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BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT CONSULTATION

SCHOOL COMMUNITIES:

St. Thomas of Villanova Catholic Secondary School
Cardinal Carter Catholic Secondary School
Holy Name Catholic Elementary School
St. Mary's French Immersion Catholic Elementary School

RECOMMENDATION:

On June 13th, 2017 at the Regular Board Meeting the following recommendations were approved by the Board of Trustees; namely:

That the Board approve the establishment of a Boundary Review Committee pursuant to the Board Policy A:22, School Boundary, in order to study the proposed recommendations of Senior Administration and consult with the affected stakeholders; and

That subject to public consultation, the Board approve in principle the proposed boundary adjustment options for future students in the current Cardinal Carter and St. Thomas of Villanova Catholic Secondary School boundaries.

SYNOPSIS:

This boundary consultation is based on the recommendation of the Board to engage in a consultative process in accordance with Board Policy A:22, School Boundary regarding potential boundary recommendations for students. This process will support the respective school communities by providing secondary school choice and its associated opportunities for our students and enhancing retention rates.

To this end, students, parents, guardians, community members and stakeholders are invited to attend a Boundary Consultation to review the boundary adjustment process.

Date: Tuesday, June 20th, 2017
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Location: Holy Name Catholic Elementary School - Library

BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT - RECOMMENDATIONS:

The following recommendations were proposed by Senior Administration:

- 1) Create a shared Cardinal Carter/Villanova area that aligns with Ward 1, Essex urban centre (see Map: *Proposed STOV/CART Boundaries in Essex Area* – noted as **Shared Cart/STOV**);
- 2) Provide board-sponsored transportation for graduating students of Holy Name Catholic Elementary and St. Mary's French Immersion Catholic Elementary Schools within the Ward 1, Essex urban centre to their school of choice; namely: Cardinal Carter Catholic Secondary School or St. Thomas of Villanova Catholic Secondary School;
- 3) Adjust the existing Cardinal Carter boundary west of County Road 23 (Arner Townline) and west/southwest of Highway #3 to be incorporated into the St. Thomas of Villanova boundary (see Map: *Proposed STOV/CART Boundaries in Essex Area* – noted as **To STOV**); and
- 4) Provide board-sponsored transportation for graduating students of Holy Name Catholic Elementary and St. Mary's French Immersion Catholic Elementary Schools within this former Cardinal Carter boundary to St. Thomas of Villanova Catholic Secondary School.
- 5) Students currently residing in the proposed boundary area, namely south of town (Essex) and up to the Arner Town Line, currently attending Cardinal Carter Secondary School will be grandfathered for transportation.

TIMELINES:

Upon approval of the proposed boundary changes, the Board would establish and implement the boundary adjustments for the 2017-18 school year.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- *Board Policy A:22, School Boundary*
- *Proposed STOV/CART Boundaries in Essex Area (Map)*
- *Current STOV/CART Boundaries in Essex Area (Map)*



POLICY

1. The purpose of this policy is to establish criteria for the development and review of elementary and secondary school boundaries.
2. The objective of the school boundary policy shall be to achieve the greatest good for the greatest number of our students and their families. It shall be implemented in keeping with our mission and shall be mindful of the best and most prudent use of all resources available to us.
3. The Windsor-Essex Catholic District School Board is required to operate schools that are educationally advantageous and economically efficient. Various factors beyond the Board's control will impact on this commitment. These include declining, increasing and shifting populations, current funding and operational realities, changing educational objectives and physical limitations.
4. The Board, through its administration shall continuously monitor these factors and plan for pupil accommodations. This may result in an administrative recommendation that a particular boundary or boundaries be adjusted.
5. This policy applies to all new schools and to amendments to established school boundaries.

PRINCIPLES

Boundaries shall be established for all schools operated by the Board.

Elementary school boundaries where possible shall be developed to create neighbourhood/community school(s). The boundary of the school shall be of a sufficient size to sustain the long term operation of the school at a full or a near full capacity level. However, it is recognized that in order for a school to reach the mature sustainable enrolment it will experience levels of peak enrolment that may necessitate temporary accommodation.

Secondary school boundaries shall be developed based on the associate elementary school boundaries and/or geographic parameters.

REQUIREMENTS

Where possible, highways, railroad lines, parks, and major open spaces, utility corridors, along real lot lines and the mid-point of arterial roads shall be used for locations for school boundary limits.

