

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY FORM

PROPOSED MEETING DATE: August 16, 2023

PREPARED BY: Scott Moore, City Manager

DEPARTMENT: Administration

AGENDA ITEM DESCRIPTION:

Consideration, discussion, and possible action on a resolution approving the acquisition of an accessible voting system in compliance with state and federal laws through a service agreement with Travis County.

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY:

Section 61.012 of the Texas Election Code requires that the City Council must provide at least one accessible voting system in each polling place used in a Texas election on or after August 1, 2023. This system must comply with state and federal laws setting the requirements for voting systems that permit voters with physical disabilities to cast a secret ballot.

Sections 123.032 and 123.035 of the Texas Election Code authorize the acquisition of voting systems by local political subdivisions and further mandate certain minimum requirements for contracts relating to the acquisition of such voting systems.

As chief elections officer of the City of Manor, the City Secretary shall provide at least one ExpressVote® Universal Voting System and DS200 Digital® Precinct Scanner in every early voting and election day polling place used to conduct any and every election ordered on or after August 1, 2023. The ES&S ExpressVote® Universal Voting System and DS200 Digital® Precinct Scanner may be acquired by any legal means available to the City of Manor, including but not limited to lease or rental from the County of Travis or from any other legal source, as authorized or required by Sections 123.032 and 123.035, Texas Election Code.

LEGAL REVIEW: Not Applicable

FISCAL IMPACT: No PRESENTATION: No ATTACHMENTS: Yes

Resolution No. 2023-30

• Election Service Agreement

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

It is the city staff's recommendation that the City Council approve Resolution No. 2023-30 approving the acquisition of an accessible voting system in compliance with state and federal laws through a service agreement with Travis County and authorize the mayor to execute the Election Agreement.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION: Recommend Approval Disapproval None