN CITY BOUNDARY TO INTERSTATE 57; THENCE NORTH ALONG INTERSTATE 57 TO BROADWAY STREET; THENCE WESTERLY ALONG BROADWAY STREET TO CANAL STREET; THENCE WESTERLY ALONG CANAL STREET TO DIVISION STREET; THENCE SOUTH ALONG DIVISION STREET TO THE SOUTH LINE OF CALUMET TOWNSHIP; THENCE WEST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF CALUMET TOWNSHIP TO THE WEST BOUNDARY OF CALUMET TOWNSHIP; THENCE WEST ALONG 135TH STREET EXTENDED AND 135TH STREET IN BREMEN TOWNSHIP TO MOZART STREET; THENCE NORTH ALONG MOZART STREET TO BROADWAY STREET; THENCE EASTERLY ALONG BROADWAY STREET TO CALIFORNIA AVENUE; THENCE NORTH ALONG CALIFORNIA AVENUE FOLLOWING THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF BLUE ISLAND TO VERMONT STREET; THENCE EAST ALONG VERMONT STREET TO THE G. T. & W. RAILROAD;

THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG THE G. T. & W. RAILROAD TO STONY CREEK; THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY ALONG STONY CREEK TO GROVE STREET EXTENDED WEST; THENCE EAST ALONG SAID GROVE STREET EXTENDED WEST AND GROVE STREET TO ANN STREET; THENCE SOUTH ALONG ANN STREET TO JAMES STREET; THENCE EAST ALONG JAMES STREET TO OLD WESTERN AVENUE; THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG OLD WESTERN AVENUE TO GROVE STREET; THENCE EAST ALONG GROVE STREET EXTENDED TO GREGORY STREET; THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG GREGORY STREET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

THIRD WARD:

BEGINNING AT THE INTERSECTION OF VERMONT STREET AND DIVISION STREET; THENCE SOUTH ALONG DIVISION STREET TO THE CAL-SAG CHANNEL; THENCE EASTERLY ALONG THE CAL-SAG CHANNEL TO ASHLAND AVENUE; THENCE NORTH ALONG ASHLAND AVENUE TO VERMONT STREET; THENCE WESTERLY ALONG VERMONT STREET AND GENERALLY COUNTERCLOCKWISE AROUND THE EAST CITY BOUNDARY TO 127TH STREET; THENCE WEST ALONG 127TH STREET TO THE C. R. I. & P. RAILROAD; THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG THE C. R. I. & P. RAILROAD TO VERMONT STREET; THENCE EAST ALONG VERMONT STREET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

FOURTH WARD:

BEGINNING AT THE INTERSECTION OF VERMONT STREET AND WESTERN AVENUE; THENCE WEST ALONG VERMONT STREET TO MAPLE AVENUE; THENCE NORTH ALONG MAPLE AVENUE TO YORK STREET; THENCE EAST ALONG YORK STREET TO GREENWOOD AVENUE; THENCE NORTH ALONG GREENWOOD AVENUE TO THE EAST AND WEST ALLEY LYING BETWEEN WALNUT STREET AND OAK STREET; THENCE WEST ALONG SAID ALLEY TO THE NORTH AND SOUTH ALLEY LYING JUST WEST OF GREENWOOD AVENUE; THENCE NORTH ALONG NORTH AND SOUTH ALLEYS TO 127TH STREET; THENCE EAST ALONG 127TH STREET TO GREENWOOD AVENUE; THENCE NORTH ALONG GREENWOOD AVENUE TO GRUNEWALD STREET; THENCE EAST ALONG GRUNEWALD STREET TO WESTERN AVENUE; THENCE SOUTH ALONG WESTERN AVENUE TO KRUEGER STREET; THENCE EAST ALONG KRUEGER STREET TO GREGORY STREET; THENCE NORTH ALONG GREGORY STREET TO 122ND STREET; THENCE EAST ALONG 122ND STREET TO VINCENNES ROAD; THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG VINCENNES ROAD TO 123RD STREET; THENCE EAST ALONG 123RD STREET EXTENDED EAST TO DIVISION STREET EXTENDED NORTH; THENCE SOUTH ALONG SAID DIVISION STREET EXTENDED NORTH AND DIVISION STREET TO 127TH STREET; THENCE WEST ALONG 127TH STREET TO THE C. R. I. & P. RAILROAD JUST EAST OF IRVING AVENUE; THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG THE C.

