



Whatcom County

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Agenda Bill Master Report

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TITLE FOR AGENDA ITEM:

Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code Section 1.14, adjusting Precinct Boundary Lines and Precinct Maps

SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE:

Changes are needed to correct specific precinct boundary lines on specific map pages in the “Book of Election Precinct Maps” referred to in Whatcom County Code Section 1.14. The precinct boundary line adjustments are due to annexations in the City of Nooksack affecting Precinct 147 (Exhibit B) and creating Precinct 702 (Exhibit C), as summarized on Exhibit A. If approved the maps will be added and substituted for the designated maps and the new “Book of Election Precinct Maps” will be adopted by reference and will be available through the Whatcom County Council Office and online at the Whatcom County Auditor’s website searching Elections then Districts & Maps.

HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE FILE

Date:	Acting Body:	Action:	Sent To:
11/10/2020	Council	INTRODUCED FOR PUBLIC HEARING	Council
		Aye: 6 Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Frazey, and Kershner	
		Nay: 1 Elenbaas	
		Absent: 0	
11/24/2020	Council	ADOPTED	
		Aye: 7 Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Frazey, Elenbaas, and Kershner	
		Nay: 0	

Absent: 0

Attachments: Agenda Bill Master Report, Ordinance, Precinct map exhibits

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-060

AMENDING WHATCOM COUNTY CODE SECTION 1.14, ELECTORAL PRECINCTS, FOR CHANGES IN CERTAIN VOTING PRECINCT BOUNDARIES IN WHATCOM COUNTY

WHEREAS, we have been notified that two precinct boundary line adjustments in Whatcom County Code Section 1.14 are needed due to annexations in the City of Nooksack adopted October 7, 2019 affecting Precinct 147 (Exhibit B) and creating Precinct 702 (Exhibit C), as summarized on Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, RCW 29A.16.040 requires the county legislative authority of each county in the state to divide the county into election precincts and establish the boundaries of the precincts; and

WHEREAS, RCW 29A.16.040 further provides that no precinct boundary changes may be made starting fourteen (14) days prior to the first day candidates may file for the primary election through the period ending with the general election; and

WHEREAS, the first day for candidates to file this year is the 11th day of May, 2020, and

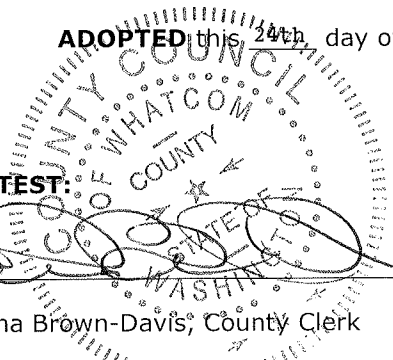
WHEREAS, the affected Precinct 147 and new Precinct 702 will result in a necessary change to the "Book of Election Precinct Maps" previously adopted effective April 22, 2019; and

WHEREAS, RCW 29A.76.030 provides the County Auditor shall transfer and notify any registered voters that may be affected by the change in boundaries.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Whatcom County Council that the change to the "Book of Election Precinct Maps," affecting Precinct 147 and creating Precinct 702 shall be adopted and substituted into the "Book of Election Precinct Maps;" said revised Book of Maps is available through the Whatcom County Council Office and online through the Election page at the Whatcom County Auditor's Office homepage.

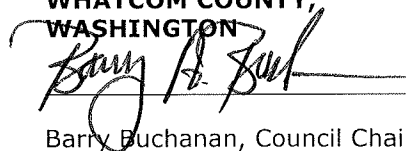
ADOPTED this 24th day of November, 2020.

