

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-01-01

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TONKAWA, OKLAHOMA AMENDING THE WARD BOUNDARIES FOR THE FOUR (4) WARDS OF THE CITY OF TONKAWA; REPEALING ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

**WHEREAS,** the City of Tonkawa, has previously caused Ordinance Article 2, Section 1-202 “Ward Boundaries,” to be in effect. and

**WHEREAS,** Pursuant to Title 11 O.S. §20-101, the City of Tonkawa as soon as practicable after each federal census is required to review the wards and ward boundaries of the City and the City Council shall change the boundaries of the wards in a manner so that the wards are formed of compact and contiguous territory and are substantially equal in population. and

**WHEREAS,** A federal census having been conducted in 2020 and the results of said census having been provided to the City of Tonkawa and that said census has caused the need for a change to the ward boundaries in order to comply with the requirements of Title 11 O.S. §20-101. and

**WHEREAS,** The City of Tonkawa desires to redefine the boundaries of the Wards within its city limits so that each Ward will be substantially equal in population.

**WHEREAS,** Article 2, Section 1-202, “Ward Boundaries” of the TONKAWA MUNICIPAL CODE, 2021, shall be amended to read as follows:

The four (4) wards of the city shall consist of the territory located within the city limits and containing the territory described as follows:

1. Ward One (1) consists of that portion of the city limits enclosed with the following described boundaries: Starting at the centerline of Grand Avenue at the intersection of the centerline of 9<sup>th</sup> Street, thence North to the centerline of North Avenue, thence East to the Old Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway line, thence following the centerline of the ATSF Railway line to the Northeast to the city limits; thence East to the city limits, thence South to the centerline of Grand Avenue, thence West along the centerline of Grand Avenue to the Point of Beginning.
2. Ward Two (2) consists of that portion of the city limits enclosed with the following described boundaries: Starting at the centerline of North Avenue at the intersection of the centerline of 9<sup>th</sup> Street, thence North along the centerline of Ninth Street to the intersection of the centerline of Congress Avenue, thence East along the centerline of Congress Avenue to the intersection of the

centerline of Main Street, thence North along said centerline of Main Street to city limits, thence East to the city limits, thence South along said city limits to the intersection with the centerline of the old ATSF Railway line, thence Southwest along said centerline of the old ATSF Railway line to the centerline of North Avenue, thence West to the Point of Beginning.

3. Ward Three (3) consists of that portion of the city limits enclosed with the following described boundaries: All of that part of the city lying West of Main Street and West of a line which shall begin at the South city limits of the city and extend North to the North city limits of the city and which line shall coincide with and be parallel to the centerline of Main Street, less and except the following: Starting at the centerline of Grand Avenue at the intersection of the centerline of 9<sup>th</sup> Street, thence North along the centerline of Ninth Street to the intersection of the centerline of Congress Avenue, thence East along the centerline of Congress Avenue to the intersection of the centerline of Main Street, thence South to the intersection of the centerline of Grand Avenue, thence West along said centerline of Grand Avenue to the Point of Beginning.
4. Ward Four (4) consists of that portion of the city limits enclosed with the following described boundaries: Starting at the intersection of the centerline of Grand Avenue and the centerline of Main Street, thence East and along said centerline of Grand Avenue to the city limits, thence South to the city limits, thence West and along said city limits to the intersection of said city limits and the centerline of Main Street, thence North and along said centerline of Main Street to the Point of Beginning.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDANED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF TONKAWA, Oklahoma:

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All ordinances or parts thereof that are in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance shall be and the same hereby are, repealed.


The provisions of the Ordinance are severable, and if any part or provision hereof shall be adjudged invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such adjudication shall not affect or impair any or the remaining parts or provisions hereof.

An emergency is hereby found to exist, by reason of which for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, the same being necessary, this Ordinance shall be subject be in force immediately after its publication.


ORDAINED this 21<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2023.

