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INFORMATION ON PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Title

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Section 2-2-10 (ESTABLISHMENT OF ELECTION DISTRICTS AND VOTING PLACES) by amending Subsections (a) and (n) and adding Subsections (ee) and (ff), all of Chapter 2 (ELECTIONS), Title 2 (GENERAL GOVERNMENT) of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, to amend and reordain Section 12-1-4 (ELECTION OF SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS; DATE AND MANNER OF ELECTION), all of Chapter 1 (SCHOOL DISTRICT AND SCHOOL BOARD), Title 12 (EDUCATION, SOCIAL SERVICES AND WELFARE) of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, and to amend and reordain “The Official Map of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, Designating Election Districts and Voting Places,” adopted by Section 2-2-13 (MAP OF ELECTION DISTRICTS AND VOTING PLACES), all of Chapter 2 (ELECTIONS), Title 2 (GENERAL GOVERNMENT) of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended.

Summary

The proposed ordinance renames the Ladrey Senior Building election district and makes permanent its polling place move to the Charles Houston polling place, and creates two new districts in the City’s west side to reduce the size of the election districts. As the two new districts are wholly contained in their old districts, there is no change in representation, for any voter based on the two new, proposed election districts. Finally the proposed ordinance adds the new districts and renamed district to the list of districts comprising the appropriate school board district.

Sponsor

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Authority

Alexandria City Charter Sec. 2.01; Va. Code §§24.2-310, 24.2-307 (1950 as amended)

Estimated Costs of Implementation

If City Council and the Office of the Attorney General approve this ordinance, the Electoral Board will send new voter cards by first class mail to all affected voters which will cost approximately \$8,000, and additional staffing at a cost of \$6,600, both of which can be accommodated within the budget of the Office of Voter Registration & Elections.

Additionally, beginning in FY 2024, the Electoral Board will need to staff the two new polling places with election officers for each primary, general, and/or special election at a cost of approximately \$2,000 per election. Finally, the Electoral Board must purchase new voting machines for the two new precincts in FY 2024, at an approximate cost of \$25,000, and electronic pollbooks at a cost of \$8,000.

Attachments in Addition to Proposed Ordinance and its Attachments (if any)

None