

Ordinance No. 2006-04

An Ordinance to Increase the Number of Council Members and to Redistrict the Town for Election Purpose

WHEREAS, the Town of Wolcott has been divided into districts for the purpose of conducting elections of Town officers, first by the Board of Commissioners of the County of White when the Town was incorporated, and subsequently by the legislative body of the Town;

WHEREAS, the Town Council is the legislative body of the Town of Wolcott by the virtue of Indiana Code Section (I.C. 36-5-2-4.1);

WHEREAS, the Council of the Town of Wolcott has, at a public meeting of the Council, provided an opportunity for all members of the Council and voters of the Town of Wolcott to comment and make suggestions concerning the division of the Town of Wolcott into legislative districts under this Ordinance;

WHEREAS, in the latest General Election, a majority of registered voters residing within the corporate boundaries of the Town of Wolcott elected to increase the number of members serving on the Council from three to five, as provided by IC 3-10-9-4; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the Town of Wolcott has determined that the legislative district boundaries should be removed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WOLCOTT, INDIANA:

Section 1. The Council of the Town of Wolcott hereafter consists of five (5) at-large members.

Section 2. All at-large Council members shall reside within the Town of Wolcott corporate boundaries. All five Council members shall be elected at-large by all registered voters residing within the corporate boundaries of the Town of Wolcott.

Section 3. The Council of the Town of Wolcott has determined that the legislative body shall be elected by the voters of the whole town.

Section 4. The members of the Council of the Town of Wolcott shall serve staggered terms of office as follows:

- (a) Three (3) at-large members of the legislative body are elected during a year that municipal elections are held under IC 3-10-6-5, specifically commencing 2007, and each four years thereafter;
- (b) Two (2) at-large members of the legislative body are elected during the year after the year described in subdivision (a) during the General Election that year.
- (c) The Council shall appoint qualified members to fill in a newly created or otherwise vacant council members' seats and each appointee shall serve until the next election, and until his or her elected successor has qualified and taken office. The term of each elected member of the town legislative body shall be a period of four (4) year. No appointment shall exceed four (4) years.
- (d) The term of each town officer begins January 1 after the election.

Section 5 The Clerk-Treasurer of the Town of Wolcott shall forward a signed copy of this Ordinance to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of White County and shall request the Clerk to include the copy of this Ordinance in the records of the White County Election Board.

Passed and adopted by the Council of the Town of Wolcott, Indiana, on the 19th day of December, 2006. This Ordinance shall become effective January 1, 2007.

WOLCOTT TOWN COUNCIL

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ATTEST:

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