

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

Date:	April 15, 2025
То:	Frank Nastasi, City Manager
From:	Robert J. Bruner, Deputy City Manager M. Aileen Dickson, City Clerk
Subject:	Revisions to Troy Precinct Map - (Introduced by: Aileen Dickson, City Clerk)

<u>History</u>

After the 2020 Census, the City of Troy Precinct Map was amended by increasing the number of precincts and polling locations in order to not exceed the precinct population maximum required by Michigan Election Law at the time. An "election precinct" is defined in Michigan Election Law as: "...a political subdivision, the area of which is embraced in its entirety within the confines of a city...for which not more than 1 polling place is provided for all qualified and registered electors residing therein." (MCL 168.654) A "polling place" is the actual physical building where voting takes place, with one or more precincts assigned to that location. Prior to 2024, Michigan Election Law restricted voting precincts to a population of 2,999 active registered voters (MCL 168.658.) In 2022, Troy divided 6 precincts and added 2 polling locations to create the current map's total of 37 precincts and 20 polling locations.

In February of 2024, a revision to MCL 168.658 went into effect that increased the maximum population allowed for voting precincts to 4,999 active registered voters. MCL 168.658 also states that revising precinct boundaries cannot be done within 120 days of an election. The City Clerk's Office decided to wait until after the November 5, 2024 Presidential Election to begin the process of revising the Troy Precinct Map in light of the revisions to MCL 168.658 and the popularity of early voting.

Early voting was offered to Troy voters for the November 2023, February 2024, August 2024, and November 2024 elections. Voter participation peaked for the November 2024 election with over 9,000 Troy voters casting early voting ballots. The November 2024 turnout for each of the 3 forms of voting (by mail, early, and precinct) is valuable data that we can use to plan for future elections but also to reevaluate Troy's Precinct Map.

Voter Turnout by Type			
November 2024 November 2022 % Cha		% Change	
Total # of voters (all types):	49,109	40,128	
Early voting:	9,109 (19%)	N/A	
Mail-in voting:	22,930 (46%)	19,631 (49%)	4 3% from 2022
Precinct voting:	17,070 (35%)	20,497 (51%)	↓ 16% from 2022



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Turnout percentages reflect the most significant change in the behavior of precinct voters. While mailin voting decreased by 3%, precinct voting decreased by 16% due to the addition of early voting as an option for voters.

The changes in Election Law and voter behavior created an opportunity for the City to consolidate precincts permanently by revising the Precinct Map, which will reduce costs in multiple ways such as reducing personnel costs for Election Inspectors and the Precinct Delivery Team, and reducing the equipment needed during the next voting system purchase (approximately 2027.)

With the reduction in the number of precincts, there will also be a reduction in the number of polling locations. Polling locations are allowed only in certain types of buildings, as required by MCL 168.662, which include publicly owned/controlled buildings, and buildings controlled by tax exempt organizations. There are other criteria to consider such as parking, visibility, safety, accessibility, and the controlling organization/owner allowing usage for all elections. For all of these reasons, Troy's polling locations are in City-owned buildings controlled by religious organizations.

The proposed Precinct Map changes reduce the number of precincts from 37 to 27, and the number of polling locations from 20 to 18. The list (in brief) of changes are as follows:

РСТ	Change Proposed	New Map - Precinct # & Polling Location
1	Merged with Precinct 11	Precinct 1 – Evanswood Church
2	No changes	Precinct 2 – Woodside Bible Church
3	No changes	Precinct 3 – First United Methodist Church
4	Merge west half of Precinct 4 with west half of Precinct 9 and entire Precinct 32 to create new Precinct 9; moved polling location	Precinct 9 – SALT Church
	Merge east half of Precinct 4 with east half of Precinct 9 to create new Precinct 10	Precinct 10 – First United Methodist Church
5	Renumbered to Precinct 4	Precinct 4 – Faith Apostolic Church
6	Renumbered to Precinct 5	Precinct 5 – Troy Nature Center
7	Merged with Precinct 18	Precinct 7 – St. Stephen Church
8	No changes	Precinct 8 – Northfield Hills Church
9	Merge west half of Precinct 4 with west half of Precinct 9 and entire Precinct 32 to create new Precinct 9; Merge east half of Precinct 4 with east half of Precinct 9 to create new Precinct 10; moved polling location	Precinct 9 – SALT Church Precinct 10 – First United Methodist Church
10	Renumbered to Precinct 11	Precinct 11 – Woodside Bible Church
11	Merged with Precinct 1; renumbered to Precinct 1	Precinct 1 – Evanswood Church
12	Moved polling location	Precinct 12 – Kensington Church



