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CITY COUNCIL.

AN ORDINANCE

**AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR ELECTION SERVICES FOR THE
MAY 6, 2017 JOINT GENERAL AND BOND ELECTION WITH THE
BEXAR COUNTY ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR IN AN AMOUNT
NOT TO EXCEED \$367,919.92.**

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WHEREAS, on February 9, 2017, by Ordinance Nos. 2017-02-09-0067, 2015-02-12-0068 and 2015-02-26-0144, the City of San Antonio ordered elections for Saturday, May 6, 2017, for the purpose of holding the 2017 Bond Election and electing the Mayor and City Council members; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Antonio has historically contracted with the Bexar County Elections Administrator to conduct its municipal elections jointly with other political subdivisions within the county and provide services including, but not limited to:

- a) Procuring and distributing election supplies, to include the printing and distribution of ballots for mail balloting;
- b) Copying the ordinances ordering the sales and use tax and Charter amendment elections, and providing copies in English and Spanish at all early voting and election day polling places;
- c) Hiring, training, and paying Election Judges, Clerks, and other election personnel;
- d) Securing early voting and election day polling sites;
- e) Programming Election equipment to be utilized during early voting and election day;
- f) Transporting Election equipment to each polling site;
- g) Conducting early voting, in person, and by mail;
- h) Conducting election day voting; and
- i) Tabulating election returns; and

WHEREAS, participation in a Joint Election with other political subdivisions, authorized by Section 271.002(a) of the Texas Election Code, allows the entities to share common expenses for voting machines, election facilities, and poll workers, reducing the cost of the election for each political subdivision, and provides greater convenience to voters to participate in the elections of multiple political subdivisions at one polling place on one single ballot; and

WHEREAS, it is now necessary to authorize a contract in accordance with Section 31.092 of the Texas Election Code, whereby the Bexar County Elections Administrator will provide election services to the City in connection with the Saturday, May 6, 2017 Joint Election; **NOW THEREFORE:**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The City Manager, or her designee, is authorized to execute a contract with Bexar County through the Bexar County Elections Administrator for conducting the Joint Election on Saturday, May 6, 2017, authorized by Sections 31.092 and 271.002(a) of the Texas Election Code. A copy of the contract for election services for the Election, in substantially final form, is attached and incorporated as **Attachment 1**. The Joint Election Agreement is attached as **Attachment 2**. The list of early voting polling places is attached as **Attachment 3**. The list of election day precincts and polling places is attached as **Attachment 4**.

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SECTION 2. Funding in the amount of \$367,919.92 for this ordinance is available in Fund 11001000, Cost Center 2701010001 and General Ledger 5201030, as part of the Fiscal Year 2017 Budget.

SECTION 3. Payment not to exceed of \$367,919.92 is authorized Bexar County Elections Office for election services in connection with the Saturday, May 6, 2017 Joint election, and should be encumbered with a purchase order. Bexar County shall refund to the City any and all City of San Antonio funds remaining after the payment of all election costs.

SECTION 4. The financial allocations in this Ordinance are subject to approval by the Director of Finance, City of San Antonio. The Director of Finance, may, subject to concurrence by the City Manager or the City Manager's designee, correct allocations to specific SAP Fund Numbers, SAP Project Definitions, SAP WBS Elements, SAP Internal Orders, SAP Fund Centers, SAP Cost Centers, SAP Functional Areas, SAP Funds Reservation Document Numbers, and SAP GL Accounts as necessary to carry out the purpose of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5. The Bexar County Elections Administrator shall provide copies of the ordinances ordering the bond election and the Charter amendment election at each early voting and election day voting site.

SECTION 6. The Bexar County Elections Administrator is authorized to appoint election officials to serve as judges and clerks for early voting and election day, members of the Early Voting Ballot Board, Signature Verification Committee and Central Counting Station, in connection with the election.

SECTION 7. The City of San Antonio will canvass the City's election returns on Wednesday, May 17, 2017.

SECTION 8. This ordinance is effective immediately, upon passage by eight affirmative votes; otherwise, the effective date shall be ten days from the date of passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 30th day of March, 2017.

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ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

Andrew Segovia, City Attorney