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City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 23-3155, Agenda Item #: 6.

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Posting Language

Approve a resolution adopting the voting systems of Travis, Williamson, Hays, and Bastrop Counties to be used in City elections.

Lead Department

Office of the City Clerk.

Fiscal Note

This item has no fiscal impact.

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Additional Backup Information:

Stare law requires the City to take official action to adopt the voting systems used in its elections. Previously, we have included the language relating to the voting system to be used in the election in the ordinance ordering the election. However, as a prerequisite to entering into a contract to run their elections, the counties have asked all entities to approve a resolution now that officially adopts the voting systems for use in all future elections. The Resolution includes detailed information on the voting systems used in each county.

Adoption of the voting system will not expire, so it need not be redone for each election. Only when a county changes their voting system will we have to approve a new resolution. This will ensure that we have contracting partners for City elections, are in compliance with state law, and will allow the election ordinance to be one large Part shorter.