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COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON

JOINT ELECTION AGREEMENT AND CONTRACT FOR ELECTION SERVICES

THIS Joint Election Agreement and Contract for Election Services ("Contract") is made by and between the Williamson County Elections Administrator ("Elections Administrator") and political subdivisions ("Participating Authority" or "Participating Authorities") located entirely or partially inside the boundaries of Williamson County. The complete list of Participating Authorities will be available after the final day to cancel an election as prescribed by the Secretary of State's election calendar and will be listed as **Attachment A**.

This Contract is made pursuant to Texas Election Code Sections 31.092 and 271.002 and Texas Education Code Section 11.0581 for a joint election to be held on the uniform election date of November 6, 2018, and administered by Christopher Davis, Williamson County Elections Administrator. This Contract supersedes any and all prior contracts and agreements to conduct joint elections between a Participating Authority and the Williamson County Elections Office.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, each Participating Authority listed above plans to hold an election on November 6, 2018;

WHEREAS, Williamson County owns an electronic voting system, the Election System and Software (ES&S) iVotronic/ M650 Voting System (Version 3.0.1.1), which has been duly approved by the Secretary of State pursuant to Texas Election Code Chapter 122 as amended, and is compliant with the accessibility requirements for persons with disabilities set forth by Texas Election Code Section 61.012. The Participating Authorities desire to use Williamson County's electronic voting system, to compensate Williamson County for such use, and to share in certain other expenses connected with joint elections, in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapters 31 and 271 of the Texas Election Code, as amended, and

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants, agreements, and benefits to the parties, IT IS AGREED, as follows:

I. ADMINISTRATION

The Participating Authorities agree to hold a "Joint Election" with Williamson County and each other in accordance with Chapter 271 of the Texas Election Code and this Contract. The Elections Administrator shall coordinate, supervise, and handle all aspects of administering the Joint Election as provided in this Contract. Each Participating Authority agrees to pay the Elections Administrator for equipment, programming, election personnel, supplies, services, and administrative costs as provided in this Contract. The Elections Administrator shall serve as the Election Officer for the Joint Election; however, each Participating Authority shall remain responsible for the decisions and actions of its officers necessary for the lawful conduct of its election. The Elections Administrator shall provide advisory services in connection with decisions to be made and actions to be taken by the officers of each Participating Authority as necessary.

It is understood that other political subdivisions and districts may wish to participate in the use of Williamson County's electronic voting system and polling places, and it is agreed that the Elections Administrator may enter into other contracts for election services for those purposes, on terms and conditions generally similar to those set forth in this Contract. In such cases, costs shall be pro-rated among the participants according to Section XII of this Contract.

II. LEGAL DOCUMENTS

Each Participating Authority shall be responsible for the preparation, adoption, and publication of all required election orders, resolutions, notices, and any other pertinent documents required by the Texas Election Code and/or the Participating Authority's governing body, charter, or ordinances, except that the Elections Administrator shall be responsible for the preparation and publication of all voting equipment testing notices that are required by the Texas Election Code. Election orders should include language that would not necessitate amending the order if any of the Early Voting and/or Election Day polling places change.

Preparation of the necessary materials for notices and the official ballot shall be the responsibility of each Participating Authority, including providing the text in English and Spanish. Each Participating Authority shall provide a copy of their respective election orders and notices to the Elections Administrator.

III. NONPERFORMANCE

The Elections Administrator will inform each Participating Authority of any problems or deficiencies in their respective performance of obligations under this contract, including but not limited to non-adherence to deadlines for requests for information of each Participating Authority by the Elections Administrator, and may set a reasonable period of time to cure or obtain adequate assurance that any such problems or deficiencies will be timely addressed and corrected. **The Participating Authority's failure to cure problems or deficiencies related to its obligations, duties, and responsibilities in accordance with all terms and conditions of this Agreement will be considered in any future contracts with Elections Administrator or Williamson County, and any Participating Authority failing to perform will reimburse Elections Administrator for any additional costs and expenses to Williamson County, including all costs associated with interference of conducting the election.**

IV. VOTING LOCATIONS

The Elections Administrator shall select and arrange for the use of and payment for all Election Day voting locations. Voting locations shall be compliant with the accessibility requirements established by Election Code Section 43.034 and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The proposed Election Day voting locations are listed in **Attachment B** of this Contract and may be amended. In the event a voting location is not available or appropriate, the Elections Administrator will arrange for use of an alternate location. The Elections Administrator shall notify the Participating Authorities of any changes from the locations listed in **Attachment B**.

If polling places for the November 6, 2018 Joint Election are different from the polling place(s) used by a Participating Authority in its most recent election, the Participating Authority agrees to post a notice no later than November 6, 2018 at the entrance to any previous polling places in the jurisdiction stating that the polling location has changed and listing the Participating Authority's polling place names and addresses in effect for the November 6, 2018 election. This notice shall be written in both the English and Spanish languages.

V. ELECTION JUDGES, CLERKS, AND OTHER ELECTION PERSONNEL

The Elections Administrator will recruit all election workers.

The Elections Administrator will take the necessary steps to insure that all election judges appointed for the Joint Election are eligible to serve and meet the eligibility requirements in Subchapter C of Chapter 32 of the Texas Election Code and meet any requirements to serve as an Election Worker set forth by the Williamson County Commissioners Court.

The Elections Administrator shall arrange for the training and compensation of all election judges, clerks, and election personnel. The Elections Administrator shall arrange for the date, time, and place for the presiding election judges to pick up their election supplies. As set forth in Sec. 32.009 of the Texas Election Code, each presiding election judge and alternate presiding judge shall be given written notice of their appointment. The notice from the Elections Administrator will include the polling location and the number of election clerks the presiding judge may appoint.

