

Town of Franklin

355 East Central Street
Franklin, Massachusetts 02038-1352



Phone: (508) 520-4949
www.franklinma.gov

OFFICE OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

October 15, 2021

To: Town Council
From: Jamie Hellen, Town Administrator
Alecia Alleyne, Assistant to the Town Administrator
RE: Resolution 21-59: Update of Town's Voting Precincts

This evening the Council will consider approving the reprecincting map that is required to send to the Local Elections Districts Review Commission (LEDRC) and the Secretary of the Commonwealth. With the new temporary law approved by the House of Representatives, Senate, and signed by Governor Baker this past week ([H 4118](#)), the Legislature has released proposed House and Senate legislative district maps for the next decade. The Council will be required to approve the local precinct maps.

The Acting Town Clerk, Nancy Danello, and GIS Coordinator, Kate Sjoberg, will be giving an in depth presentation on the 2020 federal census and the reprecincting and redistricting process. Due to the Town's population increasing 5%, the town will be required to add a 9th precinct.

Proposed maps are attached for the draft local precincts and the proposed changes in draft verbal form. We have also provided the current 2010 map. Kate Sjoberg will have sets of maps set up in various stations in the Council Chamber at the meeting.

We have also added the [new state legislative maps](#). Due to the file size of the files for the legislative maps, we have provided links to the Legislature's Redistricting website where the proposed statewide and district maps are located online.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Proposed Changes to Franklin Precincts

Precinct 1

Southern portion bounded by Main St, Dean Ave, Pleasant St, Norfolk/Franklin town line, Mill St, Chestnut St and the railroad was added. Northern portion bounded by Lincoln St, Brook St, Short St, Miller St, Longhill Rd, Pine Ridge Dr and Sherman Ave was removed added to Precinct 7.

Precinct 2

Northern portion bounded by Main St, Dean Ave, Pleasant St, Norfolk/Franklin town line, Mill St, Chestnut St and the railroad was removed and added to Precinct 1.

Precinct 3

Western portion (bounded by Washington St, Saxon St, I-495 and the railroad was removed and added to Precinct #9.

Precinct 4

Northern portion bounded by I-495, Washington St and King St was removed and added to Precinct #9. Additional northern portion bounded by Washington St, Spring St, the railroad, Grove St and Sheila Ln was removed and added to Precinct #9.

Precinct 5

Southern portion bounded by West Central St, I-495, Washington St, Shelia Ln, Grove St, the railroad and the Bellingham/Franklin town line was removed and added to Precinct 9. A northern portion bounded by the Bellingham/Franklin town line, the Charles River, Pond St and Plain St was added. A western portion bounded by Annabel Ln, Coronation Dr, Oakland Pkwy, Ashbury Dr, Norumbega Cir, Charles River Dr, Noanet Brook Ln, Indian Brook Ln, Charles River Dr, Oak St and Pond St was added.

Precinct 6

Southern portion bounded by West Central St, I-495 and the railroad was removed and added to Precinct #9. Northern portion bounded by Heritage Way, Downingwood Dr, Maple St, Franklin Springs Rd, Charles River Dr, Norumbega Cir, Ashbury Dr and Oakland Pkwy was added. Eastern portion bounded by Maple St, Lincoln St, Church St, Oak St, Angelo Way and Edmunds Way was added. Northern portion bounded by Noanet Brook Ln, Indian Brook Ln and Charles River Dr was added.

Precinct 7

Western portion bounded by Annabel Ln, Coronation Dr, Oakland Pkwy, Ashbury Dr, Norumbega Cir, Charles River Dr, Noanet Brook Ln, Indian Brook Ln, Charles River Dr, Oak St and Pond St was removed and added to Precinct #5. Southern portion bounded by Franklin Springs Rd, Maple St, Heritage Way, Downingwood Dr, Oakland Pkwy, Ashbury Dr, Norumbega Cir, Charles River Dr was removed and added to Precinct 6. A southern portion bounded by Charles River Dr, Noanet Brook Ln and Indian Brook Ln was removed and added to Precinct 6. An eastern portion bounded by Lincoln St, Brook St, Short St, Miller St, Longhill Rd, Pine Ridge Dr and Sherman Ave was added. A small northern portion bounded by Lincoln St, Winterberry Dr and an invisible boundary was added.

Precinct 8

A small southern portion bounded by Lincoln St, Winterberry Dr and an invisible boundary was removed and added to Precinct 7. A northern portion bounded by Pond St, Plain St, the Bellingham/Franklin town line and the Charles River was removed and added to Precinct 5.

Precinct 9

A proposed new precinct bounded by West Central St, the railroad, Saxon St, Washington St, I-495, King St, Washington St, Spring St, the railroad, and the Bellingham/Franklin town line.



**TOWN OF FRANKLIN
RESOLUTION 21-59**

UPDATE OF TOWN'S VOTING PRECINCTS

WHEREAS, G.L. Chapter 54, Section 1 requires a municipality to update its voting precincts every ten years.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Franklin, acting by and through its Town Council, hereby adopts the "Town of Franklin Re-Precincting Plan - October 20, 2021", attached hereto as "Exhibit A", which establishes and delineates nine (9) voting precincts for the Town of Franklin, together with the map captioned "Town of Franklin" attached hereto as "Exhibit B", which depicts said voting precincts and their boundaries.

