

CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

AGENDA ITEM

Authorizing the City Manager to execute an Election Services Contract with Bell County for election services and early voting computer software usage.

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT

City Attorney/City Secretary

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The City of Killeen will hold a general election on May 6, 2017 to elect a district council member for each of the four districts. The Bell County elections department has in the past leased to the city election equipment necessary to run the election. Bell County has also in the past provided the city with access to the Bell County Voter Registration database through a computer software known as VoteSafe. That software worked extremely well and shortened the length of time a voter had to wait for his or her voter status to be checked.

DISCUSSION/CONCLUSION

The Bell County elections administrator has again made available for lease to the city election equipment, VoteSafe, Election Day support, and other miscellaneous services for the May 6, 2017 general election. The equipment includes 14 of the ES&S AutoMark Voter Assist Terminal and 17 of the ES&S Model 100 Optical Scan Voting System. Estimated costs for equipment is \$6700.00. Related programming, support, and supplies is estimated at \$3000.00.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds are available in the City Secretary's budget, acct # 010-1010-416.50-45, to pay for the equipment and services.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the City Manager be authorized to execute the attached Contract for election services on behalf of the City of Killeen.