Each election judge and clerk will receive compensation at the hourly rate established by Williamson County pursuant to Texas Election Code Section 32.091. The election judge, or his designee, will receive an additional sum of \$25.00 for picking up the election supplies prior to Election Day and for returning the supplies and equipment to the central counting station after the polls close.

The compensation rates established by Williamson County are:

Early Voting – Early Voting Supervisor (\$12 an hour), Clerks (\$10 an hour)
Early Voting – EV Mobile Team: Supervisor (\$14 an hour), Clerks (\$12 an hour)
Election Day – Presiding Judge (\$12 an hour), Alternate Judge (\$10 an hour), Clerk (\$10 an hour)

Election judges and clerks who attend voting equipment and procedures training shall be compensated at the hourly rates listed above.

The Elections Administrator may employ other personnel as necessary for the proper administration of the election, including such part-time help as is necessary to prepare for the election, to ensure the timely delivery of supplies during Early Voting and on Election Day, for the efficient tabulation of ballots at the central counting station, and for the post-election processes conducted by warehouse personnel. Part-time personnel working in support of the Early Voting Ballot Board and/or central counting station on Election Night will be compensated at the hourly rate set by Williamson County in accordance with Election Code Sections 87.005, 127.004, and 127.006.

In accordance with Sec. 31.098 of the Texas Election Code, the Elections Administrator is authorized to contract with third persons for election services and supplies. The actual cost of such third-person services and supplies will be paid by the Elections Administrator and reimbursed by the Participating Authorities.

VI. PREPARATION OF SUPPLIES AND VOTING EQUIPMENT

The Elections Administrator shall arrange for all election supplies and voting equipment including, but not limited to, Williamson County's electronic voting system and equipment, official ballots, sample ballots, voter registration lists, and all forms, signs, maps and other materials used by the election judges at the voting locations. The Elections Administrator shall ensure availability of tables and chairs at each polling place and shall procure rented tables and chairs for those polling places that do not have a sufficient number of tables and/or chairs. The Elections Administrator shall be responsible for conducting all required testing of the electronic equipment, as required by Chapters 127 and 129 of the Texas Election Code.

Joint participants shall share voting equipment and supplies to the extent possible. A single ballot containing all the offices or propositions stating measures to be voted on at a particular polling place may be used in a joint election. A voter may not be permitted to select a ballot containing an office or proposition stating a measure on which the voter is ineligible to vote. Multiple ballot styles shall be available in those shared polling places where jurisdictions do not overlap. The Elections Administrator shall provide the necessary voter registration information, maps, instructions, and other information needed to enable the election judges in the voting locations that have more than one ballot style to conduct a proper election.

Each Participating Authority shall furnish the Elections Administrator with a list of candidates and/or propositions showing the order and the exact manner in which the candidate names and/or proposition(s) are to appear on the official ballot (including titles of offices and text in both English and Spanish languages). The Participating Authorities are required to submit information in a format or template requested by the Elections Office. Each Participating Authority shall be responsible for proofreading and approving the ballot insofar as it pertains to that authority's candidates and/or propositions. Each Participating Authority shall also be responsible for proofing and approving the audio recording of the ballot insofar as it pertains to that authority's candidates and/or propositions.

In the event a Participating Authority identifies an error after approval of their respective ballot proof(s), and any programming and/or audio files require changes, the Participating Authority approving the original ballot and audio proof will be responsible for the full cost of reprogramming, if required. This will include the cost of reprogramming ballot language and/or audio files for other Participating Authorities as necessary due to software limitations.

Early Voting by Personal Appearance and/or the use of Vote Centers, Texas Election Code Section 43.007, on Election Day shall be conducted exclusively on Williamson County's iVotronic electronic voting system. Provisional ballots will be cast on paper ballots.

The Elections Administrator shall be responsible for the programming, preparation, testing, and delivery of the voting system equipment for the election as required by the Election Code.

The Elections Administrator shall conduct criminal background checks for relevant election officials, staff, and temporary workers upon hiring as required by Election Code 129.051(g).

VII. EARLY VOTING

The Participating Authorities agree to conduct joint Early Voting and to appoint the Election Administrator as the Early Voting Clerk in accordance with Sections 31.097 and 271.006 , Texas Election Code. Each Participating Authority agrees to appoint the Elections Administrator's permanent county employees as Deputy Early Voting clerks. The Participating Authorities further agree that the Elections Administrator may appoint other Deputy Early Voting clerks to assist in the conduct of Early Voting as necessary, and that these additional Deputy Early Voting clerks shall be compensated at an hourly rate set by Williamson County pursuant to Section 83.052 of the Texas Election Code. Deputy Early Voting clerks who are permanent employees of the Williamson County Elections Administrator may be paid from the election services contract fund for contractual duties performed outside of normal business hours (Sec. 31.100(e), Texas Election Code).

Early Voting by personal appearance will be held at the locations, dates, and times listed in **Attachment C** of this document and may be amended. In the event a voting location is not available or appropriate, the Elections Administrator will arrange for use of an alternate location. The Elections Administrator shall notify the Participating Authorities of any changes from the locations listed in **Attachment C**. Any Williamson County qualified voter of the Joint Election may vote early by personal appearance at any one of the joint Early Voting locations.

As Early Voting Clerk, the Elections Administrator shall receive applications for Early Voting ballots to be voted by mail in accordance with Chapters 31 and 86 of the Texas Election Code. Any requests for Early Voting ballots to be voted by mail received by the Participating Authorities shall be forwarded immediately by fax or courier to the Elections Administrator for processing. The address of the Early Voting Clerk is as follows:

Mailing Address
Early Voting Clerk
Williamson County Elections Office
PO Box 209
Georgetown, TX 78627

Physical Location
Early Voting Clerk
301 SE Inner Loop, Suite 104
Georgetown, TX 78626

After the first day of Early Voting, the Elections Administrator shall post on the Williamson County Elections Office webpage, the Early Voting turnout by Early Voting polling location by day and a cumulative final Early Voting turnout report following the close of Early Voting.

