

District 1: Beginning at the corner of the north city limits and west side of railroad tracks and run south on the west side of the railroad tracks to West Lawson Street, then

more particularly described as follows:

The four election districts for the City of Habira are

II.

three Council members shall constitute a quorum. registered voters residing in his or her district. The Mayor and any the district he or she represents shall be voted on solely by the election districts hereinafter described. Each Council Member in each of said council members being elected from the single member at large from the City of Habira, and four council members, one 1994, the City Council of Habira shall consist of a Mayor elected by due reference thereto incorporated herein. Beginning January 1, depicted upon the map hereto annexed as Exhibit "A" and which is as hereinafter described and which four election districts are of Habira, the City shall be divided into four election districts For the purpose of electing members of the City Council

I.

thereof: Habira, Georgia, and it is hereby ORDAINED by the authority BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the City of conflicting ordinances; and for other purposes, members pursuant to the Georgia Home Rule Statute; to repeal for a change from at large to district election of City Council To modify and amend the Charter of the City of Habira to provide

east on south side of West Lawson Street to Webb Street, then south on west side of Webb Street to West Park, then east on south side of West Park Street to South Church Street, then south on west side of South Church Street, to West Grace, then west on north side of West Grace to South Hall Street, then south on west side of South Hall Street to south city limits and then west, north and east along city limits to railroad tracks on north side of city.

District 2: Beginning at the corner of Randall Street and South Church Street, then south on east side of South Church Street to East Grace Street, then west on south side of West Grace Street to South Hall Street, then south on east side of South Hall Street to south city limits, then east and north along city limits to Hagan Bridge Road, then south on east side of Hagan Bridge to East Grace Street, then west on south side of East Grace Street to Barfield Street, then north on west side of Barfield Street to Randall Street, then west on south side of Randall Street to South Church.

District 3: Beginning at southeast corner of West Lawson and North Webb Street, then south on the east side of North and South Webb Street to West Park Street, then east on north side of West Park Street to South Church Street, of West Park Street to South Church Street, then south on east side of South Church to Randall Street, then east on north side of Randall Street to Barfield Street, then south on east side of Barfield Street to East Grace Street, then east on north side of East Grace Street to Hagan Bridge Road, then north on west side of Hagan Bridge Road following north along city limits to East Stanfill, then west on south side of East Stanfill to East Lawson, then east on south side of East Lawson and West Lawson to railroad tracks.

District 4: Beginning at the corner of north city limits and railroad tracks, then south on east side of railroad tracks to West Lawson, then east on north side of West Lawson and East Lawson to East Stanfill, then east on north side of East Stanfill to Highway 122, then east on north side of Highway 122 to east city limits, then north along city limits to north railroad tracks.

The Mayor shall be the official head of the city government and chief representative of the city. The Mayor shall preside at all meetings of the council and shall have all the rights, powers, duties and responsibilities of a member of council except that the Mayor shall not vote on matters before the council except to express unanimity of the council or where there is an equal division on the question. The Mayor may serve as a member of boards, commissions, and committees required by law or requested by the council and shall perform such other duties consistent with and as may be required by law. The members of council elected from each of the four districts shall have all the rights, duties, powers and responsibilities conferred and imposed upon the city council members by the laws of the state of Georgia.

#### III.

At the regular general election to be held on November 2, 1993, the Mayor shall be elected at large for a term of four (4) years to commence at the first organizational meeting in January of 1994 and expiring on December 31, 1997. The members of the city council from District 1 and from District 4 shall likewise be elected at the regular general election to be held on November 2, 1993 for terms of four (4) years to commence at the first organizational meeting in January of 1994 and expiring on December 31, 1997. The members of council serving a four (4) year term which will expire on December 31, 1995.

The Mayor may reside anywhere within the limits of the City of Habira. The four members of the council shall reside within the districts from which they are elected. In the event that a member of the council removes his or her place of residence during the term of office from the election district from which elected, a vacancy shall thereby be immediately created. Such vacancy shall be filled by a qualified resident of the election district wherein the vacancy exists in the manner prescribed by applicable provisions of the Georgia Election Code. In the event that no candidate qualifies to fill a vacancy from a district or if a vacancy occurs within a period of six (6) months from the expiration date of the term of the member causing the vacancy, then the vacancy shall be filled by appointment of the Mayor with the advice and consent of at least two (2) city council members, and the person so appointed shall serve for the term or for the unexpired term.

#### VI.

There shall be no durational residency requirement as a condition to qualify as a candidate for Mayor or candidate for Council for Election Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4 other than what is expressed in the laws of the state of Georgia, except that such candidates for a district position must attain their residence in the district they seek to represent at least by the time they qualify as candidates for the 1993 election and subsequent elections. Additionally, such candidates must meet the qualifications provided for in the Georgia Election Code.

ORDAINED after being duly adopted at two (2) regular consecutive meetings of the Mayor and Council of the City of Habira and not less than seven (7) nor more than sixty (60) days apart, and pursuant to notice containing a synopsis of this Ordinance duly published in the official organ of Lowndes County once a week for three (3) weeks within a period of sixty (60) days immediately preceding its final adoption, which notice states that a copy of the proposed amendment is on file in the office of the Clerk of the City of Habira and in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court are hereby repealed.

All provisions of the Habira City Charter, and all Ordinances and parts of Ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance

IX.

September, 1993.

This Ordinance shall become effective on the 6th day of

VIII.

Rights Act, 42. U.S.C. 1973c.

Unless otherwise provided by the Charter of the City of Habira or the laws of the State of Georgia, hereafter when property is annexed to the City of Habira, the Annexation Ordinance of the City of Habira or the Annexation Statute of the State of Georgia shall assign the annexed property to the appropriate councilmanic district(s). The district(s) to which the property is assigned shall be contiguous to the annexed property. Voting changes occasioned by any such future annexations to the City of Habira must meet the preclearance requirements of Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act, 42. U.S.C. 1973c.

VII.

of Lowndes County for examination and inspection by the public,  
this 12th day of August, 1993, by the Mayor and Council of the city  
of Hahira in meeting duly assembled.

*Jesse L. Parrott*  
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Jesse L. Parrott, M. D.,  
Mayor  
(SEAL)

Attest:  
*Stan Reeves*  
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Stan Reeves,  
City Clerk