

City of Fayetteville Staff Review Form

2022-0100

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City Council Meeting Date - Agenda Item Only
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1/31/2022

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (170)

Submitted By

Submitted Date

Division / Department

Action Recommendation:

An Ordinance to approve revised ward boundaries to equalize ward populations after the 2020 federal census.

Budget Impact:

Account Number

Fund

Project Number

Project Title

Budgeted Item? No

Current Budget

\$ -

Funds Obligated

\$ -

Current Balance

\$ -

Does item have a cost? No

Item Cost

\$ -

Budget Adjustment Attached? No

Budget Adjustment

\$ -

Remaining Budget

\$ -

V20210527

Purchase Order Number:

Previous Ordinance or Resolution # Ord 5444

Change Order Number:

Approval Date:

Original Contract Number:

Comments:



MEETING OF FEBRUARY 15TH, 2022

TO: Mayor and City Council

THRU: Susan Norton, Chief of Staff
Keith Macedo, Information Technology Director

FROM: Greg Resz, GIS Manager

DATE: January 31, 2022

SUBJECT: **An Ordinance to approve revised ward boundaries to equalize ward populations after the 2020 federal census.**

RECOMMENDATION:

An Ordinance to approve revised ward boundaries to equalize ward populations after the 2020 federal census.

BACKGROUND:

The City's GIS division worked the City Attorney's office to develop a proposed ward map based upon Federal and State law, and in coordination with the Washington County Election Commission.

DISCUSSION:

The proposed new ward map was developed by GIS staff by analyzing the 2020 decennial census data. It complies with federal and state laws, follows equal representation guidelines, and provides appropriate room for growth in the higher growth wards.

BUDGET/STAFF IMPACT:

There is not budget impact for the proposed ordinance.

Attachments:

Staff Review Form, Staff Review Memo, City Council January 25 presentation, proposed ward map.



2020 Redistricting of City Council Wards

Greg Resz, GIS Manager



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Redistricting

The What, Why, Who, Where, When, & How

- What...redrawing Ward boundaries
- Why...to equalize representation
- Who...Under A.C.A. 14-43-311 for 1st class cities, the authority to redistrict wards rests with the **City Council**
- Where...all over the US and AR

Congressional Districts

City Wards

County Justice of Peace

State House and Senate Districts

School Districts

- When...following the decennial census
 - September 16, 2021-Census Block summary files were released
 - October 20, 2021- City staff met with County Clerk and Election Commission Offices
 - March 1, 2022 -Redistricting deadline