VIII. EARLY VOTING BALLOT BOARD

Williamson County shall appoint an Early Voting Ballot Board (EVBB) to process Early Voting results from the Joint Election. The Presiding Judge, with the assistance of the Elections Administrator, shall appoint two or more additional members to constitute the EVBB. The Elections Administrator shall determine the number of EVBB members required to efficiently process the Early Voting ballots.

IX. CENTRAL COUNTING STATION AND ELECTION RETURNS

The Elections Administrator will take the necessary steps for establishing and operating the central counting station to receive and tabulate the voted ballots in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code and of this Contract.

The Counting Station Manager or an approved representative shall deliver timely cumulative reports of the election results as precincts report to the central counting station and are tabulated. The Counting Station Manager shall be responsible for releasing unofficial cumulative totals and precinct returns from the election to the joint participants, candidates, press, and general public by distribution of hard copies at the central counting station and by posting to the Williamson County Elections Office webpage. To ensure the accuracy of reported election returns, results printed on the tapes produced by Williamson County's voting equipment will not be released to the Participating Authorities at any individual polling locations.

The Elections Administrator will prepare the unofficial canvass reports that are necessary for compliance with Election Code Section 67.004, after all precincts have been counted and will deliver a copy of the unofficial canvass to each Participating Authority as soon as possible after all returns have been tabulated. Each Participating Authority shall be responsible for the official canvass of its respective election(s). The official canvass of election shall not take place before November 9, 2018 and no later than November 20, 2018.

The Elections Administrator will prepare the electronic precinct-by-precinct results reports for uploading to the Secretary of State as required by Section 67.017 of the Election Code. Each Participating Authority agrees to upload these reports.

The Elections Administrator shall be responsible for conducting the post-election manual recount required by Section 127.201 of the Texas Election Code unless a waiver is granted by the Secretary of State. Notification and copies of the recount, if waiver is denied, will be provided to each Participating Authority and the Secretary of State's Office.

X. PARTICIPATING AUTHORITIES WITH TERRITORY OUTSIDE WILLIAMSON COUNTY

Williamson County Elections will consider conducting elections in territories outside of Williamson County on a case-by-case basis.

XI. RUNOFF ELECTIONS

Each Participating Authority shall have the option of extending the terms of this Contract through its runoff election, if applicable. In the event of such runoff election, the terms of this Contract shall automatically extend unless the Participating Authority notifies the Elections Administrator in writing within 3 business days of the original election.

Each Participating Authority shall reserve the right to reduce the number of Early Voting locations and/or Election Day voting locations in a runoff election. If necessary, any voting changes made by a Participating Authority between the original election and the runoff election shall be submitted by the authority making the change to the United States Department of Justice for the preclearance required by the Federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended.

Each Participating Authority agrees to order any runoff election(s) at its meeting for canvassing the votes from the November 6, 2018 election and to conduct its drawing for ballot positions at or immediately following such meeting in order to expedite preparations for its runoff election.

Each Participating Authority eligible to hold runoff elections after the November 6, 2018 Uniform Election Date agrees that the date of a necessary runoff election shall be held in accordance with the Election Code.

XII. ELECTION EXPENSES AND ALLOCATION OF COSTS

Charges. In consideration for the joint election services provided hereunder by the Elections Administrator, the Participating Authorities will be charged a share of election costs, a staffing agency fee for election workers, an administrative fee, and for the lease of voting equipment.

1. **Share of Election Costs.** Each Participating Authority's share of election costs will be (i) a base fee of \$1,000.00, (ii) plus a pro rata share of the total of all costs incurred by the Elections Administrator in connection with the administration of elections of other entities held at the same time as the election. The sum of the base charges from all Participating Authorities will be subtracted from the total of all costs before allocating the remaining costs to each Participating Authority. Each Participating Authority's share of the remaining (allocated) costs will be determined as follows: The number of registered voters in each individual Participating Authority will be divided by the number of all registered voters of all Participating Authorities to determine each entity's pro rata share expressed as a percentage, which will then be multiplied against each of the allocated costs (remaining costs after base charges are subtracted) as itemized on the final Total Cost report/invoice submitted to each

Participating Authority after the election. The end result will be a charge to the Participating Authority of \$1,000.00 plus the Participating Authority's allocated share of county-wide election costs not covered by the sum of all base fees received.

2. Each Participating Authority's share of the staffing agency fee for election workers will be determined on a pro rata basis. The staffing agency fee is based on a markup cost percentage of 27% of the gross wages of election workers not classified as employees of Williamson County.
3. Lease of Voting Equipment. Per Texas Election Code Section 123.032(d), the Williamson County Commissioners Court has established the following prices for leasing county-owned voting equipment:
 - \$250.00 per ADA iVotronic DRE;
 - \$250.00 per iVotronic DRE;
 - \$85.00 per iVotronic printer;
 - \$250.00 per electronic pollbook.

The Participating Authority's share of voting equipment costs will be determined on a pro rata basis. Leasing cost will be calculated once for the Early Voting period and once for Election Day. If the County acquires additional equipment, different voting equipment, or upgrades existing equipment during the term of this Contract, the charge for the use of the equipment may be reset by the Williamson County Commissioners Court.

4. Administrative Fee. Each Participating Authority agrees to pay the Williamson County Elections Administrator an administrative fee equal to ten percent (10%) of its total billable costs, less the staffing agency fee, in accordance with Section 31.100(d) of the Texas Election Code.

The Elections Administrator shall deposit all funds payable under this Contract into the appropriate fund(s) within the Williamson County treasury in accordance with Election Code Section 31.100.

