

ORDINANCE NO: 2021-04
CITY OF COTTER, ARKANSAS

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF COTTER, ARKANSAS AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 1997-07, BY REDEFINING THE BOUNDARIES OF THE EXISTING THREE WARDS BASE ON THE 2020 CENSUS.

WHEREAS, In accordance with Arkansas Law 14-44-102. Redistricting of wards, the City Council of the City of Cotter, State of Arkansas does hereby amend the ward boundaries contained in this report. Each section includes population and demographic figures associated with the ward that is described based upon the data contained in the U.S. Public Law 94-171* from the United State Census Bureau for Census of Population of 2020.

WHEREAS, Section 19-113, Arkansas Statutes provides that all Cities of the Second Class shall be formed into Wards, and the population distribution of the City of Cotter has changed so that the Wards no longer contain equal number of electors.

WHEREAS, Each row of the report lists the unique numeric identification code assigned by the U.S. Census Bureau for the geographic unit contained therein. These unique areas represent Counties, Voting Tabulation Districts, and blocks that together compose the geographic territory of the ward. This listing serves as the written legal description of the Wards in the City of Cotter.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COTTER, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1: Ordinance includes letter From Jennifer Wheeler, Sr. GIS Analyst with Arkansas Department of Transformation and Shared Services, dated December 1, 2021, explaining the allocation Method to split a portion of Block 0500595002001 and its population allocated from Ward 2 into Ward 3. See attached letter dated December 1, 2021, and Census Block Report.

SECTION 2: The BOUNDARIES of the three Wards of said city shall be as follows pursuant to attached Exhibit 1, 2, 3 and 4:

Exhibit 1 - City of Cotter Map and Population Total of 886 for Wards No: 1, 2, and 3.

Exhibit 2 - Ward 1 Map and Population Total of 298.

Exhibit 3 - Ward 2 Map and Population Total of 287.

Exhibit 4 – Ward 3 Map and Population Total of 301.

SECTION 3: All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4: The enactment of this ordinance being necessary so the next election can be held in accordance with State statutes, and for the public peace and welfare, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

Adopted this the ____ day of _____, 2021 by City Council of Cotter, Arkansas

APPROVED: _____

McGeorge Caradine, Mayor

ATTEST: _____

Andrea Kray, Recorder/Treasurer