New wards are effective upon publication for the next upcoming election; except that, in municipalities wherein municipal officers are elected at a regular municipal election held on the second Tuesday in May, if the publication shall be completed in a year in which municipal officers are elected during the period between the date 75 days before the regular municipal election and the date of the election, the wards so fixed and determined shall take effect on the day following the holding of that regular municipal election. N.J.S.A. 40:44-16.

DESCRIPTIONS OF NEW WARD BOUNDARIES

The following data resources were provided by the NJDEP Stream centerlines 2015; NJDOT Street centerlines 2015; TeleAtlas Street centerlines 2010. The parcels (2021) were provided and referenced as the interpretation made by the New Jersey Geographic Information Network (NJGIN). The municipal boundaries 2021, were provided and referenced as the interpretation made by the NJ Office of GIS. This source data was utilized for the preparation of the election district word description as stipulated under N.J.S.A. 19:4-13 et seq., as required by Administrative Law 13:17-3.1 for submission to the Office of the New Jersey Secretary of State (SOS).

The Township of Montclair in the County of Essex in the State of New Jersey is comprised of a total of Four (4) Wards. Due to population changes and other concerns documented during Census 2020, new boundaries for these wards are required to meet Title 40, 40A (Municipalities, Counties) guidelines and the Township’s current needs. The new boundaries for these wards are described herein.

Ward One

The First Ward of the Township of Montclair shall include all of the territory and inhabitants thereof contained, in an area which is bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point where the physical centerline of Bradford Avenue is intersected by a point on the Township of Montclair and the Township of Cedar Grove, Essex County shared border;

Thence, Northeasterly, following along the Township of Montclair and the Township of Cedar Grove, Essex County shared border, crossing the physical centerline of Normal Avenue, to a point on the Township of Montclair, Township of Cedar Grove, Essex County and the Township of Little Falls, Passaic County shared border;

Thence, Southeasterly, following along the Township of Montclair, Essex County and the Township of Upper Mountain Avenue (County Route 620) and then crossing the centerline of the New Jersey Transit Montclair-Boonton Railroad Line, to a point on the Township of Montclair, Essex County and the Township of Little Falls, City of Clifton, Passaic County shared border;

Thence, South then Southeast, following along the Township of Montclair, Essex County and the Township of Little Falls, City of Clifton, Passaic County shared border, crossing the physical centerline of Valley Road (County Route 621) and then crossing the centerline of Grove Street (County Route 623), to a point on the Township of Montclair, Township of Bloomfield, Essex County and the City of Clifton, Passaic County shared border;
Ward One (cont’d)

Thence, Southwesterly, following along the Township of Montclair and the Township of Bloomfield, Essex County shared border, crossing the physical centerline of Alexander Avenue (County Route 643) and then crossing the centerline of Bellevue Avenue, to a point where said boundary intersects the extended physical centerline of Chester Road;

Thence, West, following along the extended physical centerline of Chester Road, crossing over the tax assessment property line of block 4601, lot 1, to a point where said boundary is intersected by the physical centerline of Chester Road at its terminus;

Continue, West, following along the physical centerline of Chester Road at its terminus, to a point where said boundary intersects the physical centerline of Grove Street (County Route 623) and the physical centerline of Carolin Road;

Continue, West, following along the physical centerline of Carolin Road, to a point where said boundary intersects the physical centerline of North Fullerton Avenue;

Thence, Southwest, following along the physical centerline of North Fullerton Avenue, to a point where said boundary intersects the physical centerline of Gordonhurst Avenue;

Thence, West, following along the physical centerline of Gordonhurst Avenue, to a point where said boundary intersects the physical centerline of Park Street;

Continue, Southwest, following along the physical centerline of Park Street, to a point where said boundary intersects the physical centerline of Watchung Avenue (County Route 655);

Thence, West, following along the physical centerline of Watchung Avenue (County Route 655), to a point where said boundary intersects the physical centerline of the New Jersey Transit Montclair-Boonton Railroad Line;

Proceed, North, following along the physical centerline of the New Jersey Transit Montclair-Boonton Railroad Line, to its point of intersection with the physical centerline of Bellevue Avenue;

Thence, West, following along the physical centerline of Bellevue Avenue, to a point where said boundary intersects the physical centerline of Upper Mountain Avenue (County Route 620);

Proceed, Northeast, following along the physical centerline of Upper Mountain Avenue (County Route 620), to a point where said boundary intersects the physical centerline of Bradford Avenue;

Thence, Southwest, following along the physical centerline of Bradford Avenue, to a point where said boundary intersects with the Township of Montclair and the Township of Cedar Grove, Essex County shared border, which is also the point of beginning.

