



**King County**

Department of Elections  
Julie Wise, Director

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April 16, 2024

The Honorable Dave Upthegrove  
Chair, King County Council  
Room 1200  
C O U R T H O U S E

*Sent via Email*

Dear Councilmember Upthegrove:

Enclosed is a proposed ordinance to approve descriptive changes to the electoral districts of the King County district court. The proposed ordinance is due to the U.S. District Court in the Western District (*Soto Palmer et al v. Hobbs et al*) order that the Secretary of State is to conduct future elections according to Remedial Map 3B. In King County, Legislative Districts 5, 12, and 31 are impacted by these new lines including 31 precincts that change precinct names.

It's important to note that the precinct boundaries themselves are not changing. Instead, precincts are moving from one district to another. In many cases, that requires a name change to the precinct as well, as legislative district numbers are included in precinct names (e.g. ENM 31-0409 is changing to ENM 05-0409). With these precinct name changes we need to submit a new district court ordinance for 2024.

Pursuant to K.C.C. 1.12.010.F, voting precinct revisions shall be accompanied by an updated description of King County district court electoral districts, even when the boundaries of the district court, as now, remain unchanged.

I appreciate your attention to this legislation. Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions.

Sincerely,

Julie Wise, Director

Enclosures

cc: King County Council Members  
ATTN: Stephanie Cirkovich, Chief of Staff  
Melani Pedroza, Clerk of the Council  
Dow Constantine, King County Executive