This resolution shall become effective according to the provisions of the Town of Franklin Home Charter.

DATED: _____, 2021

VOTED: _____

UNANIMOUS: _____

A TRUE RECORD ATTEST:

YES: _____ **NO:** _____

ABSTAIN: _____ **ABSENT:** _____

RECUSED: _____

**Nancy Danello, CMC
Temporary Town Clerk**

**Glenn Jones, Clerk
Franklin Town Council**

EXHIBIT A
Town of Franklin Re-Precincting Plan
October 20, 2021

Franklin Precinct 1

All of that portion of Norfolk County bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of Main St and Conrail RR, and proceeding northerly along Main St to Lincoln St, and proceeding northerly along Lincoln St to Sherman Ave, and proceeding easterly along Sherman Ave to Pine Ridge Dr, and proceeding northerly along Pine Ridge Dr to Mackintosh St, and proceeding easterly along Mackintosh St to Pine Ridge Dr, and proceeding easterly along Pine Ridge Dr to Longhill Rd, and proceeding easterly along Longhill Rd to Miller St, and proceeding northerly along Miller St to Short St, and proceeding northerly along Short St to Daniels St, and proceeding easterly along Daniels St to Julie Dawn Dr, and proceeding northerly along Julie Dawn Dr to Denise Dr, and proceeding easterly along Denise Dr to Miller St, and proceeding northerly along Miller St to the Norfolk/Franklin Town town/city line, and proceeding southerly along the Norfolk/Franklin Town town/city line to Mill St, and proceeding westerly along Mill St to Chestnut St, and proceeding northerly along Chestnut St to Conrail RR, and proceeding westerly along Conrail RR to the point of beginning.

Franklin Precinct 2

All of that portion of Norfolk County bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of Conrail RR and Main St, and proceeding easterly along Conrail RR to Chestnut St, and proceeding southerly along Chestnut St to Mill St, and proceeding easterly along Mill St to the Norfolk/Franklin Town town/city line, and proceeding southerly along the Norfolk/Franklin Town town/city line to the Wrentham/Franklin Town town/city line, and proceeding southerly along the Wrentham/Franklin Town town/city line to E Central St, and proceeding westerly along E Central St to Main St, and proceeding westerly along Main St to the point of beginning.

Franklin Precinct 3

All of that portion of Norfolk County bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of Washington St and I- 495, and proceeding northerly along Washington St to Saxon St, and proceeding northerly along Saxon St to Conrail RR, and proceeding easterly along Conrail RR to E Central St, and proceeding easterly along E Central St to the Wrentham/Franklin Town town/city line, and proceeding southerly along the Wrentham/Franklin Town town/city line to I- 495, and proceeding westerly along I- 495 to the point of beginning.

Franklin Precinct 4

All of that portion of Norfolk County bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of the Bellingham/Franklin Town town/city line and the Wrentham/Franklin Town town/city line, and proceeding northerly along the Bellingham/Franklin Town town/city line to Conrail RR, and proceeding easterly along Conrail RR to Spring St, and proceeding southerly along Spring St to Washington St, and proceeding easterly along Washington St to King St, and proceeding easterly along King St to I- 495, and proceeding easterly along I- 495 to the Wrentham/Franklin Town town/city line,

and proceeding southerly and westerly along the Wrentham/Franklin Town town/city line to the point of beginning.

Franklin Precinct 5

All of that portion of Norfolk County bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of the Bellingham/Franklin Town town/city line and W Central St, and proceeding northerly along the Bellingham/Franklin Town town/city line to Charles River shoreline, and proceeding northeasterly along Charles River shoreline to Pond St, and proceeding southerly along Pond St to Annabel Ln, and proceeding easterly along Annabel Ln to Coronation Dr, and proceeding southerly along Coronation Dr to Oakland Pkwy, and proceeding easterly along Oakland Pkwy to Ashbury Dr, and proceeding easterly along Ashbury Dr to Norumbega Cir, and proceeding southerly along Norumbega Cir to Charles River Dr, and proceeding westerly along Charles River Dr to Noanet Brook Ln, and proceeding westerly along Noanet Brook Ln to Indian Brook Ln, and proceeding easterly along Indian Brook Ln to Charles River Dr, and proceeding southerly along Charles River Dr to Oak St, and proceeding westerly along Oak St to Pond St, and proceeding southerly along Pond St to the intersection of Pond St and Old West Central St and proceeding southerly along a sidewalk to W Central St and proceeding westerly along W Central St to I- 495, and proceeding southerly along I- 495 to State Rte 140, and proceeding westerly along State Rte 140 to I- 495, and proceeding northerly along I- 495 to W Central St, and proceeding westerly along W Central St to Grove St, and proceeding southerly along Grove St to State Rte 140, and proceeding westerly along State Rte 140 to W Central St, and proceeding westerly along W Central St to Mechanic St, and proceeding westerly along Mechanic St to the point of beginning.