R. I. & P. RAILROAD TO PRAIRIE STREET; THENCE WEST ALONG PRAIRIE STREET TO IRVING AVENUE; THENCE SOUTH ALONG IRVING AVENUE TO THE EAST AND WEST ALLEY LYING JUST SOUTH OF PRAIRIE STREET; THENCE WEST ALONG SAID ALLEY TO GREGORY STREET; THENCE SOUTH ALONG GREGORY STREET TO WALNUT STREET; THENCE WEST ALONG WALNUT STREET TO WESTERN AVENUE; THENCE SOUTH ALONG WESTERN AVENUE TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

FIFTH WARD:

BEGINNING AT THE INTERSECTION OF LEWIS STREET AND GREENWOOD AVENUE; THENCE NORTH ALONG GREENWOOD AVENUE TO GRUNEWALD STREET; THENCE EAST ALONG GRUNEWALD STREET TO WESTERN AVENUE; THENCE SOUTH ALONG WESTERN AVENUE TO KRUEGER STREET; THENCE EAST ALONG KRUEGER STREET TO GREGORY STREET; THENCE NORTH ALONG GREGORY STREET TO 122ND STREET; THENCE EAST ALONG 122ND STREET TO VINCENNES ROAD; THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG VINCENNES ROAD TO 123RD STREET; THENCE EAST ALONG 123RD STREET EXTENDED EAST TO DIVISION STREET EXTENDED NORTH; THENCE SOUTH ALONG SAID DIVISION STREET EXTENDED NORTH AND DIVISION STREET TO THE C. R. I. & P. RAILROAD; THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG THE C. R. I. & P. RAILROAD AND GENERALLY COUNTERCLOCKWISE AROUND THE EAST AND NORTH CITY BOUNDARY TO THE INTERSECTION OF 119TH STREET AND WESTERN AVENUE; THENCE SOUTH ALONG WESTERN AVENUE TO 121ST STREET; THENCE WEST ALONG 121ST STREET TO THE NORTH AND SOUTH ALLEY LYING BETWEEN ANN STREET AND MAPLE AVENUE; THENCE SOUTH ALONG NORTH AND SOUTH ALLEYS TO COCHRAN STREET; THENCE WEST ALONG COCHRAN STREET TO MAPLE AVENUE; THENCE SOUTH ALONG MAPLE AVENUE TO BIRDSALL STREET; THENCE EAST ALONG BIRDSALL STREET TO THE NORTH AND SOUTH ALLEY LYING BETWEEN MAPLE AVENUE AND ANN STREET; THENCE NORTH ALONG SAID ALLEY TO LEWIS STREET; THENCE EAST ALONG LEWIS STREET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

SIXTH WARD:

BEGINNING AT THE INTERSECTION OF 121ST STREET AND WESTERN AVENUE; THENCE; THENCE WEST ALONG 121ST STREET TO THE NORTH AND SOUTH ALLEY LYING BETWEEN ANN STREET AND MAPLE AVENUE; THENCE SOUTH ALONG NORTH AND SOUTH ALLEYS TO COCHRAN STREET; THENCE WEST ALONG COCHRAN STREET TO MAPLE AVENUE; THENCE SOUTH ALONG MAPLE AVENUE TO BIRDSALL STREET; THENCE WEST ALONG BIRDSALL STREET TO ELM STREET; THENCE SOUTH ALONG ELM STREET TO 127TH STREET;

THENCE WEST ALONG 127TH STREET TO CALIFORNIA AVENUE; THENCE NORTH ALONG CALIFORNIA TO BIRDSALL STREET EXTENDED WEST; THENCE WEST ALONG BIRDSALL STREET EXTENDED TO THE G. T. & W. RAILROAD; THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG THE G. T. & W. RAILROAD AND GENERALLY CLOCKWISE ON THE WEST AND NORTH CITY BOUNDARY TO THE INTERSECTION OF 119TH STREET AND WESTERN AVENUE; THENCE SOUTH ALONG WESTERN AVENUE TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

SEVENTH WARD:

BEGINNING AT THE INTERSECTION OF VERMONT STREET AND WESTERN AVENUE; THENCE WEST ALONG VERMONT STREET TO MAPLE AVENUE; THENCE NORTH ALONG MAPLE AVENUE TO YORK STREET; THENCE EAST ALONG YORK STREET TO GREENWOOD AVENUE; THENCE NORTH ALONG GREENWOOD AVENUE TO THE EAST AND WEST ALLEY LYING BETWEEN WALNUT STREET AND OAK STREET; THENCE WEST ALONG SAID ALLEY TO THE NORTH AND SOUTH ALLEY LYING JUST WEST OF GREENWOOD AVENUE; THENCE NORTH ALONG NORTH AND SOUTH ALLEYS TO 127TH STREET; THENCE EAST ALONG 127TH STREET TO GREENWOOD AVENUE; THENCE NORTH ALONG GREENWOOD AVENUE TO LEWIS STREET; THENCE WEST ALONG LEWIS STREET TO THE NORTH AND SOUTH ALLEY LYING BETWEEN ANN STREET AND MAPLE AVENUE; THENCE SOUTH ALONG SAID ALLEY TO BIRDSALL STREET; THENCE WEST ALONG BIRDSALL STREET TO ELM STREET; THENCE SOUTH ALONG ELM STREET TO 127TH STREET; THENCE WEST ALONG 127TH STREET TO CALIFORNIA AVENUE; THENCE NORTH ALONG CALIFORNIA TO BIRDSALL STREET EXTENDED WEST; THENCE WEST ALONG BIRDSALL STREET EXTENDED WEST TO THE G. T. & W. RAILROAD; THENCE SOUTH, WEST AND EAST AND GENERALLY COUNTERCLOCKWISE ON THE WEST CITY BOUNDARY TO THE INTERSECTION OF CALIFORNIA AVENUE AND VERMONT STREET; THENCE EAST ALONG VERMONT STREET TO THE G. T. & W. RAILROAD; THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG THE G. T. & W. RAILROAD TO STONY CREEK; THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY ALONG STONY CREEK TO GROVE STREET EXTENDED WEST; THENCE EAST ALONG GROVE STREET TO ANN STREET; THENCE SOUTH ALONG ANN STREET TO JAMES STREET; THENCE EAST ALONG JAMES STREET TO OLD WESTERN AVENUE; THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG OLD WESTERN AVENUE TO GROVE STREET; THENCE EAST ALONG GROVE STREET EXTENDED TO GREGORY STREET; THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG GREGORY STREET TO VERMONT STREET; THENCE EAST ALONG VERMONT STREET TO THE C. R. I. & P. RAILROAD; THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG THE C. R. I. & P. RAILROAD TO PRAIRIE STREET; THENCE WEST ALONG PRAIRIE STREET TO IRVING AVENUE; THENCE SOUTH ALONG IRVING AVENUE TO THE EAST AND WEST ALLEY

LYING JUST SOUTH OF PRAIRIE STREET; THENCE WEST ALONG PRAIRIE STREET TO GREGORY STREET; THENCE SOUTH ALONG GREGORY STREET TO WALNUT STREET; THENCE WEST ALONG WALNUT STREET TO WESTERN AVENUE; THENCE SOUTH ALONG WESTERN AVENUE TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

SECTION TWO: INTERPRETATION

(a) The boundaries in this ordinance are those set forth on the official 2010 census maps published by the United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census. Where a boundary is given as a street, road or similar feature, the boundary shall be the centerline of the street, road or similar feature.

(b) Any part of the City which has not been described as included in one of the wards described in this ordinance is included in the ward that is contiguous to the part and that contains the least population of all wards contiguous to the part according to the 2010 United States census.

(c) If any part of the City is described in this ordinance as being in more than one ward such part is included within the ward that:

- (1) Is one of the wards in which that part is listed in this ordinance;
- (2) Is contiguous to that part; and
- (3) Contains the least population according to the 2010 United States census.

(d) If any part of the City is described in this ordinance as being in one ward and is entirely surrounded by another ward, such part shall be incorporated into the ward that surrounds the part.

(e) If any part of the City is described in this ordinance as being in one ward and is not contiguous to another part of the ward, such part is included within the contiguous ward that contains the least population according to the 2010 United State census.

SECTION THREE: NEWLY ANNEXED AREAS

(a) Newly annexed areas contiguous to only one ward are part of the ward to which they are contiguous.