School boundaries shall be set giving consideration to maximization of a safe walking route to school.

A proposed school boundary report shall be developed by Administration and approved "in principle" by the Board.

The Chair of the Board will create a Boundary Review Committee that will consist of two trustees (at least one of the trustees will be from the affected area) and a member of senior administration who will act as a resource.

The purpose of the Boundary Review Committee will be to study the recommendations of the administration report and to hear from concerned parents and others affected by the recommendations.

All those who may be affected by the recommendations shall be notified by the affected school(s) Principal(s) as to date, time and location of the consultation meetings. (School Councils, local Parish Priest, interested community members, etc.)

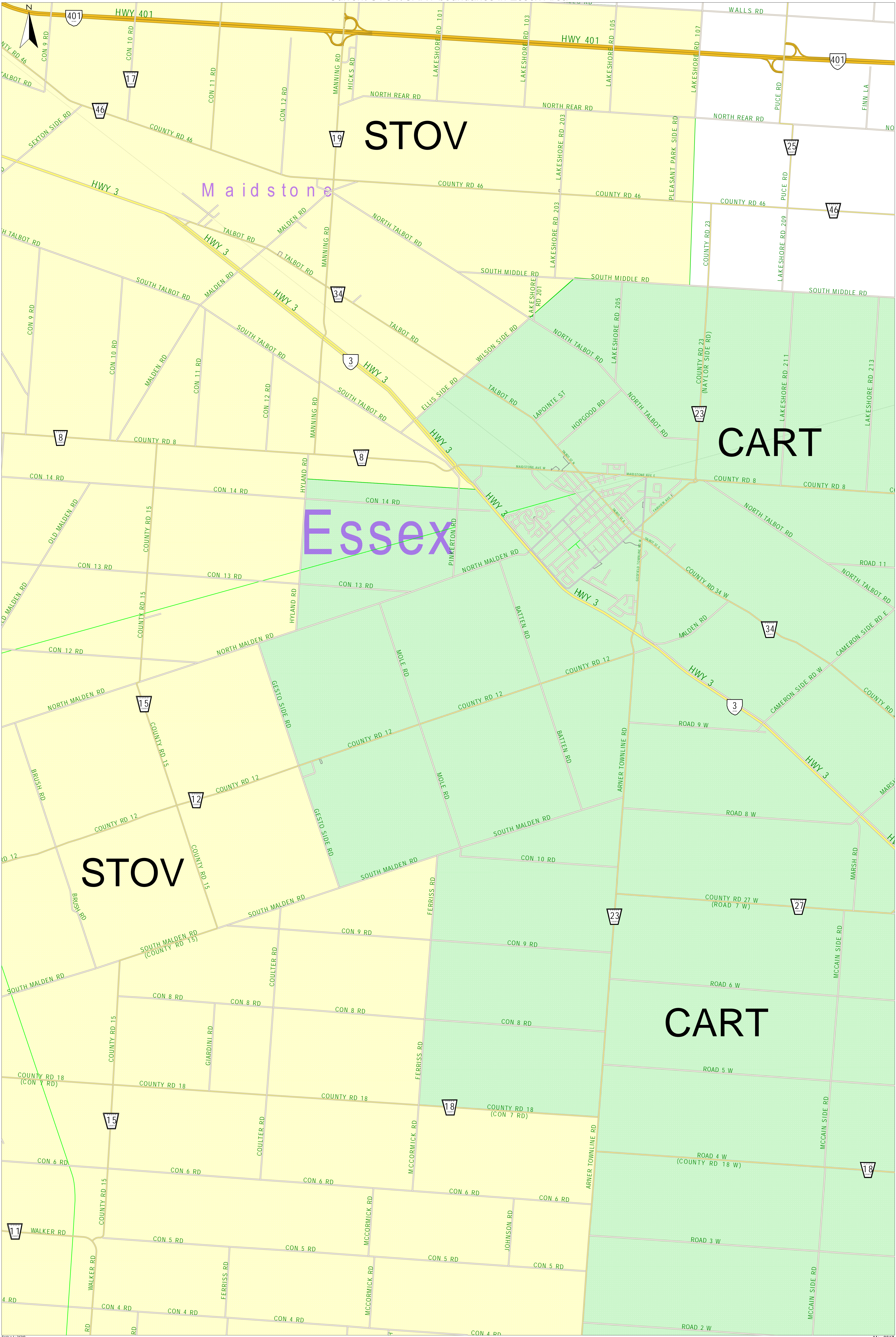
The Boundary Review Committee will then issue its report with recommendations to the whole Board for approval. If approval is granted, the recommendations will be acted upon in an appropriate time manner as set out in the report. If the report is not accepted the Board may then ask the present committee to do further review; the Board may modify and approve the report ; or the Board may decide to bring an end to the review process at this time.