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13	Merged with Precinct 33	Precinct 13 – Kensington Church
14	Moved polling location	Precinct 14 – St. Anastasia Church
15	Merged with Precinct 21	Precinct 15 – St. Lucy Church
16	No changes	Precinct 16 – First Presbyterian Church
17	No changes	Precinct 17 – St. Nicholas Church
18	Merged with Precinct 7; renumbered to Precinct 7	Precinct 7 – St. Stephen Church
19	Merged with Precinct 28	Precinct 19 – Lutheran Church of the Master
20	No changes	Precinct 20 – St. Nicholas Church
21	Merged with Precinct 15; renumbered to Precinct 15	Precinct 15 – St. Lucy Church
22	Merged with Precinct 35; renumbered to Precinct 21	Precinct 21 – St. Anastasia Church
23	Merged with Precinct 34; renumbered to Precinct 22	Precinct 22 – St. Joseph Church
24	Merged with Precinct 37; renumbered to Precinct 23	Precinct 23 – St. George Church
25	Renumbered to Precinct 24	Precinct 24 – St. George Church
26	No changes	Precinct 26 – Troy Community Center
27	Merged with Precinct 36	Precinct 27 – Troy Community Center
28	Merged with Precinct 19; renumbered to Precinct 19	Precinct 19 – Lutheran Church of the Master
29	Renumbered to Precinct 18	Precinct 18 – Central Woodward Church
30	Renumbered to Precinct 25; moved polling location	Precinct 25 – St. George Church
31	Renumbered to Precinct 6; moved polling location	Precinct 6 – St. Stephen Church
32	Merge west half of Precinct 4 with west half of Precinct 9 and entire Precinct 32 to create new Precinct 9; moved polling location	Precinct 9 – SALT Church
	Merged with Precinct 13; renumbered to	
33	Precinct 13 Merged with Precinct 23; renumbered to	Precinct 13 – Kensington Church
34	Precinct 22	Precinct 22 – St. Joseph Church
	Merged with Precinct 22; renumbered to	· · · ·
35	Precinct 21	Precinct 21 – St. Anastasia Church
36	Merged with Precinct 27; renumbered to Precinct 27	Precinct 27 – Troy Community Center
37	Merged with Precinct 24; renumbered to Precinct 23	Precinct 23 – St. George Church

When deciding which polling locations will house which precincts, the factors that influence the decision are size of the room(s) available for voting, travel distance for voters from their homes to the polling location, parking lot capacity, and the availability of other polling locations in the same area. While most voters did not have to be moved to new polling locations, there were 7 precincts that were moved on the new map.



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In order to inform voters about the new map, the City Clerk's Office will provide a number of information sources in the months prior to the next citywide election, which is November 6, 2025. These sources include, but are not limited to:

- Direct mailing to all voters of new Voter Information Cards
- Direct mailing of informational postcards to all households
- Announcements and information provided on social media (Facebook, Nextdoor)
- Advertisement in the Troy Times
- Advertisement in Troy Today
- Press release to media
- Poster displays at City Hall, Troy Community Center, and Troy Public Library
- Display at City and community events
- Presentations to community groups
- Signs at all affected polling locations for elections held in 2025 and 2026

As required by Michigan Election Law, the Troy Election Commission unanimously approved the revisions to the Troy Precinct Map on April 7, 2025, and recommended the map to Troy City Council (Resolution #EC-2025-04-01). Assuming City Council approves the revised map, the City Clerk will transmit the precinct and polling location changes to the Bureau of Elections in order for the Qualified Voter File (QVF) to be updated before the June 30th deadline. During this time, the City Clerk's Office will begin preparing public engagement.