(b) If a newly annexed area is contiguous to more than one ward, it shall be part of the ward which contains the least population. Council shall determine which ward contains the least population in the annexation ordinance or by another method after the annexation is completed.

SECTION FOUR: WARD MAPS

The City Clerk shall cause maps showing the boundaries of the wards established by this ordinance to be printed in sufficient quantity to meet demand. A copy of the map shall be available for public inspection during regular office hours and be available for sale to the general public for three dollars (\$3.00) per copy. The City Clerk shall furnish free copies of the map to the County Clerk and the public library. If there is any discrepancy between the map and this ordinance, this ordinance shall govern.

SECTION FIVE: REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith, including Ord. No. 96-394, are hereby repealed.

SECTION SIX: EFFECTIVE

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication in pamphlet form as provided by law. A full true and complete copy of this ordinance shall be published in pamphlet form, but authority of the City Council as corporate authorities. The City Clerk is authorized and directed to file a certified copy of this Ordinance with the Cook County Clerk.

ADOPTED this 9th day of February, 2016, pursuant to a roll call vote as follows:

	YES	NO	ABSENT	PRESENT	ABSTAIN
Alderman Hawley	X				
Alderman Poulos	X				
Alderman Vieyra	X				
Alderman Bilotto	X				
Alderman Rita	X				
Alderman Donahue	X				
Alderman Carr	X				
Alderman Slattery	X				
Alderman Ostling	X				
Alderman Pittman	X				
Alderman Johnson	X				
Alderman Frausto	X				
Alderman Thompson	X				
Alderman Johanson	X				
Mayor Vargas					
TOTAL	14				

APPROVED by the Mayor on February 9, 2016.

Domingo F. Vargas
 MAYOR OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND,
 COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS

ATTESTED and Filed in my office this

9th day of February, 2016.

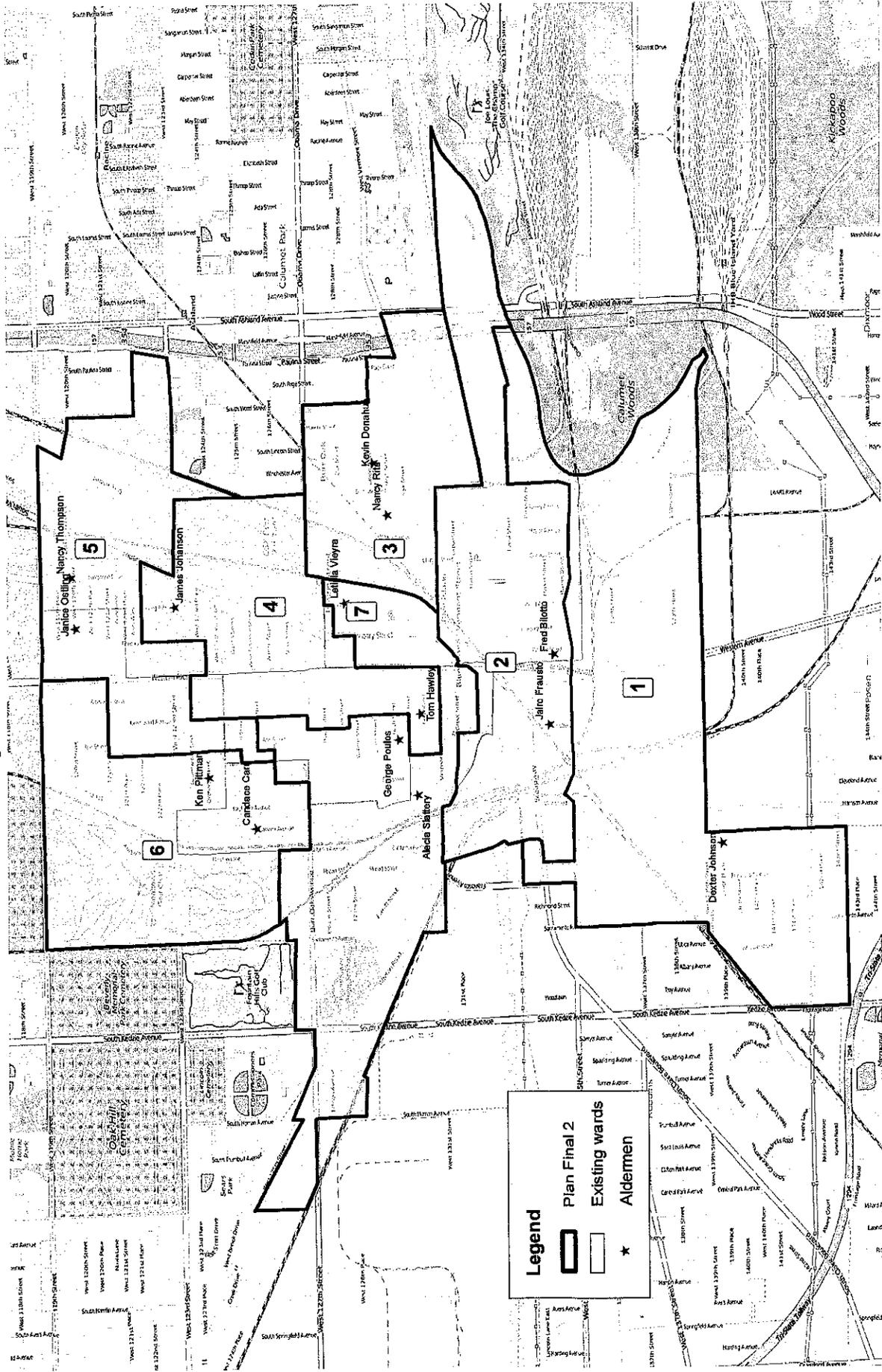
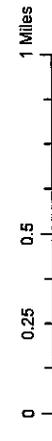
Randy Heuser
 CITY CLERK

