ACTION ITEM REPORT

Item Title: Consideration and ACTION to authorize the City Manager to negotiate, execute, and/or amend the elections agreement with Cameron County as necessary; and authorize the City Manager to prepare and present any required budget amendment to appropriate funds for the City's share of election-related costs for the December 12, 2026 Runoff Election.

Recommendation:

Good evening, Mayor and Council Members,

- This item is to authorize the City Manager to negotiate, execute, and amend our existing election services agreement with Cameron County for the December 12 runoff election.
- Our existing agreement already includes provisions for a runoff election, allowing us to continue utilizing Cameron County's election services.
- Cameron County has provided an estimated total election cost of $32,121.10, which includes election personnel, equipment, supplies, administrative expenses, and other related services.
- The County's proposal reflects a deposit of $12,672, leaving an estimated balance of $19,449.10. We anticipate receiving an invoice from Cameron County for the required payment.
- This authorization will also allow us to prepare and present any necessary budget amendment for Council consideration to cover the City's share of election expenses.
- This will ensure we can meet the County's requirements and proceed with the runoff election without unnecessary delays.

Staff recommends approval of this item.