Purchasing

The estimated cost of mailing new Voter Information Cards to all registered voters in Troy, as required by Michigan Election Law, is \$20,000 including postage. The estimated cost of mailing informational postcards to all registered voter households is \$12,000. Other miscellaneous ads, signs, posters, and displays will be less than \$5,000.

Financial

Printing and mailing of approximately 70,000 Voter Information Cards and 20,000 household postcards, is budgeted in City Clerk – Elections Printing – Account #101.215.262.7901; postage is budgeted in City Clerk – Elections Postage – Account #101.215.262.730 (2026 Budget)

Recommendation

City Management and the Troy Election Commission recommend approval of the revisions to the Troy Precinct Map



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Attachments:

- Troy Election Commission Draft Minutes April 7, 2025 Current City of Troy Precinct Map (2022) List of Polling Locations Current and Proposed Attachment 1:
- Attachment 2:
- Attachment 3:
- 2025 Proposed City of Troy Precinct Map Attachment 4:

ELECTION COMMISSION MINUTES – Draft

April 7, 2025

A meeting of the Troy Election Commission was held April 7, 2025, at City Hall, 500 W. Big Beaver Road. City Clerk Dickson called the Meeting to order at 2:02 PM.

Roll Call:

PRESENT: Steve Sadlier, M. Aileen Dickson, Ray Watts

Approval of Minutes:

Resolution # EC-2025-04-001 Motion by Sadlier Seconded by Watts

RESOLVED, That the following Meeting Minutes are **APPROVED** as submitted:

- Election Commission Meeting Minutes October 14, 2024
- Election Coordinating Committee January 23, 2025

Yes: All-3 No: None

MOTION CARRIED

Recommendation to Troy City Council for Approval of the City of Troy Precinct Boundaries and Polling Locations

Resolution # EC-2025-04-002 Motion by Watts Seconded by Sadlier

WHEREAS, The City of Troy has 37 precincts and 20 polling locations, as established in 2022; and,

WHEREAS, Michigan Election Law requires that the precinct boundaries must be approved by the Troy Election Commission prior to the approval of the Troy City Council;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Troy Election Commission hereby **APPROVES** the proposed precinct boundaries and polling locations, which will reduce the number of precincts to 27 and the number of polling locations to 18, as submitted by the Troy City Clerk, and **RECOMMENDS** approval to Troy City Council.

Yes: All-3 No: None

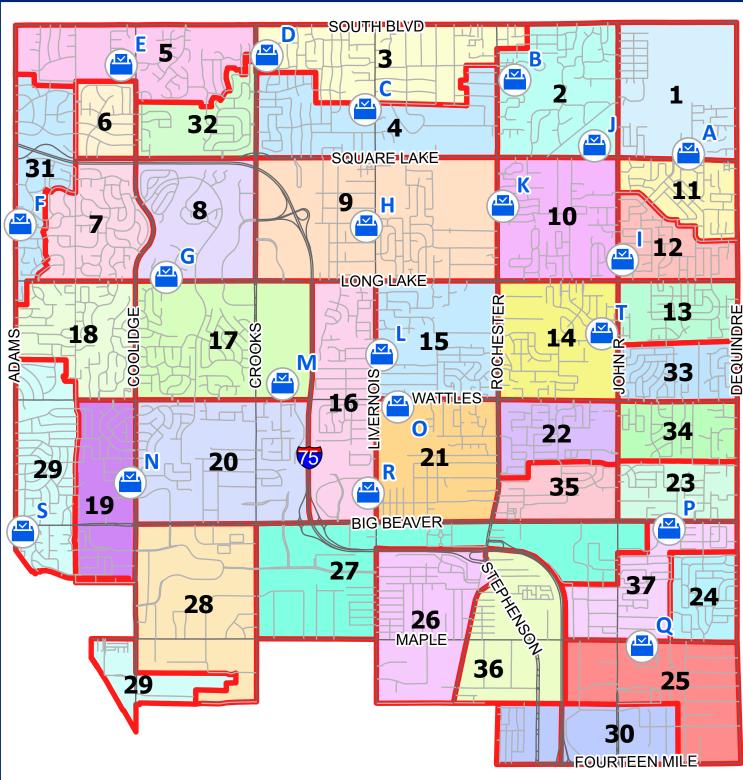
MOTION CARRIED

Public Comment: None

Adjournment:

The meeting was **ADJOURNED** at 3:09 PM.