ATTEST:



Dana Brown-Davis, County Clerk

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY,
WASHINGTON

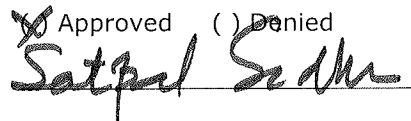


Barry Buchanan, Council Chair

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Royce Buckingham approved by email 10/8/2020

Royce Buckingham, Civil Deputy Prosecutor

Approved Denied


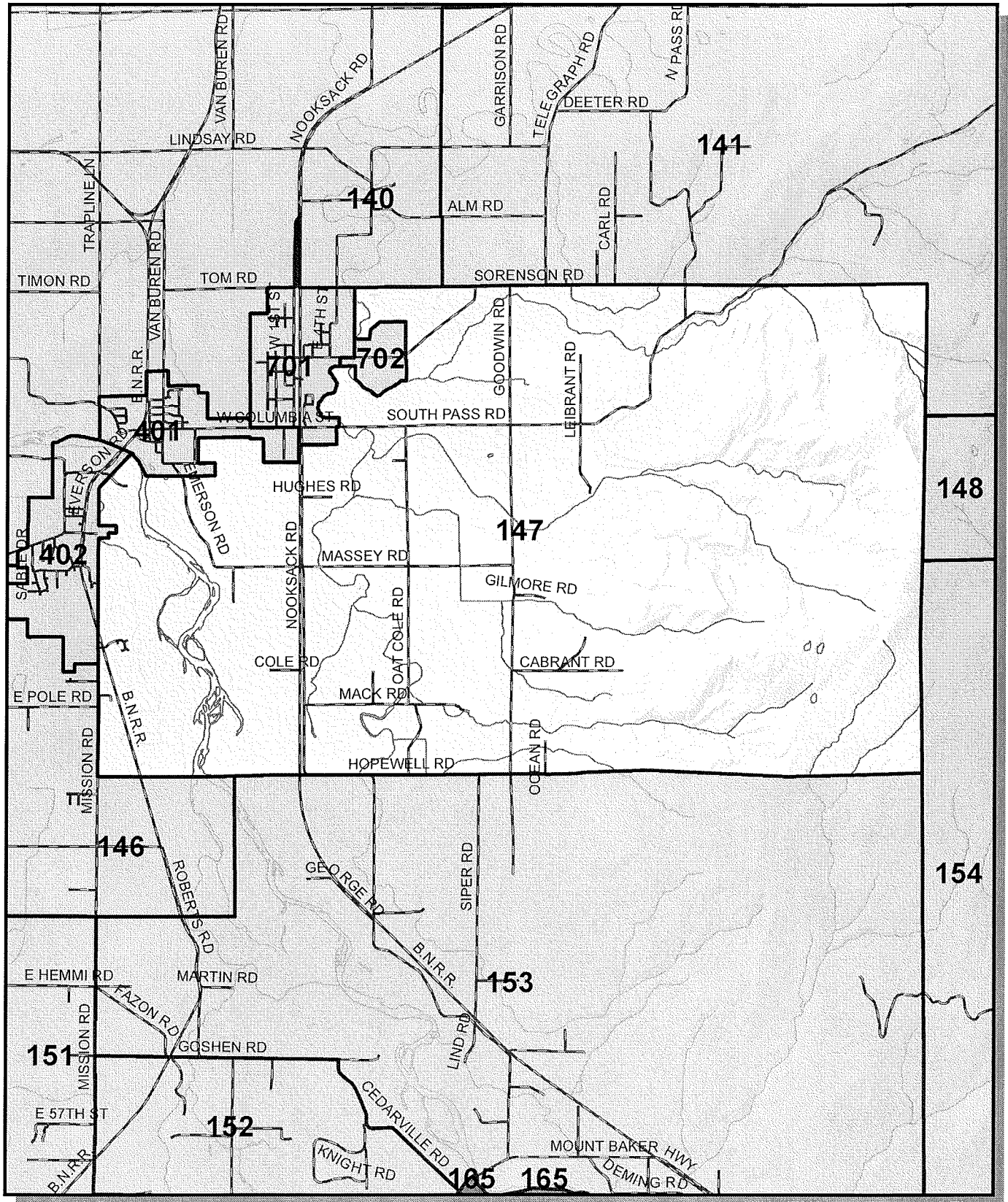
Satpal Sidhu, County Executive

Date: 11/30/2020

Exhibit A

Precinct	Reason
147	Precinct affected due to City of Nooksack Annexation
702	New Precinct created due to City of Nooksack Annexation

