

**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA** )

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE  
PROCESS FOR 2020  
REDISTRICTING**

**COUNTY OF LEXINGTON** )

WHEREAS, the data for the 2020 Census pertaining to Cayce, South Carolina has been released for review, assessment, and redistricting of City districts in the City of Cayce; and

WHEREAS, to ensure maximum review and public participation in developing redistricting plans based on the 2020 Census, the City of Cayce Council deems it necessary to publicly adopt criteria for the development of a redistricting plan in accordance with the 1965 Voting Rights Act as amended; and

WHEREAS, the following criteria for developing plans for redistricting 2020 will ensure compliance with the 1965 Voting Rights Act as amended and maximum public participation in the redistricting process:

1. The City will adhere to the court ordered constitutional requirement of "one person, one vote."
2. The City will adhere to the 1965 Voting Rights Act as amended and by associated controlling court decisions.
3. The City will ensure that districts are drawn contiguously, so that all parts of the district are connected to each other.
4. The City will ensure districts are drawn to minimize the division of voting precincts.
5. The City will keep proposed districts geographically compact to the extent practicable, such that nearby areas of population are not bypassed for a more distant population.
6. The City will ensure the districts are drawn, when feasible, with respect to existing districts and communities of interests, which will require input from Council and citizens.
7. The City will comply with other applicable court decisions and federal and state laws.
8. The City will solicit public comment and input as part of the development, review, and adoption process.
9. The City will adhere to the recommendations of the South Carolina Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office of adopting a plan with a population variance of five percent (5%) or less; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cayce commits to developing a plan which will not have the purpose nor the effect of diluting any existing minority voting strength as part of its redistricting efforts so long as such commitment does not impact the City's ability to comply with the constitutional principles outlined above; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cayce expects the next steps to include receipt of a baseline map prepared by the South Carolina Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office; public review and input of the baseline map; City Council review of baseline map; potential revisions; and Council adoption.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Cayce, in Council, duly assembled, that the above listed criteria for the 2020 Census Redistricting criteria and associated processes are hereby adopted to ensure maximum public participation, transparency, and engagement in the redistricting process.

APPROVED this 7 day of March, 2023.

  
Elise Partin, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Mendy C. Corder, Municipal Clerk