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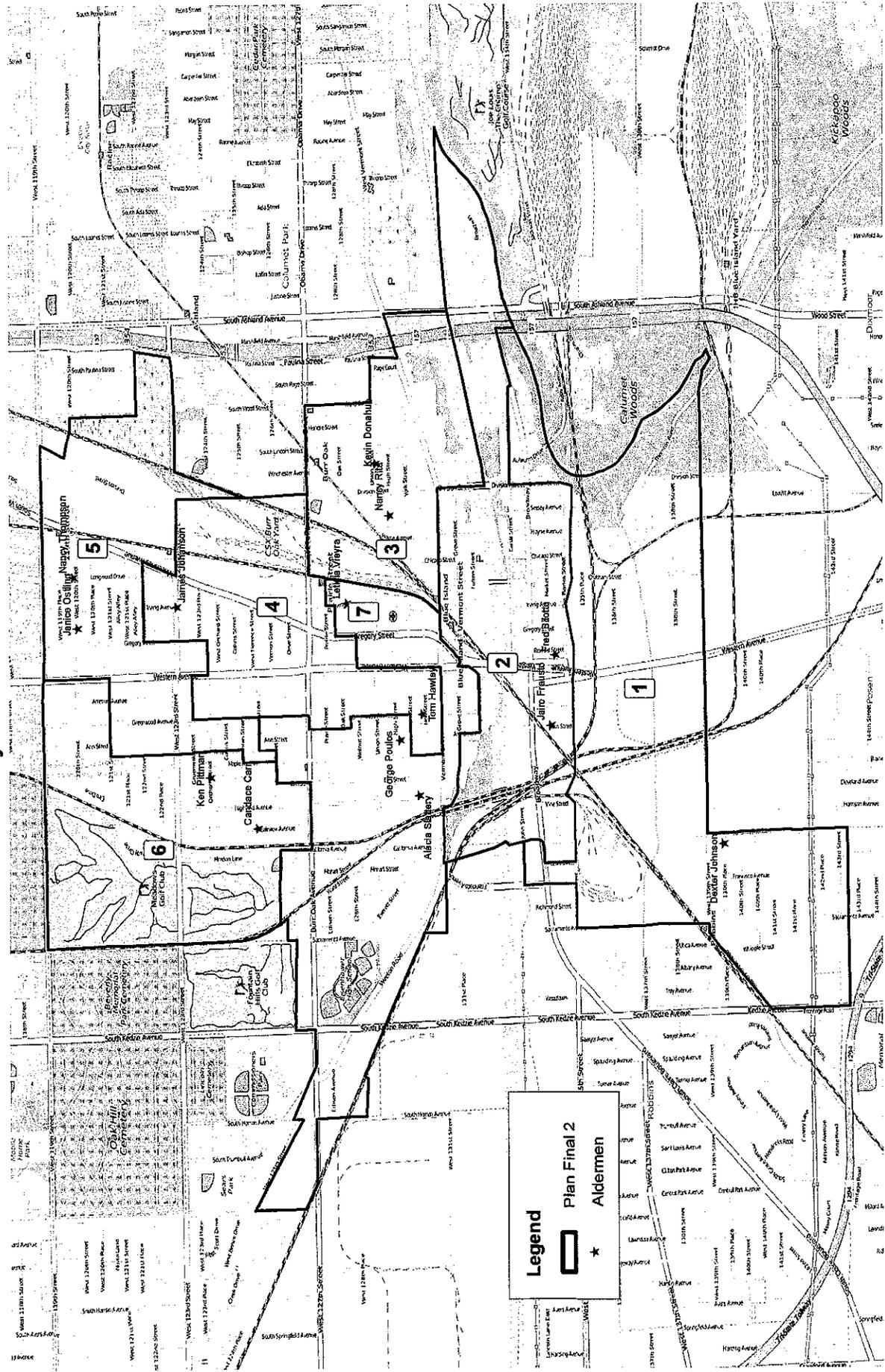
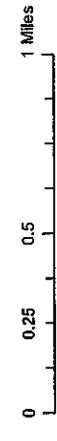
Plan Final 2 City of Blue Island



