

ORDINANCE NO. 24-06

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA,
AMENDING CHAPTER 2 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES
ENTITLED "ADMINISTRATION" BY ADOPTING A NEW
DISTRICT BOUNDARY MAP FOR THE CITY
COMMISSION'S ELECTORAL DISTRICTS; PROVIDING
FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF
INCONSISTENT PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN
EFFECTIVE DATE**

WHEREAS, Section 2-61 of the Code of Ordinances requires the City Commission every ten years to adopt a new district boundary map; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission appointed a Redistricting and Charter Revision Commission which, in part, has recommended a new map with redrawn district boundary lines designed to maintain substantially equal population in the six voting districts and to conform such district lines with U.S. Census blocks; and

WHEREAS, In Ordinance #21-20, the City Commission has accepted the recommendation of the Redistricting and Charter Review Commission and adopted a new District Boundary Map that split Garrison Bight between District 1 and District 2; and

WHEREAS, after input from the Supervisor of Elections, the City Commission finds that the map adopted in Ordinance #21-20 can

lead to voter confusion for liveaboard voters who reside in Garrison Bight.

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that the adoption of an amended district boundary map to correct this irregularity will fulfill its responsibilities under Section 2-61 and serve the best interests of the citizens of Key West;

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that the corrected map does not materially affect the population and/or voter count for Districts 1 and 2.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA:

Section 1: That a 2024 Amended District Boundary Map, attached hereto as Exhibit "A", is hereby adopted.

Section 2: If any section, provision, clause, phrase, or application of this Ordinance is held invalid or unconstitutional for any reason by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed severable therefrom and shall be construed as reasonable and necessary to achieve the lawful purposes of this Ordinance.

Section 3: All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances of said City in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby superseded to the extent of such conflict.

Section 4: This Ordinance shall go into effect immediately upon its passage and adoption and authentication by the signature of the presiding officer and the Clerk of the Commission.

Read and passed on first reading at a regular meeting held
this 11th day of January, 2024.

Read and passed on final reading at a regular meeting held
this 8th day of February, 2024.

Authenticated by the presiding officer and Clerk of the
Commission on 9th day of February, 2024.

Filed with the Clerk February 9, 2024.

Mayor Teri Johnston	<u>Yes</u>
Vice Mayor Sam Kaufman	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Lissette Carey	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Mary Lou Hoover	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Clayton Lopez	<u>Absent</u>
Commissioner Billy Wardlow	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Jimmy Weekley	<u>Absent</u>

TERI JOHNSTON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

KERI O'BRIEN, CITY CLERK