XIII. WITHDRAWAL FROM CONTRACT DUE TO CANCELLATION OF ELECTION

Any Participating Authority may withdraw from this Contract and the Joint Election should it cancel its election in accordance with Sections 2.051 - 2.053 of the Texas Election Code.

XIV. RECORDS OF THE ELECTION

The Elections Administrator is hereby appointed general custodian of the voted ballots and all records of the Joint Election as authorized by Section 271.010 of the Texas Election Code.

Access to the election records shall be available to each Participating Authority as well as to the public in accordance with applicable provisions of the Texas Election Code and the Texas Public Information Act. The election records shall be stored at the offices of the Elections Administrator or at an alternate facility used for storage of County records. The Elections Administrator shall ensure that the records are maintained in an orderly manner so that the records are clearly identifiable and retrievable.

Records of the election shall be retained and disposed of in accordance with the provisions of Section 66.058 of the Texas Election Code. If records of the election are involved in any pending election contest, investigation, litigation, or open records request, the Elections Administrator shall maintain the records until final resolution or until final judgment, whichever is applicable. It is the responsibility of each Participating Authority to bring to the attention of the Elections Administrator any notice of pending election contest, investigation, litigation or open records request which may be filed with the Participating Authority.

XV. RECOUNTS OR CONTESTED ELECTION

A recount may be obtained as provided by Title 13 of the Texas Election Code. By signing this document, the presiding officer of the contracting Participating Authority agrees that any recount shall take place at the offices of the Elections Administrator or at a location of the Elections Administrator's choosing, and that the Elections Administrator shall serve as Recount Supervisor and the Participating Authority's official or employee who performs the duties of a secretary under the Texas Election Code shall serve as Recount Coordinator.

In the event of a contested election, the expenses of a new election ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or Participating Authority will be paid for and by the Participating Authority in accordance with Texas Election Code 221.014

The Elections Administrator agrees to provide advisory services to each Participating Authority as necessary to conduct a proper recount.

XVI. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

1. The Elections Administrator shall file copies of this document with the Williamson County Treasurer and the Williamson County Auditor in accordance with Section 31.099 of the Texas Election Code.
2. Nothing in this Contract prevents any party from taking appropriate legal action against any other party and/or other election personnel for a breach of this Contract or a violation of the Texas Election Code.
3. This Contract shall be construed under and in accord with the laws of the State of Texas, and all obligations of the parties created hereunder are performable in Williamson County, Texas.
4. In the event that one of more of the provisions contained in this Contract shall for any reason be held to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision hereof and this Contract shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal, or unenforceable provision had never been contained herein.
5. All parties shall comply with all applicable laws, ordinances, and codes of the State of Texas, all local governments, and any other entities with local jurisdiction.
6. The waiver by any party of a breach of any provision of this Contract shall not operate as or be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach.
7. Any amendments of this Contract shall be of no effect unless in writing and signed by all parties hereto.
8. Participating Authority agrees to act in good faith in the performance of this agreement, and shall immediately contact and notify the Elections Administrator of any potential problems or issues relevant to the subject matter of this contract.

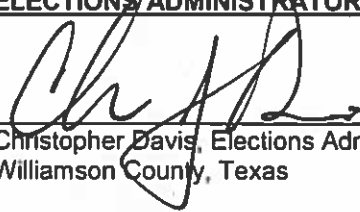
XVII. COST ESTIMATES AND DEPOSIT OF FUNDS

The total *estimated* cost for the November 6, 2018 election is \$750,000.00 and is based partly on the costs of both the November 4, 2014 and November 8, 2016 joint general special elections. After the final determination has been made of whom the Participating Authorities will be and the Contracts are fully executed, the Elections Administrator shall provide each Participating Authority with an official cost estimate. Each Participating Authority's percent share of the estimated total cost is based on the number of registered voters and further described in Section XII.1. of this Contract. Each Participating Authority agrees to pay the Williamson County Elections Administrator a deposit of 50% of the *estimated obligation* no later than 30 days after receiving the official cost estimate. As soon as reasonably possible after the election, the Elections Administrator will submit an itemized invoice to each Participating Authority based on the actual expenses (supported by documentation such as time sheets, compensation forms, and invoices) directly attributable to the services provided by the Elections Administrator. The exact amount of each Participating Authority's obligation under the terms of this Contract shall be calculated after the election (or runoff election, if applicable); and, if the amount of an Authority's total obligation exceeds the amount deposited, the authority shall pay to the Elections Administrator the balance due within 30 days after the receipt of the final invoice from the Elections Administrator. However, if the amount of the authority's total obligation is less than the amount deposited, the Elections Administrator shall refund to the authority the excess amount paid within 30 days after the final costs are calculated.

XVIII. SIGNATURE PAGE

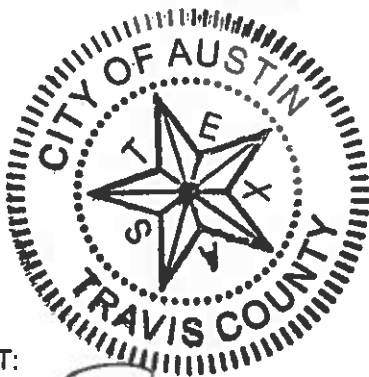
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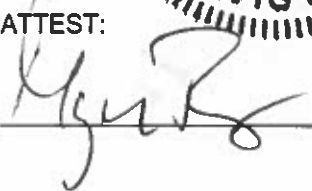


Christopher Davis, Elections Administrator
Williamson County, Texas

WITNESS BY MY HAND THIS THE 28 DAY OF August, 2018

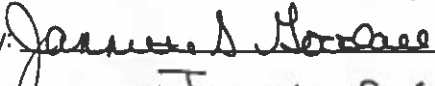


ATTEST:



PARTICIPATING AUTHORITY:

