



City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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In Control: City Council A Session

DEPARTMENT: Office of the City Clerk

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: City-Wide

SUBJECT:

Contract for Election Services with Bexar County for the May 6, 2017 General and Special Bond Election.

SUMMARY:

The Ordinance authorizes the execution of a contract for Election Services with the Bexar County Elections Office for the City of San Antonio's General and Special Bond Election scheduled for Saturday, May 6, 2017. The Ordinance will authorize the conduct of the Election and establish Early Voting and Election Day Polling Sites.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Section 271.002(a) of the Texas Election Code authorizes two or more political subdivisions to enter into an agreement to hold elections jointly in the election precincts that can be served by common polling places.

ISSUE:

Participation in a Joint Election with other political subdivisions allows the entities to share common expenses for voting machines, election facilities, and poll workers, thereby reducing the cost of the election for each

political subdivision. Joint Elections provide greater convenience to voters to participate in the elections of multiple political subdivisions at one polling place on one single ballot.

ALTERNATIVES:

N/A.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Due to the joint participation of various entities in the May 6, 2017 Election, the cost to the City of San Antonio is approximately \$367,919.92. Funding is available in the FY 2017 Municipal Elections General Fund Budget.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Office of the City Clerk requests approval of the Contract for Election Services with Bexar County.