ATTEST:

  
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Nancy Skipper, City Clerk

  
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Kenneth Smith, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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W. Lee Stout, City Attorney

# Tonkawa Ward Redistricting Map 2022



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Ward 2=767

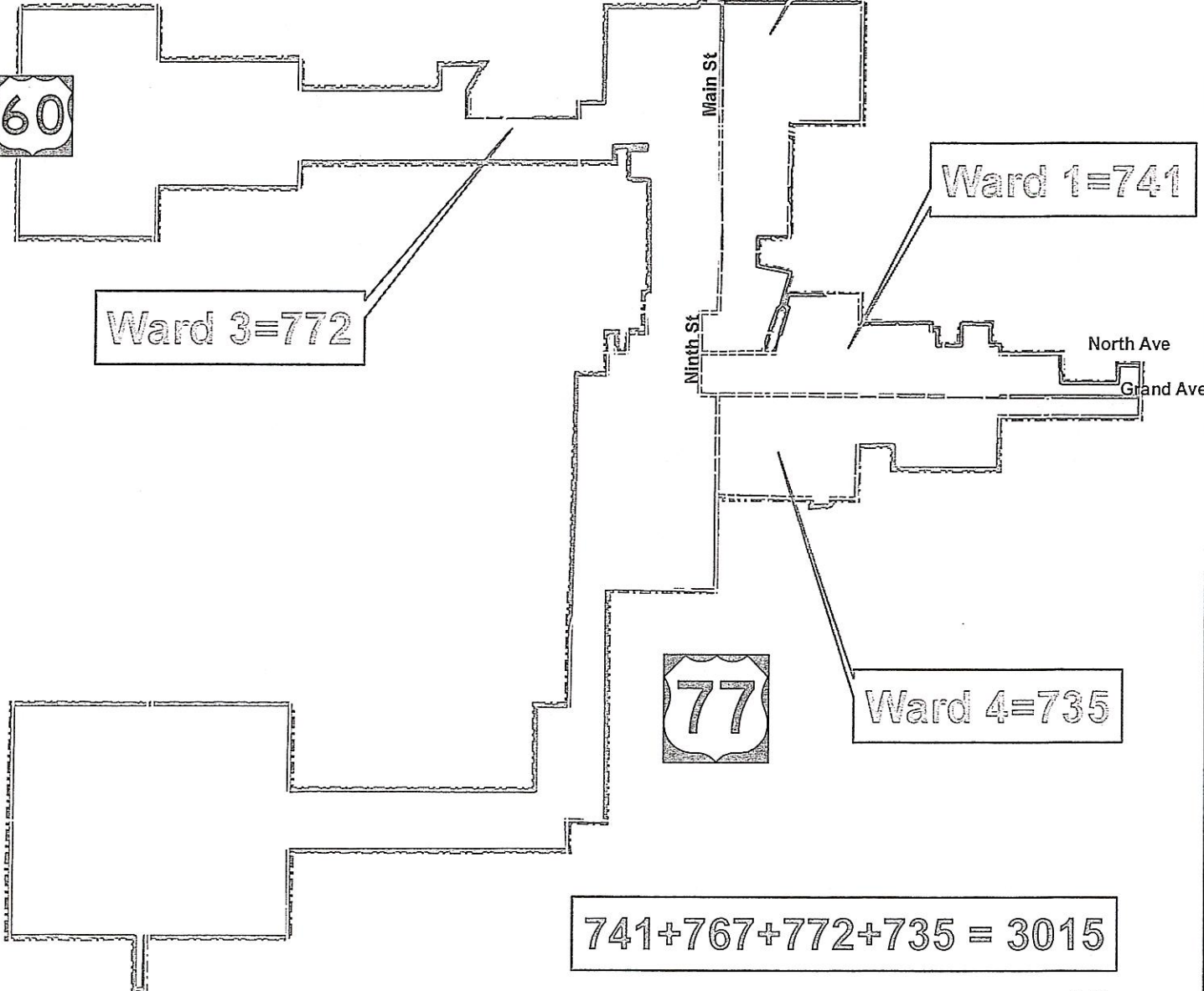
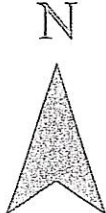
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