M. Aileen Dickson, MMC, MiPMC3 City Clerk

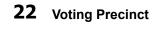


ATTACHMENT 2 - 2022 Map



Voting Precinct Map

PRECINCT	LOCATION	ADDRESS	MAP ID
1	Evanswood Church of God	2601 E Square Lake	Α
2	Woodside Bible Church	6600 Rochester	В
3	First United Methodist Church	6363 Livernois	С
4	First United Methodist Church	6363 Livernois	С
5	Faith Apostolic Church	6710 Crooks	D
6	Troy Nature Center	6685 Coolidge	E
7	St. Stephen Episcopal Church	5500 Adams	F
8	Northfield Hills Baptist Church	1800 W Long Lake	G
9	SALT Church	5475 Livernois	н
10	Woodside Bible Church	6600 Rochester	В
11	Evanswood Church of God	2601 E Square Lake	Α
12	Bethesda Romanian Pentecostal Church	2075 E Long Lake	1
13	Kensington Community Church	1825 E Square Lake	J
14	Bridge Community Church	5700 Rochester	к
15	Bridge Community Church	5700 Rochester	K
16	First Presbyterian Church	4328 Livernois	L
17	St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church	760 W Wattles	М
18	St. Stephen Episcopal Church	5500 Adams	F
19	Lutheran Church of the Master	3333 Coolidge	N
20	St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church	760 W Wattles	м
21	St. Lucy Croatian Church	200 E Wattles	0
22	St. Lucy Croatian Church	200 E Wattles	0
23	St. Joseph Chaldean Catholic Church	2442 E Big Beaver	Р
24	St. Joseph Chaldean Catholic Church	2442 E Big Beaver	Р
25	St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church	2160 E Maple	Q
26	Troy Community Center	3179 Livernois	R
27	Troy Community Center	3179 Livernois	R
28	Lutheran Church of the Master	3333 Coolidge	N
29	Central Woodward Christian Church	3955 W Big Beaver	S
30	St. Joseph Chaldean Catholic Church	2442 E Big Beaver	Р
31	Troy Nature Center	6685 Coolidge	E
32	Faith Apostolic Church	6710 Crooks	D
33	Kensington Community Church	1825 E Square Lake	J
34	St. Anastasia Catholic Church	4571 John R	Т
35	St. Anastasia Catholic Church	4571 John R	T
36	Troy Community Center	3179 Livernois	R
37	St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church	2160 E Maple	Q



