

Senate Bill 612

By: Senators Jones of the 10th and Strickland of the 17th

AS PASSED

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Stockbridge, approved April 4,
2 1991 (Ga. L. 1991, p. 4359), as amended, so as to change the corporate limits of such
3 municipality; to provide for city council districts; to provide definitions and inclusions; to
4 provide for the continuance in office for current members; to provide for related matters; to
5 provide for a referendum; to provide for contingent effective dates and automatic repeal; to
6 repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 An Act to provide a new charter for the City of Stockbridge, approved April 4, 1991 (Ga. L.
10 1991, p. 4359), as amended, is amended by adding a new Section 1.11A to read as follows:

11 "SECTION 1.11A.

12 Boundaries Amended.

13 (a) In addition to all other territory included within the corporate limits of said city, the
14 corporate limits shall specifically include the following described property, all of which is
15 located in Henry County, Georgia:

16 "User: S017

17 Plan Name: Stockbridge-AnnexRev-2022

18 Plan Type: Local

19 District ANNEX

20 County Henry GA

21 VTD LIGHTHOUSE

22 Block 070126:

23 1018

24 VTD PATES CREEK

25 Block 070116:

26 2000

27 Block 070123:

28 1017

29 VTD RED OAK

30 Block 070115:

31 1002 1003 1005 1006 1009 1010 1012 1014 1015 1016 1017 1019

32 1022 1023 1024 1030 1031 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2013

33 2014 2018 2019 2020 2033 2035

34 Block 070124:

35 2002 2004 2005

36 VTD STAGECOACH

37 Block 070113:

38 1017 2000

39 Block 070125:

40 2006 2009 2017 2022 2023

41 Block 070126:

42 1015 1023 1028 1029 1030 1031 1032

43 VTD STOCKBRIDGE CENTRAL

44 Block 070113:

45 2001 2002 2003

46 Block 070115:

47 2027 2028 2029 2030

48 Block 070119:

49 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011

50 Block 070126:

51 1035 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010

52 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016

53 VTD STOCKBRIDGE EAST-WEST

54 Block 070114:

55 1003 1019 1020 1023 1024 1032 1034 1035 1039 1040 2011 2012

56 2015 2016 3012 3015 3016 3017 3018 3020 3021 3022 3023 3025

57 3027 3028 3029 3030

58 Block 070119:

59 3009 3018 3021 4009 4011 4012 4016 4017 4018

60 Block 070120:

61 1000 1001 1007 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008

62 2009 2010 2012 2013

63 Block 070124:

64 1000 1001

65 (b) For the purposes of such plan, Stockbridge-AnnxRev-2022, described in
 66 subsection (a)"of this section, the term 'VTD' shall mean and describe the same
 67 geographical boundaries as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the
 68 United States decennial census of 2020 for the State of Georgia. The separate numeric

69 designations in a district description which are underneath a 'VTD' heading shall mean and
70 describe individual blocks within a VTD as provided in the report of the Bureau of the
71 Census for the United States decennial census of 2020 for the State of Georgia."

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SECTION 2.

73 Said Act is further amended by adding a new subsection to Section 2.10 to read as follows:

74 "(c) The five councilmembers to be elected as provided in this section shall be elected from
75 the districts provided for in subsection (d) of Section 2.11. In order to be elected as a
76 member of the city council from a district, a person must have resided in that district for
77 at least 12 months prior to election thereto and must receive a plurality of the votes cast for
78 such office in that district. Only electors who are residents of that district may vote for a
79 councilmember of that district. At the time of qualifying for election as a councilmember,
80 each candidate for such office shall specify the district for which that person is a candidate.
81 A person elected as a councilmember from a district must continue to reside in that district
82 during the person's term of office or such office shall thereupon become vacant."

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SECTION 3.

84 Said Act is further amended by revising subsections (b) and (d) of Section 2.11 as follows:

85 "(b) All elections shall be held and conducted in accordance with Chapter 2 of Title 21 of
86 the O.C.G.A., the 'Georgia Election Code' as now or hereafter amended."

