

1 **Ordinance to Amend and Re-Enact Chapter 12 of the City Code of the City of Hampton,**  
2 **Virginia to Amend an Existing Precinct, Establish a New Precinct, and Establish a New**  
3 **Polling Place for the New Precinct**  
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5 **WHEREAS**, Virginia Code §§ 15.2-1427 and 15.2-1433 enable a local governing body to adopt,  
6 amend, and codify ordinances or portions thereof;  
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8 **WHEREAS**, Virginia Code §§ 24.2-305, 24.2-306, 24.2-307, 24.2-310, and 24.2-310.1 set forth  
9 the requirements for establishing precincts and polling places within the City;  
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11 **WHEREAS**, the proposed ordinance amendments will amend the existing East Hampton precinct  
12 boundaries and create a new precinct identified as the Hampton University precinct with a polling  
13 place at the Hampton University Convocation Center;  
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15 **WHEREAS**, the Hampton University Convocation Center is located within the new precinct and  
16 provides suitable facilities to serve as a polling place, and Hampton University has expressed a  
17 willingness to serve as the new polling place and execute a polling place license agreement with  
18 the City;  
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20 **WHEREAS**, notice of the proposed ordinance amendments has been published in a newspaper  
21 having general circulation in the precinct once a week for two successive weeks;  
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23 **WHEREAS**, the City Council wishes to amend and update City Code for the foregoing reasons;  
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25 **WHEREAS**, the full text of the proposed ordinance amendments and associated maps were  
26 available for public inspection in the Hampton Voter Registrar's Office, 101 Kings Way, Hampton,  
27 VA 23669 and on the Voter Registrar's Office website at: [https://www.hampton.gov/263/Voter-](https://www.hampton.gov/263/Voter-Registrar)  
28 [Registrar](https://www.hampton.gov/263/Voter-Registrar);  
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30 **WHEREAS**, after proper advertisement was made as required by law, a public hearing was  
31 conducted on December 10, 2025 in Council Chambers, Eighth Floor, City Hall, 22 Lincoln Street,  
32 Hampton, VA 23669; and  
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34 **WHEREAS**, if the proposed ordinance amendments are adopted, prior to implementation, the  
35 City shall, pursuant to Virginia Code § 24.2-129(D), submit the proposed polling place change to  
36 the Virginia Office of the Attorney General to request the issuance of a certificate of no objection.  
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38 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Hampton, Virginia that  
39 the City Code of the City of Hampton, Virginia is hereby amended and this ordinance is hereby  
40 enacted as follows:  
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- 42 **1. Section 12-49 of the City Code of the City of Hampton, Virginia be amended to read**  
43 **as follows and Sections 12-51 and 12-86 be adopted to read as follows:**  
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45 **Sec. 12-49. - East Hampton precinct.**  
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47 The East Hampton precinct shall be composed of all the territory situate within the  
48 following described boundaries: Commencing at the point of intersection of the waters of ~~the~~  
49 Hampton ~~River and East Mercury Boulevard~~ Roads and the waters of the Johns Creek;  
50 meandering thence in a westerly direction along the waters of Hampton Roads to the point of  
51 intersection with the Hampton River; meandering thence in a northerly direction along the water

of the Hampton River to the point of intersection with East Mercury Boulevard; running thence in a southeasterly direction along the centerline of East Mercury Boulevard to the point of intersection with North Mallory Street; running thence in a southwesterly direction along the centerline of North Mallory Street to the point of intersection with South Mallory Street; running thence in a southwesterly direction along the centerline of South Mallory Street to the *intersection of Interstate 64, running thence in a northerly direction along the centerline of Interstate 64 to the intersection of the waters of an unnamed branch of the Hampton River; meandering thence in a westerly and southwesterly direction along the waters of the unnamed branch of the Hampton River to its point of intersection with the waters of the Hampton River-Johns Creek, meandering thence in a northerly direction along the waters of the Hampton River to the point of intersection with East Mercury Boulevard,* the point or place of beginning.

**Sec. 12-51. – Hampton University precinct.**

*The Hampton University precinct shall be composed of all the territory situate within the following described boundaries: Commencing at the point of intersection of the waters of Hampton Roads and the waters of Johns Creek; meandering thence in a northwesterly direction along the waters of Hampton Roads to the point of intersection with the Hampton River; meandering thence in a northerly direction along the waters of the Hampton River, crossing Settlers Landing Road bridge, to the point of intersection with the waters of an unnamed branch of the Hampton River; meandering thence in an easterly and northeasterly direction along the waters of the unnamed branch of the Hampton River to the intersection of Interstate 64; running thence in a southerly direction along the centerline of Interstate 64 to the intersection of South Mallory Street; running thence in a southwesterly direction along the centerline of South Mallory Street to the point of intersection with the waters of Johns Creek, meandering thence in a southwesterly direction along the waters of Johns Creek to its intersection with the waters of Hampton Roads, the point or place of beginning.*

**Sec. 12-51~~2~~. – 12-55. – Reserved.**

**Sec. 12-86. – Hampton University precinct.**

*The polling place in the Hampton University Precinct shall be located at Hampton University Convocation Center, 700 Emancipation Drive.*

**Sec. 12-86~~7~~. – 12-90. – Reserved.**

2. Except as amended herein, all City Code provisions remain in effect.
3. This ordinance shall become effective upon the issuance of a certificate of no objection by the Virginia Office of the Attorney General, pursuant to Virginia Code § 24.2-129(D).