

City of Dallas

1500 Marilla Street Council Chambers, 6th Floor Dallas, Texas 75201

Legislation Text

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STRATEGIC PRIORITY: Government Performance and Financial Management

AGENDA DATE: February 24, 2021

COUNCIL DISTRICT(S): All

DEPARTMENT: City Secretary's Office

EXECUTIVE: Bilierae Johnson

SUBJECT

A resolution authorizing a joint election agreement and election services contract between the City of Dallas, Collin County, and various other jurisdictions within Collin County, for the conduct of a general and special election to be held Saturday, May 1, 2021 - Not to exceed \$12,217.18 - Financing: General Fund

BACKGROUND

Subchapter D of Chapter 31 of the Texas Election Code provides that the City may contract with the county elections administrator for certain election services. Chapter 271 of the Texas Election Code provides that the City may enter into an agreement with other political jurisdictions that may be conducting elections on the same day in election precincts that can be served by common polling places.

The City of Dallas and other political jurisdictions in Dallas, Collin and Denton Counties will conduct elections on Saturday, May 1, 2021. This action authorizes the City of Dallas to hold the May 1, 2021 general and special elections jointly with jurisdictions that share common polling places and contract with the Collin County Elections Department for election services. The City has been a party to similar joint election agreements for many years.

Chapter IV, Section 11 of the Dallas City Charter states, in part, "If no candidate for a particular office receives a majority of the votes cast for all candidates for that office in the first election, a runoff election for that office is required...." In the event a runoff election is necessary, the Elections Administrator will provide the City Secretary with an itemized list of additional estimated election expenses which will be presented for city council approval at a future date.

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS)

This item has no prior action.

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FISCAL INFORMATION

Fund	FY 2021	FY 2022	Future Years
General Fund	\$12,217.18	\$0.00	\$0.00