Polling Location

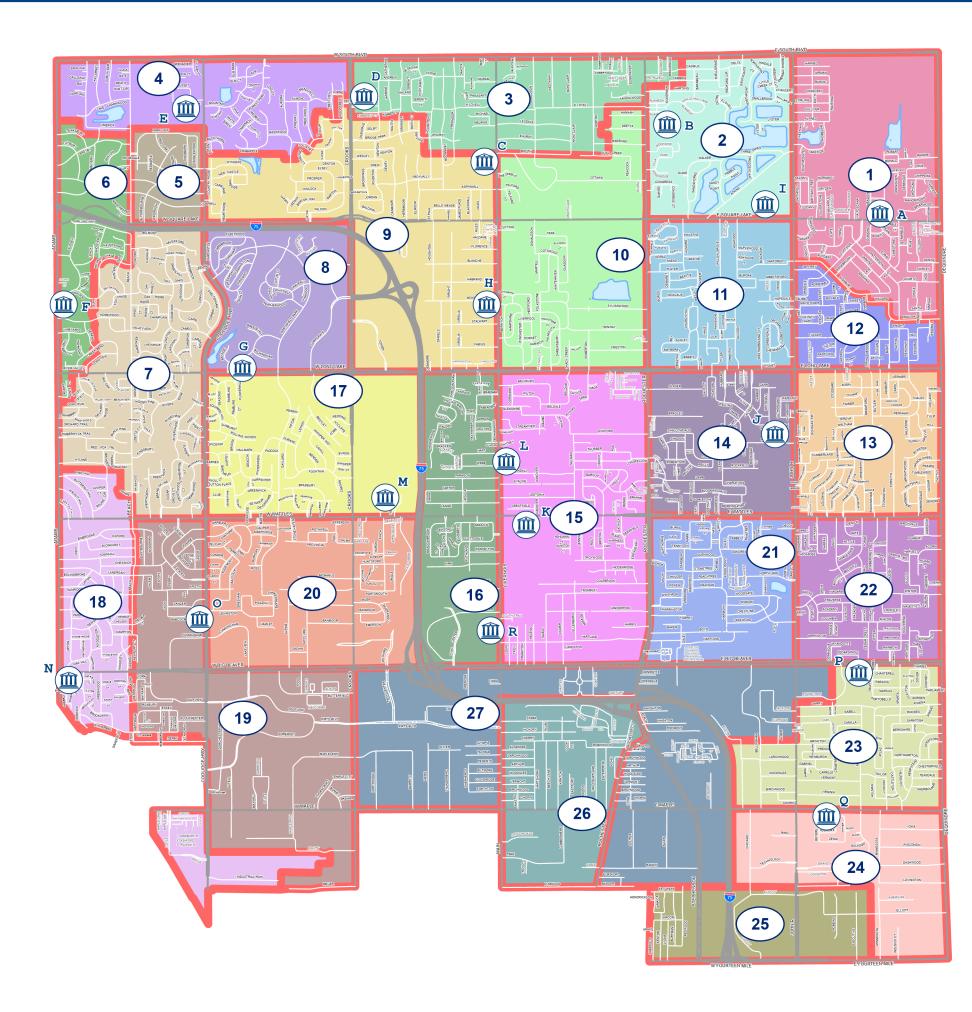
Effective: 5-4-2022

Troy Precinct Map 2025 Revisions

PRECINCT #	BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION	POLLING LOCATION
1	Section 1 in its entirety; Portion of Section 12 north of Highbury, east of Harbor, north of Willard, north and east of English	Evanswood Church of God 2601 E. Square Lake Rd.
2	Portion of Section 2 that lies within Troy School District boundary	Woodside Bible Church 6600 Rochester Rd.
3	Portions of Sections 2, 3 and 4 that lie within Avondale School District boundary	First United Methodist Church 6363 Livernois Rd.
4	Portions of Sections 5 and 6 that lie within the Avondale School District boundary	Faith Apostolic Church 6710 Crooks Rd.
5	Portion of Section 6 that lies within the Troy School District boundary	Troy Nature Center 6685 Coolidge Hwy.
6	Portions of Sections 6, 7 and 18 that lie within the Bloomfield Hills School District	St. Stephen Episcopal Church 5500 Adams Rd.
7	Portion of Section 7 from the west boundary line of the Troy School District, to the portion of Section 8 west of Coolidge Hwy; Portion of Section 18 that lies within the Troy School District boundary	St. Stephen Episcopal Church 5500 Adams Rd.
8	Portion of Section 8 east of Coolidge Hwy	Northfield Hills Baptist Church 1800 W. Long Lake Rd.
9	Portion of Section 5 that lies within the Troy School District boundary; Portion of Section 4 that lies within the Troy School District boundary; Section 9 in its entirety	SALT Church 5475 Livernois
10	Portion of Section 3 that lies within the Troy School District boundary; Section 10 in its entirety	First United Methodist Church 6363 Livernois Rd.
11	Section 11 in its entirety	Woodside Bible Church 6600 Rochester Rd.
12	Section 12 south of Highbury, west of Harbor, south of Willard, south and west of English	Kensington Community Church 1825 E. Square Lake Rd.
13	Section 13 in its entirety	Kensington Community Church 1825 E. Square Lake Rd.
14	Section 14 in its entirety	St. Anastasia Catholic Church 4571 John R Rd.
15	Section 15 in its entirety; Section 22 in its entirety	St. Lucy Croatian Church 200 E. Wattles Rd.