Name of Participating Authority: City of Austin

By:  _____

Printed Name: Jannette S. Goodale

Official Capacity: City Clerk

ATTACHMENT A
(To be provided after the final day to cancel an election as prescribed
by the Texas Secretary of State's Election Law Calendar)

List of Participating Authorities (to be determined)

Williamson County
Joint General and Special Elections
Tuesday, November 6, 2018

Registered voters may vote at any location listed below

Los votantes registrados podrán votar en cualquiera de los lugares de votación listados abajo

Vote Center Locations

7:00 am - 7:00 pm

Locaciones de Centros de Votos

City	Location	Address	Zip
AUSTIN	Anderson Mill Limited District	11500 El Salido Parkway	78750
	Bethany United Methodist Church	10010 Anderson Mill Road	78750
	Gateway Church	7104 McNeil Drive	78729
	Harmony School of Political Science	13415 RM 620N	78717
	Kelly Reeves Athletic Complex	10211 W Parmer Lane	78717
	Lord of Life Lutheran Church	9700 Neenah Ave	78717
	Northwest Fellowship Church	13427 Pond Springs Rd	78729
	Rattan Creek Park Community Center	7617 Elkhorn Mountain Trail	78729
	R. E Hartfield Performing Arts Center	5800 McNeil Dr	78729
BARTLETT	Bartlett Town Hall	140 W Clark Street	76511
CEDAR PARK	Cedar Park High School	2150 Cypress Creek Road	78613
	Cedar Park Library	550 Discovery Boulevard	78613
	Cedar Park Randalls	1400 Cypress Creek Road	78613
	Cedar Park Recreation Center	1435 Main St- Town Center	78613
	Highland Estates Independent Retirement Living	1500 N Lakeline Boulevard	78613
	Vista Ridge High School	200 S Vista Ridge Boulevard	78613
COUPLAND	St Peter's Church of Coupland	108 Wathen Street	78615
FLORENCE	Andice Community Center	6600 FM 970	76527
	Florence High School	401 FM 970	76527
GEORGETOWN	County Central Maintenance Facility	3151 SE Inner Loop	78626
	Cowan Creek Amenity Center	1433 Cool Spring Way	78633
	First Baptist Church-Georgetown	1333 W University Avenue	78628
	Georgetown Housing Authority	210 W 18th Street, Bldg 1	78626
	Georgetown Randalls	5721 Williams Drive	78633
	GISD Administration Building	603 Lakeway Drive	78628
	Main Street Baptist- Ministry Center	111 W 10th Street	78626
	Parks and Recreation Administration Building	1101 N College Street	78626
	Sun City Social Center	2 Texas Drive	78633
	The Delaney at Georgetown Village	359 Village Commons Boulevard	78633
	Williamson County Inner Loop Annex	301 SE Inner Loop	78626
GRANGER	Granger Brethren Church	306 W Broadway Street	76530
HUTTO	Hutto City Hall	401 Front Street	78634
	The Original Hutto Schools on College St	302 College Street	78634
JARRELL	Jarrell Memorial Park Comm. Center	1651 CR 305	76537
LEANDER	Leander Church of Christ	300 Crystal Falls Parkway	78641
	Leander High School	3301 S Bagdad Road	78641
	Leander Public Library	1011 S Bagdad Road	78641
	LISD Technology Building, TECH A & B	315 S West Dr	78641
	Rouse High School	1222 Raider Way	78641

Williamson County Early Voting Schedule
Horario de la Votación Adelantada del Condado de Williamson

Joint General and Special Elections – November 6, 2018
Elecciones Generales y Especiales Conjuntas – 6 de noviembre del 2018

Dates and Times for Full-Time Locations- Fechas y horarios para localidades de tiempo completo:

Monday, October 22 through Friday, November 2

7:00 am to 7:00 pm

Sunday, October 28

1:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Del Lunes 22 de octubre al Viernes 2 de noviembre

7:00 am – 7:00 pm

Domingo, 28 de octubre

1:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Williamson County Inner Loop Annex, 301 SE Inner Loop, Georgetown

Anderson Mill Limited District, 11500 El Salido Parkway, Austin

RE Hartfield Performing Arts Center, 5800 McNeil Drive, Austin

Cedar Park Public Library, 550 Discovery Boulevard, Cedar Park

Cedar Park Randalls, 1400 Cypress Creek Road, Cedar Park

Cowan Creek Amenity Center, 1433 Cool Spring Way, Georgetown

Georgetown ISD Administration Building, 603 Lakeway Drive, Georgetown

Georgetown Randalls 5721 Williams Drive, Georgetown

Parks & Recreation Administration Building, 1101 North College Street, Georgetown

Hutto City Hall, 401 W Front Street, Hutto

Leander Public Library, 1011 South Bagdad Street, Leander

BACA Senior Center, 301 West Bagdad Street, Building 2, Round Rock

Round Rock Randalls, 2051 Gattis School Road, Round Rock

Brushy Creek Community Center, 16318 Great Oaks Drive, Round Rock

J.B. and Hallie Jester Annex, 1801 East Old Settlers Boulevard, Round Rock

Taylor City Hall, 400 Porter Street, Taylor

Subject to change *Sujeto a cambio*

CONTRACT FOR ELECTION SERVICES

THIS CONTRACT FOR ELECTION SERVICES (this "Contract") is made and entered into by and between the **ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR OF HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS ("Contracting Officer")** and the **Local Political Subdivision** set forth on the signature page of this Contract (the "LPS") pursuant to the authority under Section 31.092(a) of the Texas Election Code.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the LPS expects to order and election during the term of this Contract and during any renewal term of this Contract (the "Election");

WHEREAS, the LPS desired that certain election services for the Election be provided by the Contracting Officer pursuant to Chapter 31, Subchapter D of the Texas Election Code and;

WHEREAS, the Contracting Officer and the LPS desire to enter into a contract setting out the respective responsibilities of the parties;

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties to this Contract agree as follows with respect to the coordination, supervision, and conduct of the election.

