

Albemarle County

Legislation Text

File #: 18-421, Version: 1

AGENDA DATE: 8/1/2018

TITLE:

Ordinance Amendment - Administration; Elections; Jack Jouett Magisterial District; University Hall Precinct - Change of Precinct Name and Polling Place Location

SUBJECT/PROPOSAL/REQUEST: Public hearing to consider an ordinance to change the name of the "University Hall" precinct to the "University" precinct in the Jack Jouett Magisterial District, and to establish the University of Virginia Slaughter Recreational Center as the new polling place for the University Precinct

ITEM TYPE: Regular Action Item

STAFF CONTACT(S): Richardson, Walker, Kamptner, Blair, Washburne, Schermerhorn

PRESENTER (S): Peter Wurzer, Electoral Board Chair; Bill Love, Electoral Board Vice-Chair; James Heilman, Electoral Board Secretary; Jake Washburne, Registrar; Clarice Schermerhorn, Electoral Manager

LEGAL REVIEW: Yes

REVIEWED BY: Jeffrey B. Richardson

BACKGROUND: Virginia Code § 24.2-307 requires that the Board of Supervisors establish voting precincts and polling places by ordinance. Albemarle County Code § 2-101(B)(3) establishes the University Hall precinct in the Jack Jouett Magisterial District, and Albemarle County Code § 2-101(C)(3) establishes University Hall, located at 300 Massie Road, as the polling place for the University Hall Precinct. University Hall is being torn down, and can no longer serve as the polling place for the University Hall Precinct polling place after the June 12, 2018 primary election.

STRATEGIC PLAN: Quality Government Operations: Ensure County government's capacity to provide high quality service that achieves community priorities.

DISCUSSION: The Albemarle County Electoral Board investigated alternative polling place locations for the University Hall Precinct, as well as alternative names for the University Hall Precinct because the building from which the precinct takes its name is to be torn down.

The Electoral Board recommends that the University Hall Precinct be renamed the University Precinct, and that the polling place be relocated to the Slaughter Recreation Center, located at 505 Edgemont Road, Charlottesville, VA 22904. The University of Virginia has agreed to have the Slaughter Recreational Center serve as a polling place. The attached map (Attachment A) shows the former University Hall polling place location and the proposed new Slaughter Recreation Center polling place location.

The County Attorney has prepared the attached proposed ordinance (Attachment B) to reflect this precinct name change and polling place change.

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BUDGET IMPACT: The adoption of the proposed ordinance will have no budget impact.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board adopt the attached proposed ordinance (Attachment B).

ATTACHMENTS:

A - Map

B - Proposed Ordinance