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16	Portion of Section 16 east of I-75 and the portion of Section 21 east of I-75	First Presbyterian Church 4328 Livernois Rd.
17	Portion of Section 16 west of I-75 and Section 17 in its entirety	St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church 760 W. Wattles Rd.
18	Portions of Section 18, Section 19, Section 30, Section 31 and Section 32 that lie within the Birmingham School District boundary	Central Woodward Christian Church 3955 W. Big Beaver Rd.
19	Portions of Section 19 and 30 that lie within the Troy School District boundary; Section 29 in its entirety; portion of Section 32 that lies within the Troy School District boundary	Lutheran Church of the Master 3333 Coolidge Hwy.
20	Section 20 in its entirety and the portion of Section 21 west of I-75	St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church 760 W. Wattles Rd.
21	Section 23 in its entirety	St. Anastasia Catholic Church 4571 John R Rd.
22	Section 24 in its entirety	St. Joseph Chaldean Catholic Church 2442 E. Big Beaver Rd.
23	Portions of Sections 26 and 25 that lie within the Warren Consolidated Schools District	St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church 2160 E. Maple Rd.
24	Portions of Section 35 and Section 36 that lie within the Warren Consolidated Schools District boundary	St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church 2160 E. Maple Rd.
25	Portion of Section 35 that lies within the Royal Oak School District boundary; portion of Section 36 that lies within the Lamphere School District boundary	St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church 2160 E. Maple Rd.
26	Portions of Section 27 south of I-75 and west of Rochester Rd.; and Section 34 west of Rochester Rd.	Troy Community Center 3179 Livernois Rd.
27	Section 28 in its entirety; portion of Section 27 north of I-75 and east of Rochester Rd.; portion of Sections 25, 26, and 35 within the Troy School District boundary; portion of Section 34 east of Rochester Rd	Troy Community Center 3179 Livernois Rd.





PRECINCT	ADDRESS	LOCATION	MAP ID
1	2601 E SQUARE LAKE	EVANSWOOD CHURCH OF GOD	А
2	6600 ROCHESTER	WOODSIDE BIBLE CHURCH	В
3	6363 LIVERNOIS	FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH	С
4	6710 CROOKS	FAITH APOSTOLIC CHURCH	D
5	6685 COOLIDGE	TROY NATURE CENTER	E
6	5500 ADAMS	ST STEPHEN EPISCOPAL CHURCH	F
7	5500 ADAMS	ST STEPHEN EPISCOPAL CHURCH	F
8	1800 W LONG LAKE	NORTHFIELD HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH	G
9	5475 LIVERNOIS	SALT CHURCH	Н
10	6363 LIVERNOIS	FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH	С
11	6600 ROCHESTER	WOODSIDE BIBLE CHURCH	В
12	1825 E SQUARE LAKE	KENSINGTON COMMUNITY CHURCH	
13	1825 E SQUARE LAKE	KENSINGTON COMMUNITY CHURCH	
14	4571 JOHN R	ST ANASTASIA CATHOLIC CHURCH	J
15	200 E WATTLES	ST LUCY CROATIAN CHURCH	K
16	4328 LIVERNOIS	FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH	L
17	760 W WATTLES	ST NICHOLAS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH	М
18	3955 W BIG BEAVER	CENTRAL WOODWARD CHRISTIAN CHURCH	Ν
19	3333 COOLIDGE	LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE MASTER	0
20	760 W WATTLES	ST NICHOLAS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH	М
21	4571 JOHN R	ST ANASTASIA CATHOLIC CHURCH	J
22	2442 E BIG BEAVER	ST JOSEPH CHALDEAN CATHOLIC CHURCH	Р
23	2160 E MAPLE	ST GEORGE ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH	Q
24	2160 E MAPLE	ST GEORGE ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH	Q
25	2160 E MAPLE	ST GEORGE ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH	Q
26	3179 LIVERNOIS	TROY COMMUNITY CENTER	R
27	3179 LIVERNOIS	TROY COMMUNITY CENTER	R

ATTACHMENT 4 - Proposed 2025 Map