Ward Two

The Second Ward of the Township of Montclair shall include all of the territory and inhabitants thereof contained, in an area which is bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point where the physical centerline of Claremont Avenue is intersected by the physical centerline of Crestmont Road, which is also a point on the Township of Montclair and the Township of Verona, Essex County shared border;
Ward Two (cont’d)

Thence, Northeast, following along the physical centerline of Crestmont Road, which is also a point on the Township of Montclair and the Township of Verona, Essex County shared border, to a point where said boundary intersects with a point on the Township of Montclair, Township of Verona and the Township of Cedar Grove, Essex County shared border;

Continue, Northeasterly, following along the Township of Montclair and the Township of Cedar Grove, Essex County shared border, to its point of intersection with the physical centerline of Bradford Avenue;

Proceed, East, following along the physical centerline of Bradford Avenue, to its point of intersection with the physical centerline of Upper Mountain Avenue (County Route 620);

Thence, Southwest, following along the physical centerline of Upper Mountain Avenue (County Route 620), to its point of intersection with the physical centerline of Bellevue Avenue;

Thence, East, following along the physical centerline of Bellevue Avenue, to its point of intersection with the physical centerline of the New Jersey Transit Montclair-Boonton Railroad Line;

Thence, South, following along the physical centerline of the New Jersey Transit Montclair-Boonton Railroad Line, to its point of intersection with the physical centerline of Watchung Avenue (County Route 655);

Thence, East, following along the physical centerline of Watchung Avenue (County Route 655), to its point of intersection with the physical centerline of Park Street;

Continue, Northeast, following along the physical centerline of Park Street, to its point of intersection with the physical centerline of Gordonhurst Avenue;

Proceed, East, following along the physical centerline of Gordonhurst Avenue, to its point of intersection with the physical centerline of North Fullerton Avenue;

Thence, Northeast following along the physical centerline of North Fullerton Avenue, to its point of intersection with the physical centerline of Carolin Road;

Thence, East, following along the physical centerline of Carolin Road, to its point of intersection with the physical centerline of Grove Street (County Route 623) and the physical centerline of Chester Road;

Continue, East, from the physical centerline of Grove Street (County Route 623), following along the physical centerline of Chester Road, to its point of intersection with the physical centerline of Chester Road at its terminus and the tax assessment property line of block 4601, lot 87;

Continue, East, following along the extended physical centerline of Chester Road from its terminus, crossing over the tax assessment property line of block 4601, lot 87, to its point of intersection with a point on the Township of Montclair and the Township of Bloomfield, Essex County shared border;

Thence, Southwest, following along the Township of Montclair and the Township of Bloomfield, Essex County shared border, crossing the physical centerline of Watchung Avenue (County Route 655), to its point of intersection with the physical centerline of Ardsley Road;
**Ward Two (cont’d)**

Thence, West, following along the physical centerline of Ardsley Road, to a point where said boundary intersects the physical centerline of Grove Street (County Route 623);

Continue, Southwest, following along the physical centerline of Grove Street (County Route 623), to a point where said boundary intersects the physical centerline of Chestnut Street;

Thence, West, following along the physical centerline of Chestnut Street, to a point where said boundary intersects the physical centerline of the New Jersey Transit Montclair-Boonton Railroad Line;

Thence, South, following along the physical centerline of the New Jersey Transit Montclair-Boonton Railroad Line, to a point where said boundary is intersected by the physical centerline Walnut Street;

Thence, West, following along the physical centerline of Walnut Street, to a point where said boundary is intersected by the physical centerline of Valley Road (County Route 621);

Thence, Southwest, following along the physical centerline of Valley Road (County Route 621), to a point where said boundary is intersected by the physical centerline of Claremont Avenue;

Thence, Northwest, following along the physical centerline of Claremont Avenue, crossing over the physical centerline of Bloomfield Avenue (County Route 506), to a point where said boundary is intersected by the physical centerline of Crestmont Road, which is also a point on the Township of Montclair and the Township of Verona, Essex County shared border and also the point of beginning.

**Ward Three**

*The Third Ward of the Township of Montclair shall include all of the territory and inhabitants thereof contained, in an area which is bounded and described as follows:*

Beginning at a point where the physical centerline of Harrison Avenue (County Route 656) is intersected by the Township of Montclair and the Township of West Orange, Essex County shared border;

Thence, Northerly, from the physical centerline of Harrison Avenue (County Route 656), following along the Township of Montclair and the Township of West Orange, Essex County shared border, to its point of intersection with another point on the Township of Montclair and the Township of West Orange, Essex County shared border;

Proceed, Northeasterly, following along the Township of Montclair and the Township of West Orange, Essex County shared border, to its point of intersection with a point on the Township of Montclair, Township of West Orange and the Township of Verona, Essex County shared border;

Continue, Northeasterly, following along the Township of Montclair and the Township of Verona, Essex County shared border, to its point of intersection with the physical centerline of Claremont Avenue;
Ward Three (cont’d)

Thence, Southeast, following along the physical centerline of Claremont Avenue, crossing over the physical centerline of Bloomfield Avenue (County Route 506), to a point where said boundary is intersected by the physical centerline of Valley Road (County Route 621);

