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To: Scott County Board of Supervisors From: Roxanna Moritz, Scott County Auditor

RE: Precinct agreement with the City of Eldridge

Date: July 25, 2011

As part of the reprecincting process for Scott County my office has received a precinct agreement from the City of Eldridge to include voters from unincorporated Sheridan Township in Eldridge Precinct Two. Currently, Sheridan Township residents vote in Eldridge, but at their own precinct, separate from the two Eldridge precincts. This agreement would allow the voters of the township to continue to vote in Eldridge. The alternatives would be to send these voters to Long Grove, a longer trip and less convenient than the Eldridge alternative, or to continue to vote in Eldridge with a separate precinct which would necessitate increasing the total number of precincts in the county.

lowa Code Sections 49.4 and 49.6 require that a precinct which combines portion of an unincorporated township with a city of more than 2,000 in population shall be established through an agreement of the county board of supervisors and the city council. The agreement was drafted by my staff and based on a sample agreement supplied by the Office of Secretary of State.

The City of Eldridge would appreciate action by the Board as soon as possible, as State law requires that cities submit their reprecincting plans to the Secretary of State, including signed precinct agreements, by September 1st.

For your information, we are expecting two additional precinct agreements with the City of Davenport to cover small unincorporated areas of Blue Grass Township which are surrounded by the city. Also, the cities of Bettendorf and Panorama Park have passed a separate city-to-city precinct agreement to allow residents of Panorama Park to vote in Bettendorf Precinct 5-1.

THE COUNTY AUDITOR'S SIGNATURE CERTIFIES THAT THIS RESOLUTION HAS BEEN FORMALLY APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON DATE
SCOTT COUNTY AUDITOR

RESOLUTION

SCOTT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

August 4, 2011

Approval of Memorandum of Agreement between Scott County and the City of Eldridge for a combined township and city precinct.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Scott County Board of Supervisors as follows:

- Section 1. The Scott County Board of Supervisors approves the Memorandum of Agreement between Scott County and the City of Eldridge for a combined precinct of unincorporated Sheridan Township and Eldridge Precinct Two.
- Section 2. The Board of Supervisors authorizes the Chairman of the Board to sign the agreement on behalf of the Board.
- Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

The parties to this agreement are the City of Eldridge, Iowa (City), and Scott County, Iowa (County). This agreement is entered into and shall be effective as of January 15, 2012.

WHEREAS: Following the federal decennial census, and after the redistricting of congressional and legislative districts, city councils and county boards of supervisors are required to complete any changes in precinct and ward boundaries (for cities) or precinct and supervisor districts (for counties), and,

WHEREAS: Election precincts which are composed partially of unincorporated territory within a county and partially of a part of a city may be established, if an agreement which is mutually satisfactory to the board of supervisors of the county and to the city council of the city is adopted and submitted to the state commissioner as part of the certification of precinct boundaries, and,

WHEREAS: The City and County desire to have one combined precinct, namely Eldridge 2.

THEREFORE: the parties agree that Eldridge 2shall be composed of a population of 2,529 persons who are residents of the incorporated area of the City and a population of 562 persons who are residents of the unincorporated area of Sheridan Township, in the County, as shown on the map attached hereto, and legally described as follows:

Beginning at the center line of the intersection of Buttermilk Road and W. LeClaire Road, then south along the west city limit boundary line to the south city limit boundary line, then east along the south city limit boundary line to the east city limit boundary line to the center line of E. Lincoln Road, then east along the center line of E. Lincoln Road to the center line of the intersection of E. Lincoln Road and S. First Street, then north along the center line of S. First Street to the center line of the intersection of First Street and LeClaire Road, then along the center line of LeClaire Road to the point of beginning and including the legal boundaries of Sheridan Township, but excluding that portion of the township which lies within the corporate limits of the city of Davenport.

Dated thisday of	,2011.	
City of Eldridge, Iowa		Scott County, Iowa
By Arty O'Boyle, Mayor, City of Eldridge		By Thomas Sunderbruch, Chairman, Scott County Board of Supervisors
Attest:		Attest:
By What Benson, Clerk City of Eldridge	_	ByRoxanna Moritz, Auditor Scott County



Scott County Iowa Auditor's Office 2012 Precinct Maps



