



To Whom it May Concern:

This correspondence pertains to a disagreement regarding the legal boundary used to tabulate the residents of the City of Spring Hill, Tennessee in the 2020 Census. The information that follows is provided in conjunction with our challenge of the 2020 Census results that were reported by your agency in the Public Law 94-171 Redistricting Data release on August 12, 2021.

Our detailed review of the corporate limits shown in the redistricting data identified an important and meaningful discrepancy between the city's adopted boundaries and data published by your agency. The area in question relates to an annexation that occurred in 2007. On first reading, the Board of Mayor and Alderman annexed a 174.3-acre parcel into the City of Spring Hill through its adoption of Ordinance 07-04 on February 20, 2007. The annexation was codified on second reading at the board's March 19, 2007 regular meeting and became effective on April 18, 2007. The entirety of the area annexed in Ordinance 07-04 remained in effect on January 1, 2020. The ordinance was recorded as required and a copy is included.

The basis for the town's boundary challenge of the 2020 Census is the incomplete manner in which the area described in Ordinance 07-04 was mapped. The annexed area included property described as Parcel 9 on Maury County Tax Map 44 and was owned by Arrowhead Land Company at the time of the city's action. Of the 174.3 acres described in the ordinance, only 134.4 acres were added to the Census Bureau's place boundary for the City of Spring Hill. A portion on the northwest corner of the parcel, measuring 39.9 acres was not included. This area is shown in green on the map entitled *Boundary Comparison.pdf* and in the shapefile *cqr20\_SpringHill\_14700070580\_changes\_incplace*.

Numerous actions of the town's Planning Commission and Board of Mayor and Alderman have occurred since the annexation and the 39.9 acre area that was excluded from the town's corporate limits now contains a residential subdivision called Cobblestone Village.

We identify 123 housing units that were impacted by the incomplete representation of Spring Hill's city limits in the 2020 Census. Addresses for each unit were obtained from the State of Tennessee's Strategic Technology Solutions Next Generation 911 data. This data was gathered by the State Data Center at the University of Tennessee in 2019 prior to the commencement of counting activities and serves as further evidence of the unit's availability for occupancy by April 1, 2020. These addresses are listed in the Address List Template (XLSX) obtained from your website and provided with the documentation materials which we have prepared.

As further evidence of each unit's availability for occupancy by April 1, 2020, a catalog of aerial photos was created showing the location of each housing unit, its address and the addresses of surrounding housing units. The photography was acquired by Vexcel Imaging between March 20 and March 22, 2019

for the Strategic Technology Solutions – Geographic Information Systems (STS-GIS) group at the Tennessee Department of Finance and Administration. A flight index and letter from the STS-GIS Director provides additional information about the acquisition and is also provided as part of our supporting documentation. These records are provided to confirm the existence of units which your agency has previously enumerated in 2020.

The CQR Participants Guide provides instructions on completing a digital submission and we provide the following materials in accordance with that guidance.

1. Address List
  - a. Address-list-template.xlsx
2. PDF Maps
  - a. Boundary comparison.pdf
  - b. Boundary comparison with blocks.pdf
3. Shapefiles
  - a. cqr20\_SpringHill\_14700070580\_changes\_incplace.shp
  - b. cqr20\_SpringHill\_14700070580\_WholeEntity.shp
4. Supporting Documentation
  - a. Ordinance 07-04.pdf
  - b. Housing Unit Map Series.pdf
  - c. Vexcel 2020 Access Distribution Letter -Education.pdf
  - d. Vexcel\_BlueSky\_FlightDatesMap\_2020.pdf

For ongoing communication regarding this CQR submission I designate the following contact to be an authorized representative of the City of Spring Hill:

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Thank you for your consideration,

Sincerely,



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