

ORDINANCE NO. 5-04-1

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ABBEVILLE, ALABAMA, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, ESTABLISHING A CENTRALIZED VOTING LOCATION FOR ALL MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS AT THE CITY OF ABBEVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER LOCATED AT 103 ARMORY DRIVE, ABBEVILLE, ALABAMA.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Abbeville, Alabama, A Municipal Corporation, as follows:

SECTION I. DESIGNATION OF CENTRALIZED VOTING LOCATION

The City of Abbeville, Alabama, A Municipal Corporation hereby establishes a centralized voting location at the Abbeville Community Center located at 103 Armory Drive, Abbeville, Alabama. The City of Abbeville, Alabama, A Municipal Corporation shall maintain the Five (5) Districts and a City Council Member shall be elected from each of the Five (5) Districts. All voting machines and municipal election material shall be located at the Abbeville Community Center located at 103 Armory Drive, Abbeville, Alabama. The voting for all Five (5) established Districts shall be conducted at the Abbeville Community Center. Pursuant to Alabama Code § 11-46-24 (1975), as amended, the City of Abbeville, Alabama, A Municipal Corporation shall provide at least one (1) voting machine for the voters of each of the Five (5) districts. The election officials shall consist of one (1) chief inspector who shall supervise the conduct of the other officials and the operation of the voting place, one (1) inspector, and one (1) chief clerk and, for each voting machine to be used at the voting place there shall be appointed two (2) assistant clerks. The elections officials serving at the voting places, shall be compensated for their services in the same manner and at the same rates provided by law for elections officers pursuant to Alabama Code § 11-46-27 (1975), as amended.

SECTION II. ORDINANCE PENDING APPROVAL OF U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION

The ordinance is adopted pending the approval and consent of the U. S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division. In the event, the U. S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division does not consent to the establishment of centralized voting for the City of Abbeville, Alabama, A Municipal Corporation, the three (3) voting locations previously utilized for municipal elections shall be used for the 2004 Municipal Elections. In the event, the U. S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division does not consent to the establishment of centralized voting for the City of Abbeville, Alabama, A Municipal Corporation, this ordinance shall be repealed.

SECTION III. SEVERABILITY

The provisions of this ordinance are severable. If any part of this ordinance is declared invalid or unconstitutional, such declaration shall not affect the part which remains.

SECTION IV. REPEAL

This ordinance does not repeal any other prior ordinance concerning the establishment of five (5) voting districts which has been previously adopted by the City of Abbeville, Alabama, a municipal corporation.

SECTION V. EFFECTIVE DATE

The provisions of this ordinance shall become effective upon passage and publication. The provisions of this ordinance are also subject to the consent and approval of the U. S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division.

ADOPTED this the 3rd day of May, 2004.

**CITY OF ABBEVILLE, ALABAMA, A
MUNICIPAL CORPORATION**

BY: 
DAN BLALOCK, MAYOR

ATTEST:


J. M. GIGANTI, JR., CITY CLERK