87 "(d)(1) For the purpose of electing councilmembers the City of Stockbridge shall be
88 divided into five council districts. Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 shall be and correspond to
89 those five numbered districts described in Appendix A attached to and made a part of this
90 Act and further identified as 'User: SD010 Plan Name: StockbridgeCC-Dist2-2022 Plan
91 Type: Local'.

92 (2) For the purposes of such plan:

93 (A) The term 'VTD' shall mean and describe the same geographical boundaries as
94 provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial
95 census of 2020 for the State of Georgia. The separate numeric designations in a district
96 description which are underneath a VTD heading shall mean and describe individual
97 Blocks within a VTD as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the
98 United States decennial census of 2020 for the State of Georgia; and

99 (B) Except as otherwise provided in the description of any district, whenever the
100 description of any district refers to a named city, it shall mean the geographical
101 boundaries of that city as shown on the census maps for the United States decennial
102 census of 2020 for the State of Georgia.

103 (3) Any part of the City of Stockbridge which is not included in any district described
104 in paragraph (1) of this subsection shall be included within that district contiguous to such
105 part which contains the least population according to the United States decennial census
106 of 2020 for the State of Georgia.

107 (4) Any part of the City of Stockbridge which is described in paragraph (1) of this
108 subsection as being included in a particular district shall nevertheless not be included
109 within such district if such part is not contiguous to such district. Such noncontiguous
110 part shall instead be included within that district contiguous to such part which contains
111 the least population according to the United States decennial census of 2020 for the State
112 of Georgia.

113 (5) Any territory purportedly described in a district in paragraph (1) of this subsection
114 that is not within the corporate limits of the City of Stockbridge shall not be part of any
115 such district.

116 (6) The initial councilmembers for Districts 3, 4, and 5 shall be elected at the municipal
117 general election held in 2023, and the councilmembers elected at such election shall take
118 office as provided for in Section 3.11 of this charter.

144 automatically repealed on the first day of January immediately following such election date.
145 The expense of such election shall be borne by the City of Stockbridge. It shall be the
146 election superintendent's duty to certify the result thereof to the Secretary of State.

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SECTION 5.

148 Those members of the City of Stockbridge City Council who are serving as such on the
149 effective date of this Act, and any person selected to fill a vacancy in any such office shall
150 continue to serve as such members until the regular expiration of their respective terms of
151 office and upon the election and qualification of their respective successors.

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SECTION 6.

153 (a) Section 4 this Act shall become effective upon the approval of this Act by the Governor
154 or upon its becoming law without such approval.

155 (b) Except as provided for in Section 4 of this Act, Sections 5 and 7 and the provisions of
156 this Act necessary to conduct elections for the members of the city council in 2023 shall
157 become effective on January 1, 2023.

158 (c) Except as provided for in Section 4 and subsections (a) and (b) of this section, the
159 remaining provisions of this Act shall become effective on January 1, 2024.

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SECTION 7.

161 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

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APPENDIX A

163 "User: S017

164 Plan Name: StockbridgeCC-Annx-2022

165 Plan Type: Local

166 District 001

167 County Henry GA

168 VTD PATES CREEK

169 Block 070124:

170 2021

171 VTD RED OAK

172 Block 070115:

173 1000 1001 1002 1003 1004 1005 1006 1007 1008 1009 1010 1011

174 1012 1013 1014 1015 1016 1017 1018 1019 1020 1021 1022 1023

175 1024 1025 1026 1027 1028 1029 1030 1031 2008 2009 2010 2011

176 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023

177 2024 2025 2026 2031 2032 2033 2034 2035 2036 2037

178 Block 070124:

179 1002 1003 1004 1005 1006 1007 1010 1011 1012 1013 1014 1015

180 1016 1017 1018 1019 1020 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006

