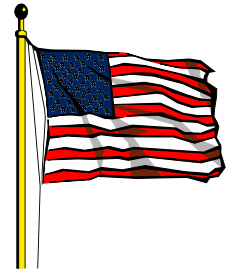




LUCY MARTIN
Story County Auditor
and
Commissioner of Elections



TO: Diane Voss
FROM: Lucy Martin
DATE: October 7, 2011
RE: Agreement to combine unincorporated federal census blocks with Ames precincts

The Secretary of State's Office (SOS) has completed its preliminary review of the County's reprecincting plan. However, before it can be accepted, certain federal census blocks must be assigned to contiguous precincts.

There are three areas on the borders of Ames where unincorporated census blocks are not contiguous with the rural township. I have attached maps. By law, precincts must be composed of contiguous territory within a single county [§49.3(3)].

Therefore, the County is requesting that Ames and Story County mutually agree to combine the following incorporated and unincorporated territory into joint precincts. City precincts are those as defined by City of Ames Municipal Code, Ordinance No. 4084:

- Block 191690001004085 in Grant Township to be combined with Ames Precinct 1-3. This census block has a population of (4).
- Block 191690013021076 in Washington Township to be combined with Ames Precinct 3-1. This census block has a population of (7). These residents were similarly assigned to Ames 3-5 following the 2000 census.
- Blocks 191690006001040, -1041, -1036, and -1038 in Washington Township to be combined with Ames Precinct 3-5. These census blocks have a total population of (15).

The requested combination is only for the purpose of assigning these voters to a contiguous precinct. These rural residents will have a separate ballot for General elections. They are not eligible for City elections.

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Memorandum of Agreement

The parties to this agreement are the City of Ames, Iowa ("City"), and Story County, Iowa ("County"). This agreement is entered into as of October _____, 2011.

WHEREAS:

Following the federal decennial census, and after the redistricting of congressional and legislative districts, city councils and county boards of supervisors are required to complete any changes in precinct and ward boundaries.

Cities and counties are required to use federal census block information when defining precincts and wards for the purposes of redistricting.

The following unincorporated federal census blocks are not contiguous with their rural townships:

- Block 191690001004085 in Grant Township to be combined with Ames Precinct 1-3
- Block 191690013021076 in Washington Township to be combined with Ames Precinct 3-1
- Blocks 191690006001040, -1041, -1036, and -1038 in Washington Township to be combined with Ames Precinct 3-5

The City and the County agree to combine census Block 191690001004085 and Ames Precinct 1-3 as defined by City of Ames Municipal Code, Ordinance No. 4084 into one precinct, namely Ames First Ward, Precinct No. 3.

The City and the County agree to combine census Block 191690013021076 and Ames Precinct 3-1 as defined by City of Ames Municipal Code, Ordinance No. 4084 into one precinct, namely Ames Third Ward, Precinct No. 1.

The City and the County agree to combine census Blocks 191690006001040, -1041, -1036, and -1038 and Ames Precinct 3-5 as defined by City of Ames Municipal Code, Ordinance No. 4084 into one precinct, namely Ames Third Ward, Precinct No. 5.

Dated this ____ of October, 2011.

City of Ames, Iowa

By _____
Ann Campbell, Mayor
Mayor

Attest:

Diane Voss, City Clerk

Dated this ____ of October, 2011.

County of Story, Iowa

By _____
Wayne E. Clinton, Chair
Board of Supervisors

Attest:

Lucy Martin, Auditor