## REDISTRICTING INTERLOCAL COOPERATION CONTRACT

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## Background

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- Every ten years, the U.S. Census Bureau conducts a census. The information is used to draw voting boundaries.
- Staff met with representatives from the City of Temple and Bell County and conducted interviews with law firms having expertise in joint redistricting efforts.
- □ The law firm of Bickerstaff Heath Delgado Acosta was selected as the firm with the most experience.



- Each entity will be responsible for paying their own estimated costs.
- Estimated costs for the City of Killeen is approximately \$27,190.

## Alternatives

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- Leave existing voting districts in place and be out of compliance with state and federal requirements
- Seek redistricting services without regional cooperation
- Enter into an Interlocal Cooperation Contract with Bickerstaff Heath Delgado Acosta

## Recommendation

Staff recommends that the City Council authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute an Interlocal Cooperation Contract with Bickerstaff Heath Delgado Acosta for joint redistricting services with the City of Temple and Bell County.