MEMORANDUM

TO: City of Austin Candidates

FROM Jannette Goodall, City Clerk

DATE: May 5, 2014

SUBJECT: Annual Adjustment of Campaign Finance Limits

Article III Section 8(A)(1) and 8(A)(3), of the Austin City Charter, requires campaign finance limits to be modified annually with the adoption of the budget to increase or decrease in accordance with the most recently publicized federal government, Bureau of Labor Statistics Indicator, Consumer Price Index U.S. City Average (CPI-W U.S. City Average).

Article III, Section 8, reads as follows:

§ 8. LIMITS ON CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES.

(A) Limits On Contributions To Candidates.

(1) No candidate for Mayor or City Council and his or her campaign committee shall accept campaign contributions in excess of $300 [see below for current index amount] per contributor per election from any person, except for the candidate and small-donor political committees. The amount of the contribution limit shall be modified each year with the adoption of the budget to increase or decrease in accordance with the most recently published federal government, Bureau of Labor Statistics Indicator, Consumer Price Index (CPI-W U.S. City Average) U.S. City Average. The most recently published Consumer Price Index on May 13, 2006, shall be used as a base of 100 and the adjustment thereafter will be to the nearest $50.00.
[Using the current CPI, the campaign contribution limit amount is modified to $350.00.]

(3) No candidate and his or her committee shall accept an aggregate contribution total of more than $30,000 [see below for current index amount] per election, and $20,000 [see below for current index amount] in the case of a runoff election, from sources other than natural persons eligible to vote in a postal zip code completely or partially within the Austin city limits. The amount of the contribution limit shall be modified each year with the adoption of the budget to increase or decrease in accordance with the most recently published federal government, Bureau of Labor Statistics Indicator, Consumer Price Index (CPI-W U.S. City Average) U.S. City Average. The most recently published Consumer Price Index on May 13, 2006, shall be used as a base of 100 and the adjustment thereafter will be to the nearest $1,000.00.
[**Using the current CPI, the aggregate contribution limit is modified to $35,000 per election, and $23,000 per runoff election.]**

Attached are a list and a map showing postal zip codes that are completely/partially within the Austin city limits.

If you have questions, please contact the City Clerk's office at (512) 974-2210.

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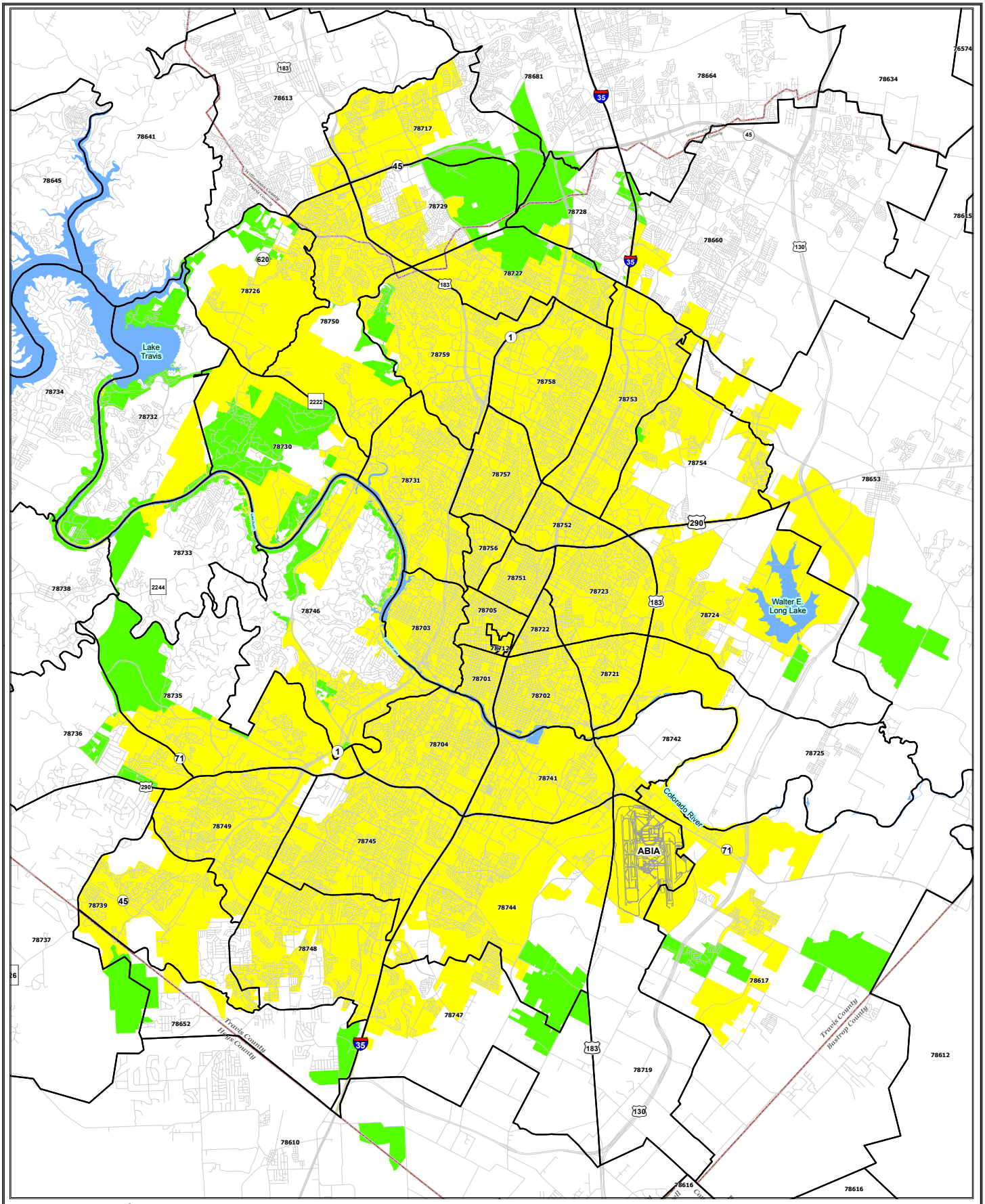

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