Legend

- Plan Final 2 (thick black outline)
- Existing wards (thin black outline)
- Aldermen (star symbol)

Plan Final 2 City of Blue Island



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COUNTY OF COOK) ss.

CERTIFICATE

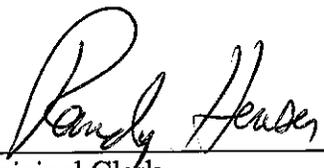
I, Randy Heuser, certify that I am the duly elected and acting Municipal Clerk of the City of Blue Island of Cook County, Illinois.

I further certify that on **February 9, 2016** the Corporate Authorities of such municipality passed and approved Ordinance No. **2016 - 003** entitled: **AN ORDINANCE REDISTRICTING THE WARDS OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.** Which provided by its terms that it should be published in pamphlet form.

The pamphlet form of Ordinance No. **2016 – 003** including the Ordinance and a cover sheet thereof, was prepared, and a copy of such Ordinance posted in the municipal building commencing on **February 9, 2016** and continuing for at least ten days thereafter. Copies of such Ordinance were also available for public inspection upon request in the office of the municipal clerk.

DATED at Blue Island, Illinois, this **9th** day of **February, 2016.**

(SEAL)



Municipal Clerk

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS
COUNTY OF COOK)

CERTIFICATION

I, RANDY HEUSER, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I am the duly elected City Clerk of the City of Blue Island, Illinois, and as such City Clerk, I am the keeper of the minutes and records of the Proceedings of the City Council of said City and have in my custody the ORDINANCES and BOOKS of the records of said City.

I DO FURTHER CERTIFY that the attached and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the certain **ORDINANCE: AN ORDINANCE REDISTRICTING THE WARDS OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.**

ORDINANCE NO. 2016 – 003 which was adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Blue Island, Illinois held on the **9th day of February, 2016**; that at said meeting **14** Aldermen were present; that at said meeting, on motion duly made and seconded that the Ordinance did pass and on the roll being called the vote of each Aldermen present on the question of the passage of said Ordinance was duly and separately taken by Ayes and Nays and their names and votes recorded in the minutes of the proceedings of said City Council; that it appears from such record that **14** Alderman voted Aye and **0** Alderman voted Nay and **0** Alderman voted Abstain and **0** Alderman Absent.

I DO FURTHER CERTIFY that the original Ordinance of which the foregoing is a true copy, is entrusted to my care for safe keeping, and that I am the lawful keeper of the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Corporate Seal of the **9th day of February, 2016.**

CORPORATE SEAL

CITY CLERK

CITY OF BLUE ISLAND FUTURE WARD MAP



- Legend**
- City Limits
 - Ward Boundaries
 - Water Features
 - Ward 1
 - Ward 2
 - Ward 3
 - Ward 4
 - Ward 5
 - Ward 6
 - Ward 7