Thence, Northeast, following along the physical centerline of Valley Road (County Route 621), to a point where said boundary is intersected by the physical centerline of Walnut Street;

Thence, Southeast, following along the physical centerline of Walnut Street, to a point where said boundary is intersected by the physical centerline Greenwood Avenue;

Thence, Southwest, following along the physical centerline of Greenwood Avenue, crossing the physical centerline of Glenridge Avenue, to a point where said boundary is intersected by the physical centerline Lackawanna Plaza;

Thence, South, following along the physical centerline of Lackawanna Plaza, to a point where said boundary is intersected by the physical centerline of Gates Avenue and the physical centerline of Bloomfield Avenue (County Route 506);

Thence, Southwest, following along the physical centerline of Gates Avenue, from the physical centerline of Bloomfield Avenue (County Route 506) to a point where said boundary is intersected by the physical centerline of Hawthorne Place;

Thence, Southeast, following along the physical centerline of Hawthorne Place, to a point where said boundary is intersected by the physical centerline Elm St (County Route 656);

Thence, West, following along the physical centerline of Llewellyn Road, to a point where said boundary is intersected by the physical centerline Harrison Avenue (County Route 656);

Thence, South, following along the physical centerline of Harrison Avenue (County Route 656), to a point where said boundary is intersected by a point on the Township of Montclair and the Township of West Orange, Essex County shared border, which is also the point of beginning.

Ward Four

The Fourth Ward of the Township of Montclair shall include all of the territory and inhabitants thereof contained, in an area which is bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point where the physical centerline of Harrison Avenue (County Route 656) is intersected by the Township of Montclair and the Township of West Orange, Essex County shared border;

Thence, North, following along the physical centerline of Harrison Avenue (County Route 656), to a point where said boundary is intersected by the physical centerline Llewellyn Road;

Thence, East, following along the physical centerline of Llewellyn Road, to a point where said boundary is intersected by the physical centerline Elm Street (County Route 668);

Thence, Northeast, following along the physical centerline of Elm Street (County Route 668), to a point where said boundary is intersected by the physical centerline Hawthorne Place;
Ward Four (cont’d)

Thence, Northwest, following along the physical centerline of Hawthorne Place, to a point where said boundary is intersected by the physical centerline Gates Avenue;

Thence, Northeast, following along the physical centerline of Gates Avenue, to a point where said boundary is intersected by the physical centerline Lackawanna Plaza and the physical centerline of Bloomfield Avenue (County Route 506);

Thence, North, following along the physical centerline of Lackawanna Plaza, to a point where said boundary is intersected by the physical centerline Greenwood Avenue;

Thence, Northeasterly, following along the physical centerline of Greenwood Avenue, crossing the physical centerline of Glenridge Avenue, to a point where said boundary is intersected by the physical centerline Walnut Street;

Thence, Southeast, following along the physical centerline of Walnut Street, to a point where said boundary is intersected by the physical centerline the New Jersey Transit Montclair-Boonton Railroad Line;

Thence, North, following along the physical centerline of the New Jersey Transit Montclair-Boonton Railroad Line, to a point where said boundary intersects the physical centerline of Chestnut Street;

Continue, Southeast, following along the physical centerline of Chestnut Street, to a point where said boundary intersects the physical centerline of Grove Street (County Route 623);

Thence, Northeast, following along the physical centerline of Grove Street (County Route 623), to a point where said boundary intersects the physical centerline of Ardsley Road;

Thence, Southeast, following along the physical centerline of Ardsley Road, to its point of intersection with a point on the Township of Montclair and the Borough of Glen Ridge, Essex County shared border;

Thence, Southwesterly, following along the Township of Montclair and the Borough of Glen Ridge, Essex County shared border, crossing the physical centerline of Bloomfield Avenue (County Route 506), to its point of intersection with a point on the Township of Montclair, Borough of Glen Ridge, City of Orange Township and the City of East Orange, Essex County shared border, which is also the physical centerline of Orange Road (County Route 669);

Thence, Northwesterly, from the physical centerline of Orange Road (County Route 669), following along the Township of Montclair and the Township of Orange City, Essex County shared border, to its point of intersection with a point on the Township of Montclair, City of Orange Township and the Township of West Orange, Essex County shared border;

Continue, Northwesterly, following along the Township of Montclair and the Township of West Orange, Essex County shared border, to a point where said boundary intersects the physical centerline of Harrison Avenue (County Route 656), which is also the point of beginning.

The Township of Montclair is currently located in Legislative District Thirty-Four and split between Congressional District Ten and Congressional District Eleven.
A copy of the report setting forth and properly describing the ward boundaries as fixed and
determined by the Ward Commission of Essex County at its meeting held on January 12, 2022,
together with a map of the municipality with the ward boundaries clearly marked thereon is
and will be available to members of the general public during regular business hours in the
Office of the Township Clerk, 205 Claremont Avenue, Montclair, New Jersey.

Angelese Bermúdez Nieves, Township Clerk