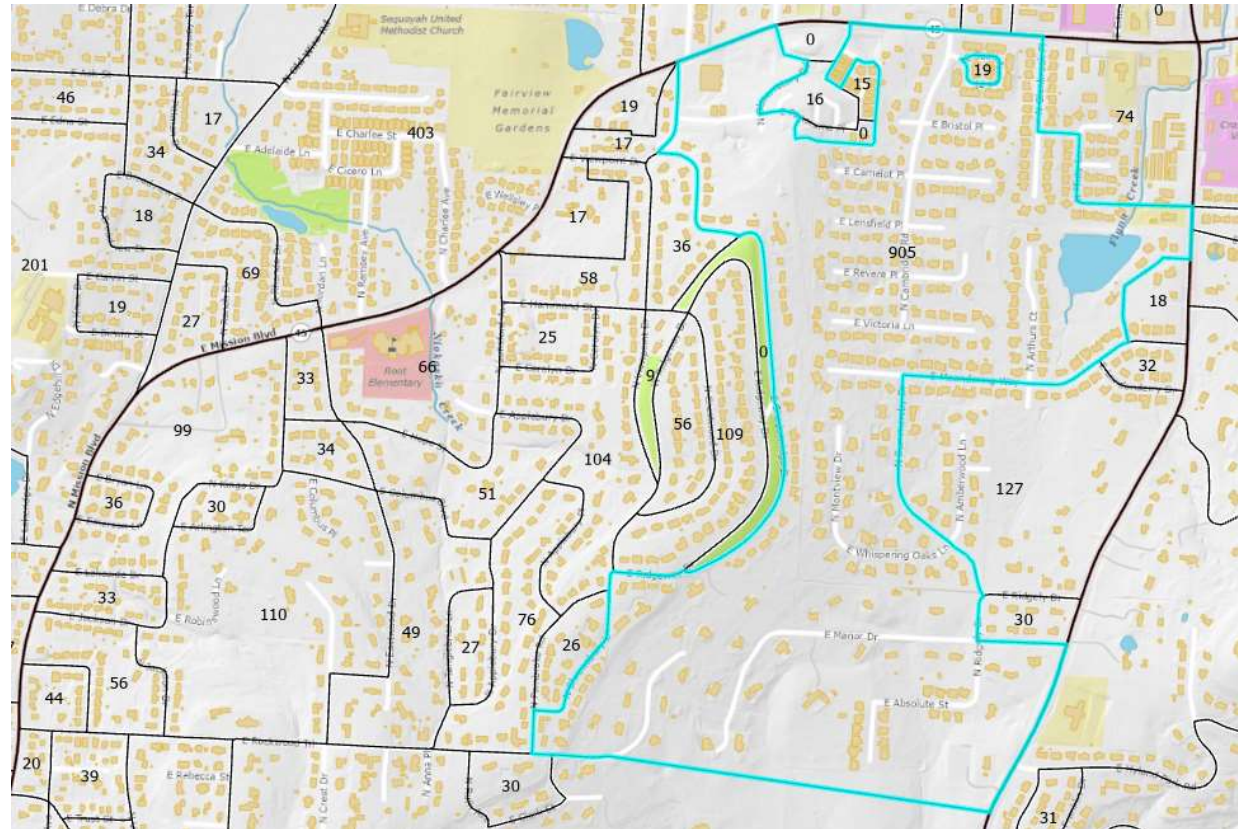
- How...Methodology—Census Blocks

Wilson
Park
Census
Blocks



- How...Methodology—Census Blocks

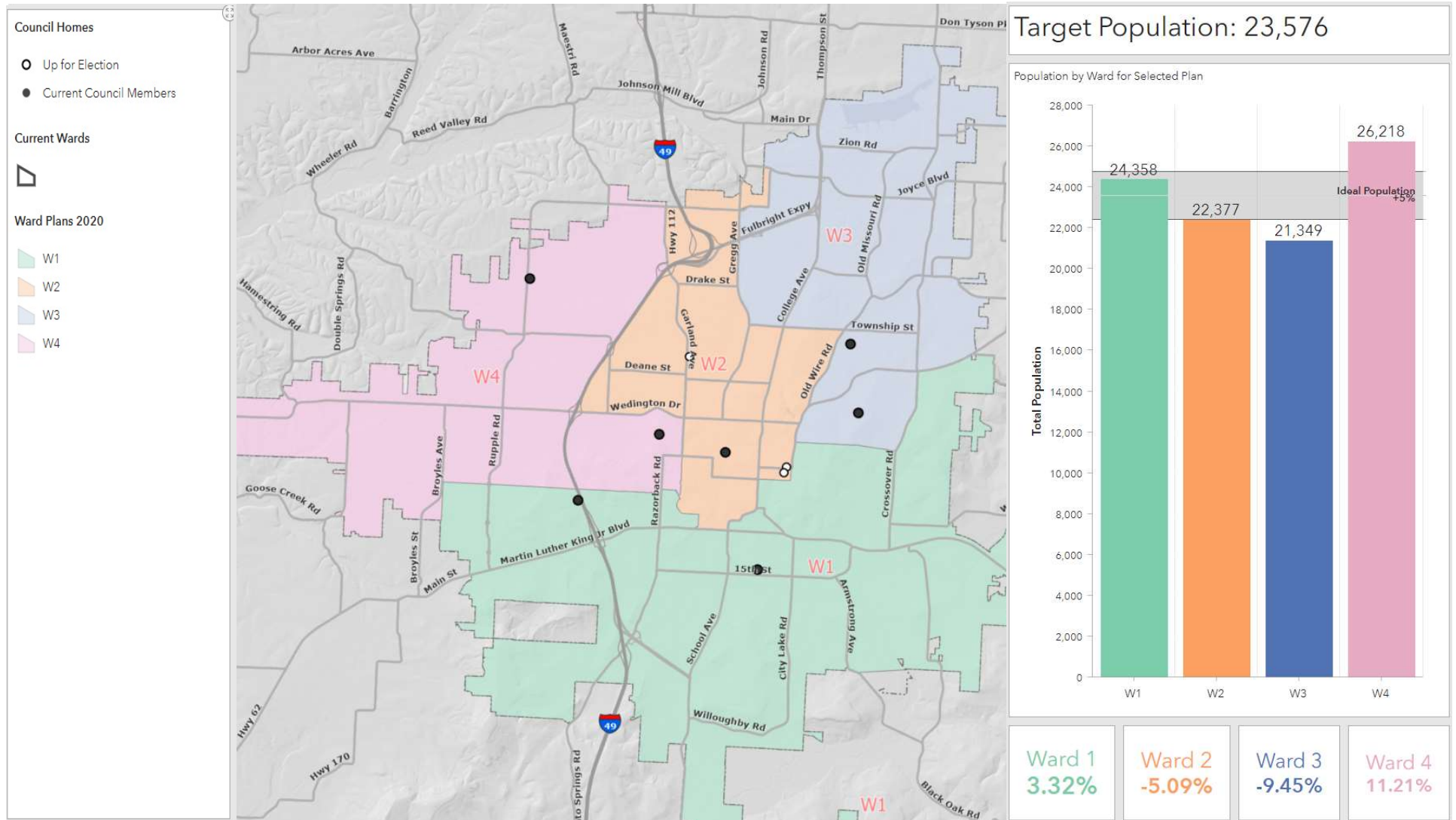
Mission, Crossover, and Rockwood Trl



• How... Methodology—Primary Considerations

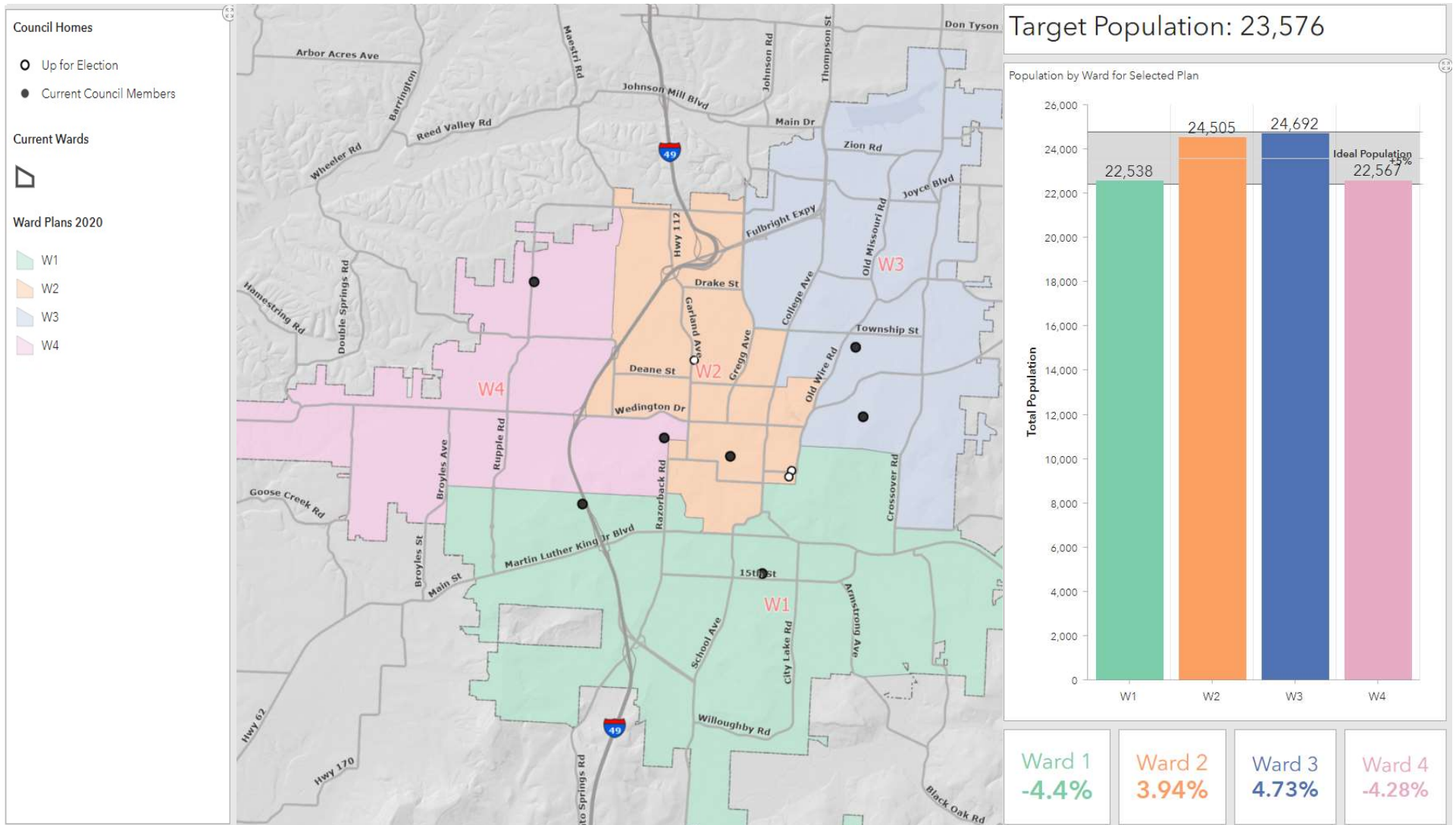
- ❖ Preserving the cores of existing Wards
- ❖ Create Wards of substantially equal populations
- ❖ Provide for expected growth
- ❖ Ward boundary must follow Census Blocks
- ❖ Coordinate with the Washington County Clerk and Election Commission Offices to keep as many precincts intact as possible