Exhibit B

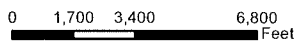


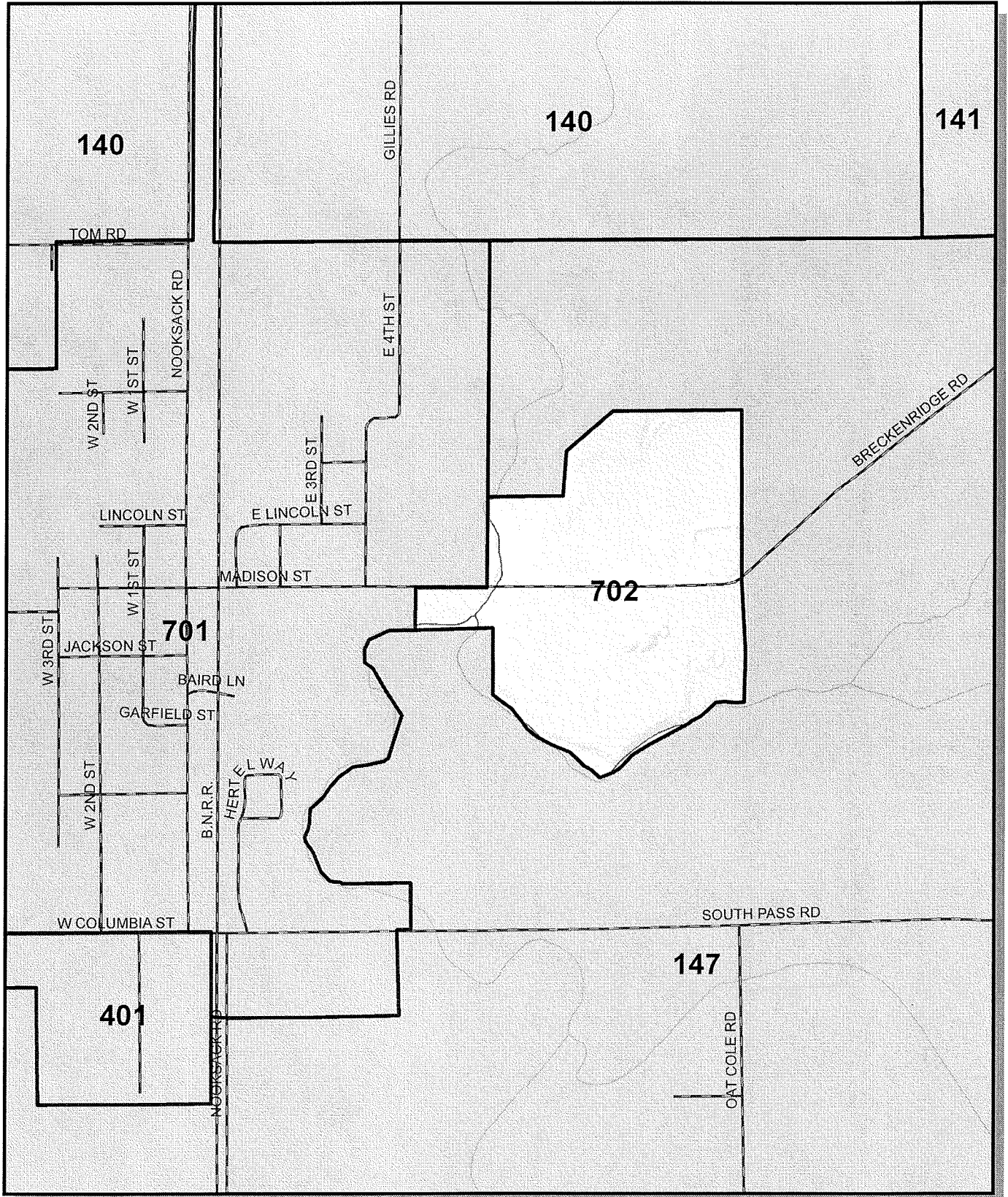
Whatcom County Precinct 147

County Council District 3
 Legislative District 42
 Congressional District 1

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Whatcom County Precinct 702

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