

## CITY OF PATASKALA

## **ORDINANCE 2022-4411**

Passed February 22, 2022

## AN ORDINANCE TO REDIVIDE WARDS WITHIN THE CITY OF PATASKALA, LICKING COUNTY, OHIO

WHEREAS, Section 3.03(A) of the Charter of the City of Pataskala provides "[u]pon the availability of the decennial census information from the federal government, the Council at the next regular meeting shall appoint a Commission consisting of seven (7) members \* \* \* to divide or redivide the City into four wards for the purpose of electing four ward council members at the next regular municipal election"; and

WHEREAS, at its October 20, 2021 meeting, Council for the City of Pataskala appointed seven individuals to serve on the 2021 Wards & Bounds Commission; and

WHEREAS, according to Section 3.03(A) of the Charter of the City of Pataskala, the Wards & Bounds Commission had six months to report its recommendation to Council; and

WHEREAS, the Wards & Bounds Commission met on November 10, 2021 and again on December 8, 2021. Following these discussions, the Commission recommends the City of Pataskala be redivided into the four wards depicted on the map attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, Section 3.03(A) of the Charter of the City of Pataskala provides the "Council and Mayor shall take all action necessary to implement the action of the Commission".

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PATASKALA, COUNTY OF LICKING, STATE OF OHIO, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS ELECTED OR APPOINTED THERETO CONCURRING:

Section 1: The City of Pataskala shall be re-divided into the four (4) wards that are shown, and more fully depicted, on the map attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

<u>Section 2:</u> The Clerk of Council of the City of Pataskala shall forward a copy of this Ordinance and the attached map to the Licking County Board of Elections once it takes effect.

<u>Section 3</u>: It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any decision-making bodies of the City that resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public and in compliance with all legal requirements.

<u>Section 4</u>: This Ordinance shall take effect at the earliest time allowed by the Charter of the City of Pataskala.

ATTEST:

Kathy M. Hoskinson, Clerk

Michael W. Compton, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Brian M. Zets, Law Director