I. GENERAL PROVISIONS.

- A. The purpose of this Contract is to maintain consistency and accessibility in voting practices, polling places, and election procedures to best assist the voters of the LPS. For purposes of this Contract the term "Election" will include any resulting recount or election contest. It will also apply to and election to resolve a tie.
- B. The Contracting Officer is hereby appointed to serve as the LPS's Election Day Officer and Early Voting Clerk to conduct the Election for those areas of the LPS located in within the contracting jurisdiction. As Election Officer and Early Voting Clerk, the Contracting Officer will coordinate, supervise and conduct all aspects of the administering voting in connection with the election in compliance with all applicable law except as otherwise provided in the Contract.
- C. The LPS agrees to commit the funds necessary to pay for election-related expenses for the LPS's election.
- D. The Contracting Officer has the right to enter into agreements with other entities at any time and may require that authorities of LPSs holding elections on the same day in all or part of the same territory to enter into a joint election agreement as authorized in

Chapter 271 of the Texas Election Code. The LPS agrees to enter into a joint election agreement required by Hays County.

II. RESPONSIBILITIES OF CONTRACTING OFFICER. The Contracting officer shall be responsible for performing the following services and furnishing the following material and equipment in connection with the election:

- A. Nomination of Presiding Judges and Alternate Judges.** The Contracting Officer shall recommend appointment of Election Day presiding and alternate judges, central accumulation station judges, and the Early Voting Ballot Board (EVBB) presiding judge, all of which shall meet the eligibility requirements in Subchapter C of Chapter 32 of the Texas Election Code.
- B. Notification to LPS.** The Contracting Officer shall provide the LPS with the most up-to-date list of presiding and alternate judges three weeks before the statutory deadline to order the election.
- C. Notification to Presiding and Alternate Judges; Appointment of Clerks.**
 - 1. The Contracting Officer shall notify each presiding and alternate judge of his or her appointment. The notification will also include the assigned polling station, the date of the election training(s), the date and time of the election, the rate of compensation, the number of clerks the judge may appoint, the eligibility requirements for election workers, and the name of the presiding or alternate judge as appropriate.
 - 2. The election judge will make the clerk appointments in consultation with the Contracting Officer. If a presiding judge or the alternate judge does not speak both English and Spanish, and the election precinct is one subject to Section 272.002 and 272.009 of the Texas Election Code, the Contracting Officer shall ensure that a bilingual election clerk is appointed. The Contracting Officer shall notify the clerks of the same information that the judges receive under this section.
- D. Election Training.** The Contracting Officer shall be responsible for conducting election training for the presiding judges, alternate judges, clerks, and early voting deputies in the operation and troubleshooting of the direct record electronic (DRE) voting system and the conduct of elections, including qualifying voters, issuing ballot style codes, maintaining order at the polling location, and conducting provisional voting.
- E. Logic and Accuracy Testing.** In advance of Early Voting (including the sending of any mail ballots), the Contracting Officer, the tabulation supervisor, and the other members the

Contracting Officer designates for the testing board shall conduct all logic and accuracy testing in accordance with the procedures set forth by the Texas election Code and under guidelines provided by the Secretary of State's office. The Contracting Officer shall also be responsible for the publication of the required notice of such testing.

- F. **Election Supplies.** The Contracting Officer shall procure, prepare, and distribute to the presiding judges for use at the polling locations on Election Day (and to the Early Voting clerks during Early Voting) the following election supplies: election and early voting kits (including the appropriate envelopes, lists, forms, name tags, posters, and signage described in Chapters 51, 61, and 62, and subchapter B of chapter 66 of the Texas Election Code) seals, sample ballots, thermal paper rolls for use in the Judges Booth Controllers (JBC's), batteries for use in the JBC's, eSlates, labels for the electronic poll books, and all consumable type office supplies necessary to hold an election.
- G. **Registered Voters List.** The Contracting Officer shall provide lists of registered voters required by law for use on Election Day and for the Early Voting period.
- H. **Notice of Previous Polling Place.** The Contracting Officer shall post notices of a change in a polling place at the entrance to the previous polling location. Section 43.062 of the Texas Election Code provides that the notice shall state the location has changed and give the location of the new polling place.
- I. **Election Equipment.** The Contracting Officer shall prepare and distribute the direct Record Electronic (DRE) Voting System components from Hart Intercivic, Inc. ("Hart") for the election. This voting System includes the equipment referred to as "eSlates" and Judge's Booth Controllers" (JBCs). Each polling location will have at least one voting machine that is accessible to disabled voters and provides a practical and effective means for voters with disabilities to cast a secret ballot.
- J. **Ballots.** The Contracting Officer or designee shall be responsible for the preparation, printing, programming and distribution of English and Spanish ballots and sample ballots, including the mail ballots, based on the information provided by the LPS, including the names of the candidates, names of the offices sought, order of names on the ballot, propositions on the ballot, and the Spanish translation of the offices and any propositions. The ballot will be prepared in these formats: DRE, paper, auditory.
- K. **Early Voting.** In accordance with Sections 31.096 and 32.097(b) of the Texas Election Code, the Contracting Officer shall serve as the Early Voting Clerk for the election.
 - 1. The Contracting Officer shall supervise and conduct the early voting by mail and by personal appearance and shall secure personnel to serve as Early Voting Deputies.