Franklin Precinct 6

All of that portion of Norfolk County bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of Oak St and Pond St, and proceeding easterly along Oak St to Charles River Dr, and proceeding northerly along Charles River Dr to Indian Brook Ln, and proceeding westerly along Indian Brook Ln to Noanet Brook Ln, and proceeding easterly along Noanet Brook Ln to Charles River Dr, and proceeding westerly and northerly along Charles River Dr to Norumbega Cir, and proceeding northerly along Norumbega Cir to Ashbury Dr, and proceeding westerly along Ashbury Dr to Oakland Pkwy, and proceeding easterly along Oakland Pkwy to Downingwood Dr, and proceeding northerly along Downingwood Dr to Heritage Way, and proceeding easterly along Heritage Way to Maple St, and proceeding southerly along Maple St to Main St, and proceeding southerly along Main St to E Central St, and proceeding westerly along E Central St to W Central St, and proceeding westerly along W Central St to State Rte 140, and proceeding westerly along State Rte 140 to Franklin Village Dr, and proceeding northerly along Franklin Village Dr to W Central St, and proceeding westerly along W Central St to a sidewalk, and proceeding northerly along sidewalk to the intersection of Pond St and Old West Central St, and proceeding northerly along Pond St to the point of beginning.

Franklin Precinct 7

All of that portion of Norfolk County bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of Pond St and Annabel Ln, and proceeding northerly along Pond St to Partridge St, and proceeding easterly along Partridge St to Dover Cir, and proceeding southerly along Dover Cir to Newell Dr, and proceeding southerly along Newell Dr to Cranberry Dr, and proceeding easterly along Cranberry Dr to Winterberry Dr, and proceeding easterly along Winterberry Dr to Lincoln St, and proceeding southerly along Lincoln St to Brook St, and proceeding easterly along Brook St to Short St, and

proceeding southerly along Short St to Miller St, and proceeding southerly along Miller St to Longhill Rd, and proceeding westerly along Longhill Rd to Pine Ridge Dr, and proceeding westerly along Pine Ridge Dr to Mackintosh St, and proceeding southerly and westerly along Mackintosh St to Pine Ridge Dr, and proceeding southerly along Pine Ridge Dr to Sherman Ave, and proceeding westerly along Sherman Ave to Lincoln St, and proceeding southerly along Lincoln St to Maple St, and proceeding northerly along Maple St to Heritage Way, and proceeding westerly along Heritage Way to Downingwood Dr, and proceeding southerly along Downingwood Dr to Oakland Pkwy, and proceeding westerly along Oakland Pkwy to Coronation Dr, and proceeding northerly along Coronation Dr to Annabel Ln, and proceeding westerly along Annabel Ln to the point of beginning.

Franklin Precinct 8

All of that portion of Norfolk County bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of Pond St/Franklin Town town/city line and the Charles River shoreline, and proceeding easterly along the Medway/Franklin Town town/city line to the Norfolk/Franklin Town town/city line, and proceeding southerly along the Norfolk/Franklin Town town/city line to Miller St, and proceeding southerly along Miller St to Denise Dr, and proceeding westerly along Denise Dr to Julie Dawn Dr, and proceeding southerly along Julie Dawn Dr to Daniels St, and proceeding westerly along Daniels St to Short St, and proceeding southerly along Short St to Brook St, and proceeding westerly along Brook St to Lincoln St, and proceeding northerly along Lincoln St to Winterberry Dr, and proceeding westerly along Winterberry Dr to Cranberry Dr, and proceeding westerly along Cranberry Dr to Newell Dr, and proceeding northerly along Newell Dr to Dover Cir, and proceeding northerly along Dover Cir to Partridge St, and proceeding westerly along Partridge St to Pond St, and proceeding northerly along Pond St to the Charles River shoreline to the point of beginning.

Franklin Precinct 9

All of that portion of Norfolk County bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the point of intersection of the Bellingham/Franklin Town town/city line and Conrail RR, and proceeding northerly along the Bellingham/Franklin Town town/city line to W Central St, and proceeding easterly along W Central St to State Rte 140, and proceeding easterly along State Rte 140 to Grove St, and proceeding northerly along Grove St to W Central St, and proceeding easterly along W Central St to I- 495, and proceeding southerly along I- 495 to State Rte 140, and proceeding easterly along State Rte 140 to I- 495, and proceeding northerly along I- 495 to W Central St, and proceeding easterly along W Central St to Franklin Village Dr, and proceeding southerly along Franklin Village Dr to State Rte 140, and proceeding easterly along State Rte 140 to W Central St, and proceeding easterly along W Central St to Conrail RR, and proceeding westerly along Conrail RR to to Saxon St, and proceeding southerly along Saxon St to Washington St, and proceeding westerly along Washington St to I- 495, and proceeding easterly along I- 495 to King St, and proceeding southerly along King St to Washington St, and proceeding westerly along Washington St to Spring St, and proceeding westerly along Spring St to Conrail RR, and proceeding westerly along Conrail RR to the point of beginning.