

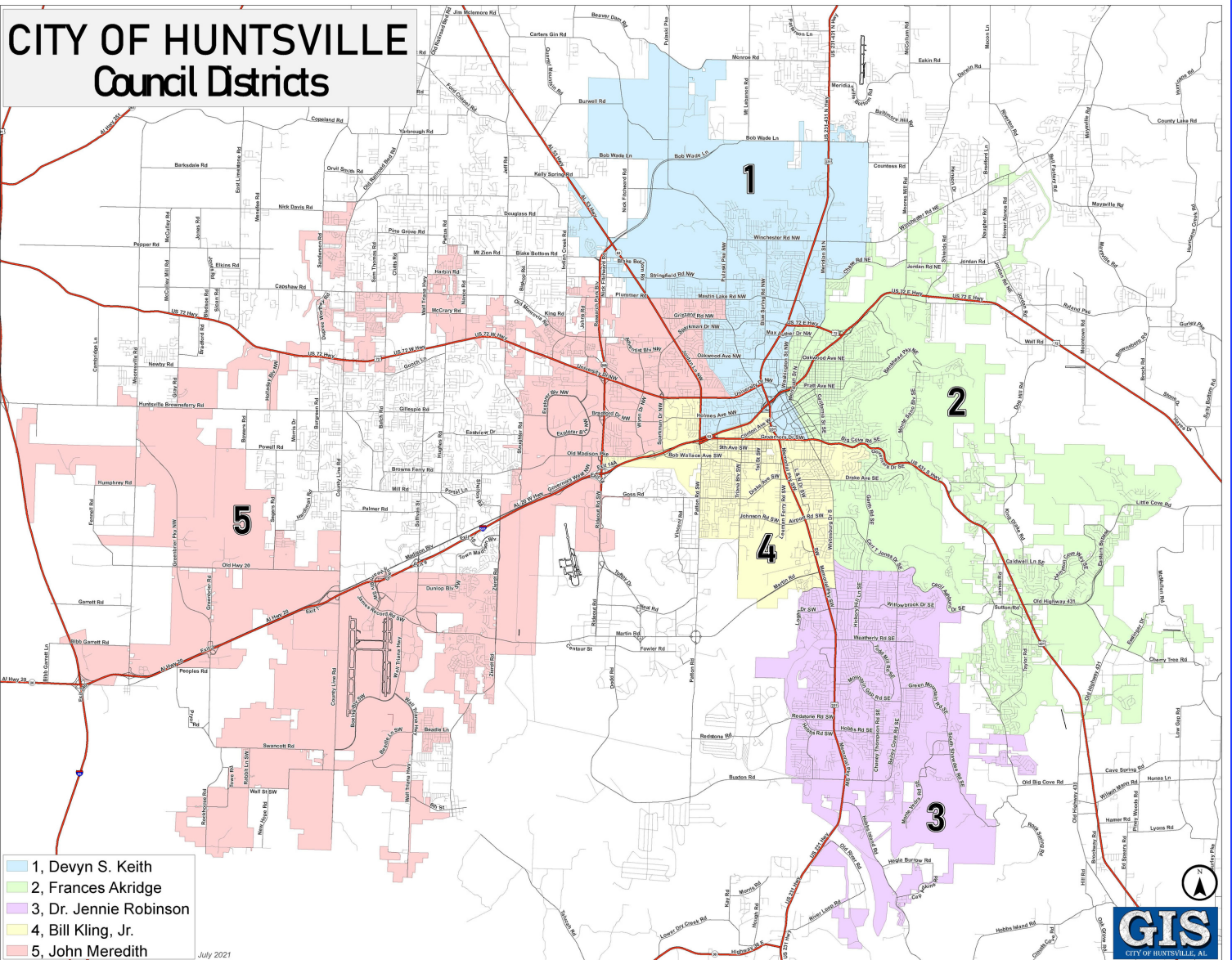


HUNTSVILLE

The Star of Alabama

CENSUS 2020 - REDISTRICTING CITY COUNCIL AND SCHOOL BOARD

CITY OF HUNTSVILLE Council Districts





Timeline of Events

All events held in the City Council Chambers on the first floor of the Municipal Building at 308 Fountain Circle.

Special Sessions for Public Hearings:

Tues., Oct. 19th, 4:00pm

Mon., Oct. 25th, 5:30pm

Tues., Nov. 9th, 1:30pm

Tues., Nov. 16th, 4:00pm

Mon., Nov. 22nd, 5:30pm

Thurs., Dec. 2nd, 5:30pm -
Final redistricting plans introduced.

Thurs., Dec. 16th, 5:30pm -
Council adoption of final redistricting plan at regular meeting.

All Public Hearings will be streamed live on HuntsvilleAL.gov/HSVTV and the public access channel.

WHY REDISTRICTING?

Redistricting ensures compliance with the constitutional right of one person, one vote. It also prevents uneven districts in which, for example, one Council member represents 30,000 constituents, while another represents only 10,000.

CREATING YOUR OWN PLAN

The easiest way to create and submit a plan is by using Geographic Information Systems (GIS) software. The City of Huntsville is using Autobound GIS redistricting software. The software package includes a public, online interface for citizens to make comments and submit plans to the redistricting team without the need for special software. A link to the website, along with instructions on how to use, will be provided when it is ready.

Alternately, you can create a plan using any GIS software (e.g., ArcGIS, Maptitude) and submit it to City staff for review to ensure compliance with the adopted guidelines.

All interested persons are encouraged to appear before the Council and give their comments regarding the redistricting of City districts. A redistricting plan by any individual citizen, group or organization must be presented to the Council by written presentation at a public hearing, no later than Nov. 22. An oral presentation may also accompany the written presentation. All plans submitted to the Council will be made a part of the public record and made available in the same manner as other public records.

Please contact the Planning Department at 256-427-5100 or email Redistricting@HuntsvilleAL.gov for any questions or scan the QR code for more information.