2. The Contracting Officer shall receive mail ballot applications on behalf of the LPS. All applications for mail ballots shall be processed in accordance with Title 7 of the Texas Election Code by the Contracting Officer or deputies at the Records Building located at the Hays County Government Center at 712 S. Stagecoach Trail, San Marcos, Texas 78666. Applications for mail ballots sent to the LPS shall be promptly faxed to the Contracting Officer at (512) 878-6699, or emailed to elections@co.hays.tx.us for timely processing and then the original sent application forwarded to the Contracting Officer for proper retention.
3. Early voting ballots shall be secured and maintained at the Records Office at 712 S. Stagecoach Trail, San Marcos, Texas 78666. In accordance with Chapter 87 of the Texas election Code. The Early Voting Ballot Board shall meet at the same location unless posted differently.
4. Early Voting by personal appearance for the election shall be conducted during the hours and time period and at the locations as determined by the Contracting Officer in consultation with the LPS and in accordance with the Texas Election Code.

L. Election Day Activities.

1. The contracting Officer and staff shall be available from 6:00 am until the completion of the vote counting on Election Day to render technical support and assistance to voters and election workers.
2. The Contracting Officer and staff shall prepare and conduct Election Night intake of election equipment, supplies, and records.
3. The Contracting Officer and designee shall serve as central counting station manager and tabulation supervisor, counting the votes in conjunction with the Early Voting Ballot Board and the Central Counting Station judges.
4. Election Day polling locations are determined by the Contracting Officer in consultation with the LPS and in accordance with the Texas Election Code. The Contracting Officer shall arrange for the use of all polling places and shall arrange for the setting up of the polling location including tables, chairs and voting booths.

M. Election Night Reports. The contracting Officer shall prepare the unofficial and official tabulation of precinct results under Section 66.056(a) of the Texas Election Code. The unofficial tabulation of Early Voting precinct results and Election Day precinct results shall be made available to the LPS via email as soon as they are prepared and may be released

under law, but no earlier than 7:00 pm on Election Day. The tabulation reports may also be provided to other counties as necessary for the election. As soon as reasonably possible, the Contracting Officer will post all reports for public review on the Hays County Elections website at www.co.hays.tx.us/elections.

- N. **Provisional Votes/ Determination of Mail Ballots Timely Received under Section 86.007(d) of the Texas Election Code.** The Contracting Officer, serving as the voter registrar, shall retain the provisional voting affidavits and shall provide the factual information on each of the voters' status. The Contracting Officer shall reconvene the EVBB after the election within the time set forth in Section 65.051 of the Texas election Code for the purpose of determining the disposition of the provisional votes. At the same time, the EVBB will review mail ballots timely received under Section 86.007(d) of the Texas election Code to determine whether such will be counted and to resolve any issues with such ballots.
- O. **Canvass Material Preparation.** Promptly after determination of the provisional votes and resolution of any mail ballots, the Contracting Officer shall work with the EVBB and tabulation supervisor to tally the accepted provisional votes and resolved mail ballots, amend the unofficial tabulations, and submit new official tabulations to the LPS. These reports will serve as the canvass materials for the LPS.
- P. **Custodian of Election Records.** The election records will be submitted to the LPS except for those records that must be maintained by the Contracting Officer as Voter Registrar in accordance with Section 66.051 of the Texas Election Code. The Contracting Officer is hereby appointed the custodian of voted ballots (which in the case of the ballots cast on the DRE voting system consist of the DVD backup) and shall preserve them in accordance with Chapter 66 of the Texas Election Code and other applicable law. The Contracting Officer shall also maintain custody of the records pertaining to the operation of the JBCs and eSlates.
- Q. **Recount.**
 - 1. The LPS shall advise the Contracting Officer if a recount is required by law or requested and the Contracting Officer and the LPS shall discuss how such recount is to be conducted. The LPS shall reimburse the Contracting Officer for the cost of such count which is not included in the original estimate/invoice.
- R. **Schedule for Performance of Services.** The Contracting Officer shall perform all election services in accordance and compliance with the time requirements set out in the Texas Election Code.

- S. **Contracting with Third Parties.** In accordance with Section 31.098 of the Texas Election Code, the Contracting Officer is authorized to contract with third parties for election services and supplies. The cost of such third-party services and supplies will be paid by the Contracting Officer and reimbursed by the LPS.
- T. **Department of Justice Preclearance for General Elections.** If required by law, any changes to the general conduct of voting in Hays County will be pre-cleared through the United States Department of Justice by the Contracting Officer with copies of the submission and response e-mailed to the LPS.

III. **RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE LPS.** The LPS shall perform the following responsibilities:

- A. **Applications for Mail Ballots.** The LPS shall date and stamp and then as promptly as possible fax to the Contracting Officer all applications for mail ballots that it receives. Promptly thereafter, the LPS shall deliver or send by mail the original mail ballot applications to the Contracting Officer.
- B. **Election Orders, Election Notices, and Canvass.** The LPS shall be responsible for the preparing, adopting, publishing, and posting all required election orders, resolutions, notices and other documents, including bilingual materials, evidencing action by the governing authority of the LPS necessary to the conduct of the election. The LPS shall be responsible for conducting the official canvass of the election.
- C. **Map/Annexations.** The LPS shall provide the Contracting Officer with an updated map and street index (including address Numbers) of its jurisdiction in and electronic or printed format and shall advise the contracting officer in writing of any new developments, annexations or de-annexations.
- D. **Department of Justice Preclearance for Special Elections.** If required by law, the LPS shall be individually responsible for obtaining appropriate preclearance from the United States Department of Justice for any special elections.
- E. **Ballot Information.** The LPS shall prepare the text for the LPS's official ballot in English and Spanish and provide the Contracting Officer as soon as possible at the end of the period for ordering the election or filing for candidacy. The ballot information shall include a list of proposition showing the order and the exact manner in which the candidates' name shall appear on the ballot. The LPS shall promptly review for correctness the ballot when requested by the Contracting Officer to do so prior to the finalization and shall approve by e-mail or by signature in person.

- F. **Precinct Reports to the Texas Secretary of State.** Based on information provided by the Contracting Officer, the LPS shall prepare and file all required precinct reports with the Texas Secretary of State.
- G. **Annual Voting Report.** The LPS shall be responsible for filing its annual voting system report to the Texas Secretary of State as required under Chapter 123 et seq. of the Texas Election Code.

