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TO: Joint Election Participants

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SUBJECT: May 2, 2020 Joint Election

I would like to address the changes involving the May 2, 2020 Joint Election contract and election processes. As you know, last year Collin County replaced the old TSX DRE voting system with the new ExpressVote Universal Voting System. The first election to use the new voting system was the November 5, 2019 General and Special Election. The most significant difference between the old and new voting system is the ExpressVote produces a marked paper ballot for each voter to verify before the ballot is scanned and tabulated during an election. There are additional costs required with the new system that have been added to the joint election contract. Following are required contract changes relating to the ExpressVote Voting System:

- ExpressVote uses ballot marking devices to print the voter selections on a verifiable paper ballot. The addition of providing paper ballots for each voting location is required.
- ExpressVote uses DS200 precinct ballot counters in each Early Voting and Election Day polling location. Additional ballot counters are provided to higher turnout locations.
- ExpressTouch voting devices are provided to each polling location for use in curbside voting.
- Additional coding expenses with ExpressVote are incurred for programming the DS200 ballot counters and ExpressTouch curbside voting machines.
- There have been significant increases of contract personnel used for testing voting equipment prior to deployment of the equipment. In particular, the marking and printing of test ballots from voting units and hands-on testing of all precinct ballot counters.
- Establishment of 5 Field Technician Teams in Early Voting and 7 Field Technician Teams on Election Day for assisting polling location with equipment issues or supply needs.

- Additional vehicle rental is needed for Field Technician transport of equipment and supplies.
- Additional security costs have been added for polling locations and counting station operations.

Cost Distribution Changes to the Joint Contract

The formula for distribution of election expenses in the joint election contract have been updated to the standard formula used for elections using vote centers. Because every entity ballot in the joint election is available at every polling location, the formula used in the contract needs represent the costs applied to using vote centers verses traditional assigned polling locations where voters can only vote at a specific polling place.

The standard vote center formula for determining cost distribution allocates the costs of that election based on a ratio of registered voters per participating entity to the aggregate of all entities voters. Following is an example of the allocation for the May 2, 2020 Joint Election:

Entity	Registered Voters	Percentage
Allen, City	62,955	9.61%
Anna, City	7,955	1.21%
Blue Ridge, City	503	0.08%
Carrollton, City	201	0.03%
Celina, City	7,381	1.13%
Fairview, Town	7,651	1.17%
Farmersville, City	1,768	0.27%
Frisco, City	60,803	9.28%
Lucas, City	5,325	0.81%
McKinney, City	108,553	16.56%
Murphy, City	13,102	2.00%
New Hope, Town	509	0.08%
Parker, City	3,581	0.54%
Prosper, Town	13,637	2.08%
Sachse, City	5,744	0.88%
Saint Paul, Town	727	0.11%
Wylie, City	29,144	4.45%
Allen ISD	64,513	9.84%
Anna ISD	10,051	1.53%
Blue Ridge ISD	2,479	0.38%
Celina ISD	7,853	1.20%
Frisco ISD	93,998	14.34%
Lovejoy ISD	11,739	1.79%
McKinney ISD	82,402	12.57%
Melissa ISD	8,775	1.34%
Prosper ISD	30,492	4.65%
Collin County MUD #1	2,274	0.35%
McKinney MUD 1	1,607	0.25%
McKinney MUD 2	29	0.00%
Bear Creek SUD	3,632	0.55%
Nevada Special Utility District	1,488	0.23%
Seis Lagos SUD	1,271	0.19%
Westminster SUD	971	0.15%
Copeville Water Supply Corporation	2,288	0.35%
Total Registered Voters	655,381	

After the total cost of the joint election is determined, the % share ratio listed on the above chart is applied to determine the cost due for each entity.

I will include this topic for discussion at the February 6, 2020 Joint Election Roundtable Meeting.

Thank you,