181 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2022 2023

182 VTD STOCKBRIDGE CENTRAL

183 Block 070115:

184 2027 2028 2029 2030

185 VTD STOCKBRIDGE EAST-WEST

186 Block 070124:

187 1000 1001

188 District 002

189 County Henry GA

190 VTD RED OAK

191 Block 070115:

192 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007

193 VTD STOCKBRIDGE CENTRAL

194 Block 070113:

195 2003 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2028 2029 2030

196 2031

197 Block 070119:

198 1000 1001 1002 1003 1004 1005 1006 1007 1008 1009 1010 1011

199 1012 1013 1014 1015 1016 1017 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005

200 2006 2011

201 VTD STOCKBRIDGE EAST-WEST

202 Block 070119:

203 3000 3001 3002 3003 3004 3005 3006 3007 3008 3009 3010 3011

204 3012 3013 3014 3015 3016 3017 3018 3019 3020 3021 4000 4001

205 4002 4003 4004 4005 4006 4007 4008 4009 4010 4017

206 District 003

207 County Henry GA

208 VTD STOCKBRIDGE CENTRAL

209 Block 070119:

210 2007 2008 2009 2010

211 VTD STOCKBRIDGE EAST-WEST

212 Block 070114:
213 1036 1037 1038 1039 1040 1041 1042 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020
214 2021 2022 2023 2024 2025 2026 2027 3001 3002 3003 3004 3005
215 3006 3007 3008 3009 3010 3011 3012 3013 3014 3015 3016 3017
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218 Block 070119:
219 4011 4012 4013
220 Block 070120:
221 1000 1001 1002 1003 1004 1005 1006 1007 1008 1009 2000 2001
222 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013
223 2014

224 District 004
225 County Henry GA
226 VTD COTTON INDIAN
227 Block 070211:
228 2004 2005 2008
229 VTD FLIPPEN
230 Block 070114:
231 1021
232 Block 070211:
233 2006 2007 2009 3002
234 Block 070316:
235 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006
236 VTD LIGHTHOUSE
237 Block 070126:

238 1018
 239 VTD STAGECOACH
 240 Block 070109:
 241 2013
 242 Block 070113:
 243 1014 1015 1016 1017 1018 1019 1020 1022 1023 1026 1028 1036
 244 1037 1038 1039 1040 1042 1043 1044 1045 1046 1047 1050 2000
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 252 VTD STOCKBRIDGE CENTRAL
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 263 1034 1035 3000
 264 Block 070119:

265 4014 4015 4016 4018

266 Block 070316:

267 2001

268 District 005

269 County Henry GA

270 VTD DUTCHTOWN

271 Block 070314:

272 1017 1018 1019 1020 1023

273 VTD FLIPPEN

274 Block 070114:

275 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2013 2014

276 Block 070211:

277 3003 3012 3013

278 Block 070315:

279 1001 1009 1010 1014 1015 1021 1023 3009 3011 3014 3019

280 VTD HICKORY FLAT

281 Block 070210:

282 1003

283 Block 070211:

284 1011 1012 1013 1015 1017 1019 1021 1022 1023 1024 1025 1026

285 1027 1028 1029 1030 1031 1032 1034 1035 1036 1037 1038 1039

286 1040 1042 3014 3016

287 Block 070315:

288 2006 2007 2008 2010 2011 2013 2014 2015 2016 2020 2021

289 Block 070316:

290 1000 1003 1004 1005 1006 1008 1009 1010 1011 1012 1015 1016

291 1017 2008
292 VTD LAKE HAVEN
293 Block 070310:
294 2002 3007
295 Block 070316:
296 1033
297 VTD PATES CREEK
298 Block 070116:
299 2000 2001 2002 2006 2007 2009
300 Block 070123:
301 1000 1001 1004 1015 1017 1019 1020
302 Block 070314:
303 1000 1001 1014 1015
304 VTD STOCKBRIDGE EAST-WEST
305 Block 070114:
306 2011 2012 2015
307 Block 070124:
308 1022 1023"