Approved by Board: March 25, 2003

Related Policy: **A:05 School Closure/Pupils Accommodation Review**

Related Board Committee:

Policy Review Date: September 25, 2003



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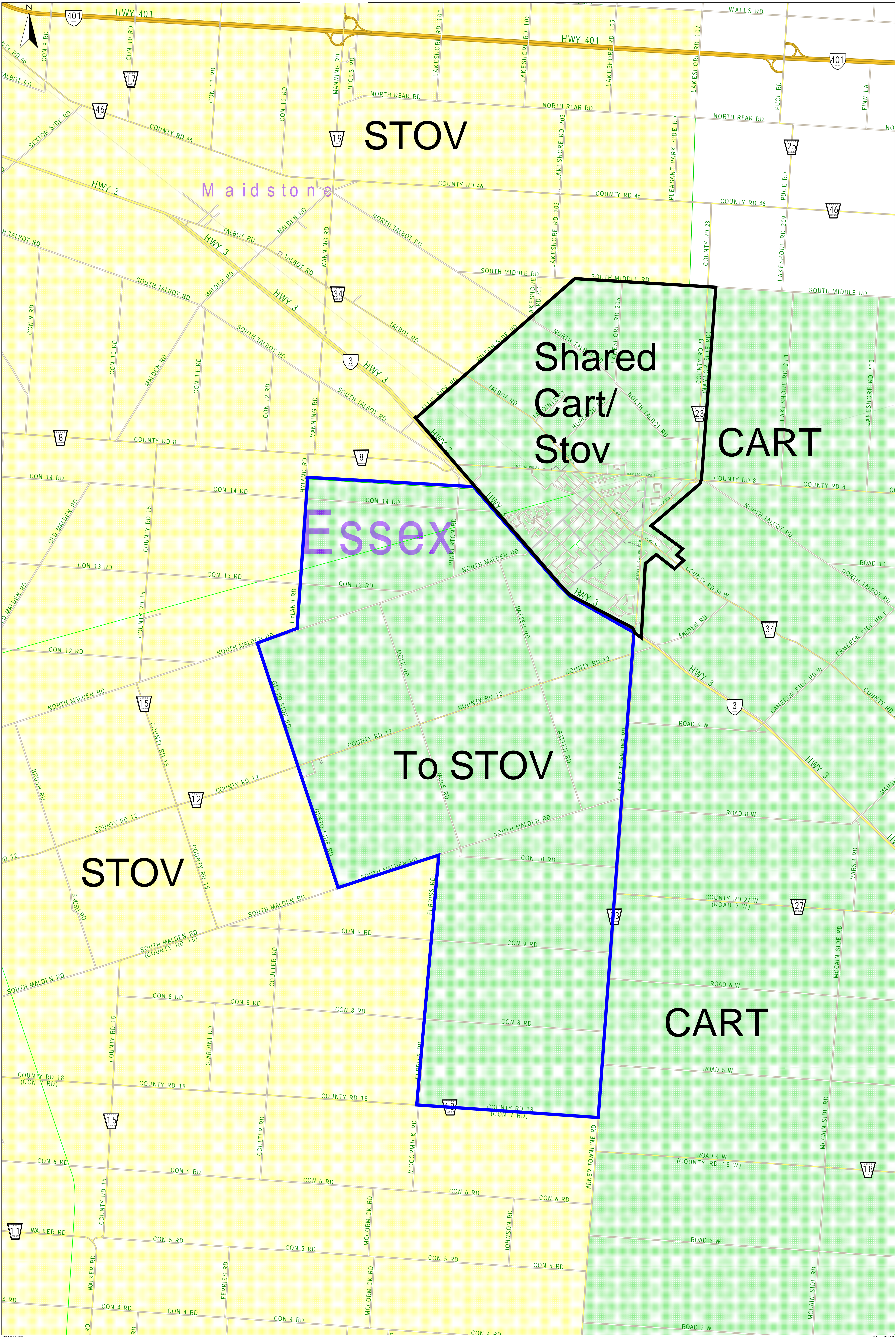
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