IV. SPECIAL PROVISIONS RELATED TO ELECTION WORKERS

- A. **Number of Election Workers at Election Day Polling Locations.** It is agreed by the Contracting Officer and the LPS that there will be at least three election workers at each Election Day polling location: the presiding judge, the alternate judge, and at least one election clerk appointed by the presiding judge. The number of necessary clerks is derived from the number of elections at the poll and the number of registered voters at the poll.
- B. **Compensation for Election Workers.** The Contracting Officer shall compensate all election workers in accordance with the Contracting Officer's established compensation policies, in accordance with the Texas Election Code and using the rates set by the Hays County Commissioners Court for county elections. The Contracting Officer shall pay the workers and be reimbursed by the entities sharing the polling locations.

V. PAYMENT

- A. **Charges and Distribution of Costs.** In consideration of the joint election services provided by the Contracting Officer, the LPS will be charged a share of the election costs and an administrative fee. The costs distribution is set forth in the Joint Election Agreement. The cost estimate is set forth in the Cost Estimate.
- B. **Administrative Fee.** The Contracting Officer shall charge a fee equal to 10% of the LPS's share of the cost of the election or a minimum of \$75.00.
- C. **Equipment Rental Fee.** Per Section 123.032(d) of the Texas Election Code, the Hays County Commissioners Court has set the equipment rental fee at \$175 each per JBC and per eSlate. If the County acquires additional equipment during the term of the Contract, the charge for the use of the equipment may be reset by the Hays County Commissioners Court.
- D. **Payment.** The Contracting Officer's invoice shall be due and payable to the address set forth in the invoice within 30 days from the date of receipt by the LPS.

VI. TERM AND TERMINATION

- A. **Initial Term.** The initial term of the contract shall commence upon the last party's execution hereof and shall continue thereafter in full force and effect for one year, subject to the termination rights set forth herein.
- B. **Renewal.** Subject to the termination rights set forth herein, this contract shall be renewed annually.
- C. **Termination.** If either party wishes to terminate this contract for convenience or for cause, the party must provide not less than ninety (90) days' written notice to the other party and allow for discussion of the desired outcome and options to reach the desired outcome. In the event of termination, it is understood and agreed that only the amounts due to the contracting Officer for services provided and expenses incurred will be due and payable.

VII. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

- A. **Nontransferable Functions.** In accordance with Section 31.096 of the Texas Election Code, nothing in this Contract shall authorize or permit a change in:
 - 1. The authority with whom or the place at which any document or record relating to the election is to be filed;
 - 2. The officers who conduct the official canvass of the election returns;
 - 3. The authority to serve as custodian of voted ballots or other election records;
or
 - 4. Any other nontransferable function specified under Section 31.096 or other provisions of law.
- B. **Cancellation of Election.** If the LPS cancels its election pursuant to Section 2.053 of the Texas Election Code, the Contracting Officer shall be entitled to receive an administrative fee of \$75. The Contracting Officer shall submit an invoice for the administrative fee as soon as reasonably possible after the cancellation, and the LPS shall make payment therefore in a manner similar to that set forth in V. **Payment** above.
- C. **Contract Copies to Treasure and Auditor.** In accordance with Section 31.099 of the Texas Election Code, the Contracting Officer agrees to file copies of the Contract with the County Treasurer and the County Auditor of Hays County, Texas.

D. Election to Resolve a Tie. In the event that an election is necessary to resolve a tie vote, the terms of the Contract shall extend to the second election, except:

1. The LPS and the Contracting Officer will agree upon the date of the election and the early voting schedule subject to provisions of the election Code and with regard to other election conducted by the Contracting Officer.
2. The LPS will be responsible for any Department of Justice preclearance submission under Section 5 of the Federal Voting Rights Act.
3. An attempt will be made to use the election workers that worked in the first election; those poll workers will not have additional training provided by the Contracting Officer.
4. The cost of the election will be borne by the LPS; the Contracting Officer will work with the LPS on cost management.

E. Amendment/Modification. Except as otherwise provided, this contract may not be amended, modified, or changed in any respect except in writing, duly executed by the parties hereto. Both the Contracting Officer and the LPS may propose necessary amendments or modifications to this Contract in writing in order to conduct the election smoothly and efficiently, except that any such proposals must be approved by the Contracting Officer and the governing body of the LPS or its authorized agent, respectively.

F. Severability. If any provision of the Contract is found to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability shall not affect the remaining provisions of this Contract and parties to this Contract shall perform their obligations under this Contract in accordance with the intent of the parties to this Contract as expressed in the terms and provisions.

G. Representatives. For the purposes of implementing this Contract and coordinating activities, the Contracting Officer and the LPS designate the following individuals for submission of information, documents and notice:

For the Contracting Officer:

Jennifer Anderson
Elections Administrator, Hays County
712 S. Stagecoach Trail, Suite 1045
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For the LPS:

Jannette Goodall
City Clerk, City of Austin
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Witness by my hand this the 13 day of September, 2018.

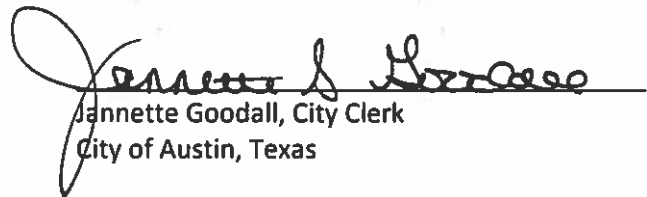
Contracting Officer:



Jennifer Anderson, Elections Administrator
Hays County, Texas

Witness by my hand this the 11th day of September, 2018.

Local Political Subdivision:



Jannette Goodall, City Clerk
City of Austin, Texas