Title: Ordinance to Establish Legislative District Boundaries

Introduced by: The Council President on behalf of the Administration

Date: January 2, 2025 **Action:** Introduced; Referred to Government Operations Committee February 6, 2025 Government Operations Committee **Action:** Referred to Whole Council

Work Session for Review

February 13, 2025 Whole Council Work Session Action: Recommend Approval with Map

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February 20, 2025 Public Hearing Action: Approved

Summary: In accordance with Charter amendments passed in September 2024 and becoming effective December 1, 2024, Ordinance G-25-01 establishes the boundaries of five distinct legislative districts, from which Council members will be elected in the 2025 City election.

THE CITY OF FREDERICK CITY COUNCIL

ORDINANCE NO: G-25-01

AN ORDINANCE concerning

Legislative districts

FOR the purpose of establishing the boundaries of the City's legislative districts

BY adding

Chapter 7, Art. III

The Code of the City of Frederick, 1966 (as amended)

SECTION I. BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FREDERICK, That Chapter 7, Art. III of The Code of the City of Frederick, 1966 (as amended) be added to read as follows:

Art. III. LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS

Sec. 7-27. Authority and purpose. In all prior City elections including the 2021 election, the voters of the City of Frederick elected a five-member Board of Aldermen representing the City at large. As amended effective December 1, 2024, the Charter of the City of Frederick (Art. III) provides for the City to be divided by ordinance into five districts of approximately equal population in advance of the 2025 election. In such election, the voters of the City will elect a City Council consisting of seven members, two of whom will be elected at large and five of whom will be elected by the voters residing in a particular district. The purpose of this ordinance is to establish the boundaries of those districts.

Sec. 7-28. Adoption of district map. The map attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by this reference is hereby approved and adopted as the official legislative district map of the City and will be used in the 2025 City election and any future City regular or special election after that, until further amended. The map will be on file in the Office of the City Clerk and on the City's website.

SECTION II. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THE CITY OF FREDERICK, That this ordinance shall take effect on the date it is signed by the Mayor and all other ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance will as of that date be repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

PASSED:	DATE:
Katie Nash, City Council President	February 20, 2025
APPROVED:	DATE:
Michael C. O'Connor, Mayor	<u>February 24, 2025</u>
Approved for Legal Sufficiency:	
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City Attorney	

