



ELECTION SERVICES CONTRACT WITH BELL COUNTY

RS-26-119

August 4, 2026

Background

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- ❑ On August 4, 2026, City Council will consider calling the November 3, 2026 Special Election.
- ❑ To eliminate voter inconvenience is it recommended to contract Election Services with Bell County.

Agreement

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- ❑ Duties and Services of Bell County:
 - ▣ Procure ballots and election supplies
 - ▣ Prepare voting machines for use
 - ▣ Arrange for a central counting station
 - ▣ Publish Notice for Testing of Election Equipment
 - ▣ Approve, train and support all election workers
 - ▣ Coordinate, supervise, and handle all aspects of administering the Election.



Voting Equipment

DS200 Precinct Scanner & DS850 Central Scanner
ES&S ExpressVote Accessible Electronic Ballot Marker

Fiscal Impact

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- ❑ Bell County has indicated that the total estimated cost for the November 3 election cannot be determined at this time. Costs of the election will be prorated among all participants.
- ❑ City staff estimates the City's portion of the cost to be \$21,000.

Recommendation

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Staff recommends the City Council approve an Election Services Contract with the Bell County Elections Officer for the November 3, 2026, Special Charter Election.