Current Wards

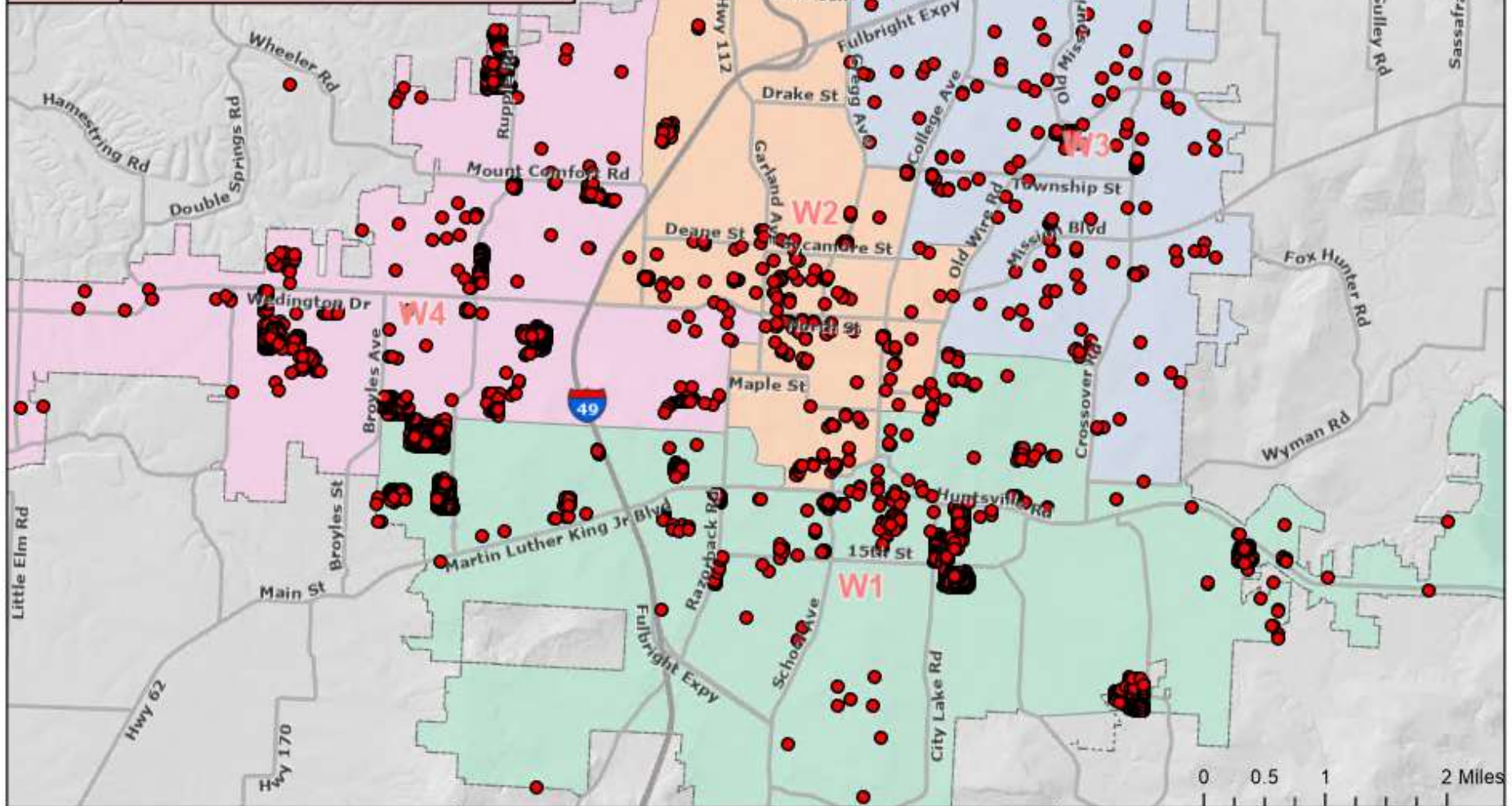


Recommended Plan

Keeps Wards 1 & 4 as low as possible and splits only 5 precincts



Ward	Total Residential Housing Units 2020 Census to October 2021
1	1598
2	416
3	686
4	938



- Ward 1
- Ward 2
- Ward 3
- Ward 4
- Housing Unit Added After 2020 Census)

Recommended Ward Boundaries With Residential Housing Units

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Thank you!

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