

# City of Waukesha

### Administration

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Committee: Finance Committee	<b>Date</b> : 4/14/2015
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Submitted By: Gina Kozlik, Clerk Treasurer	City Administrator Approval: Kevin Lahner, City Administrator KML
Finance Department Review: Rich Abbott, Finance Director RA	City Attorney's Office Review: Brian Running, City Attorney BER

# Subject:

Consideration and action on Intergovernmental Agreement with County for Joint Purchase of New Election Equipment & Software subject to review, revision and approval of the City Attorney. Also, authorize the mayor to sign the final agreement.

### Details:

The County has presented a shared-cost proposal to all municipalities for a county-wide voting equipment replacement purchase with a target implementation prior to the 2016 spring election. The County is offering to make the entire purchase, pay for two-thirds of the purchase price, and then invoice the remaining one-third of the cost for the City over the next three fiscal years at no interest beginning in 2016.

The deadline imposed by the County to sign the Agreement is May 31, 2015.

New, certified equipment is necessary to provide municipalities the ability to electronically transmit results to the County. We have been manually tabulating and entering results into State Canvass Election Reporting system since May of 2012, leaving room for human error.

The Intergovernmental Agreement will require amendment and approval by our City Attorney.

We may need to additionally purchase secure bins or other supplies which have not yet been determined.

The trade-in values are extremely low, and we will investigate if we can resell our old equipment to another municipality for a greater return.

# **Options & Alternatives:**

This is a one time offer to municipalities by the County. If the City defers the equipment purchase to a later date, the City would be obligated to pay the entire cost. The cost to keep our existing system would outweigh the offer presented with outsourced costs for programming based on incompatible systems.



# Financial Remarks: Fund 0400 General Improvements Item

Our 15 poll locations each would require one DS200 ballot reader and one ADA compliant Express Vote machine. Price per poll location is approximately \$10,124.50 for a total poll equipment purchase of \$151,868. Two additional DS200 machines will be required: one for Central Count of Absentee Ballots and one Onsite Backup in the amount of \$12,154 for both machines.

The total purchase price for the necessary equipment would be \$164,021.50, with the City's one-third share of the cost to be \$54,673.83, to be repaid with no interest over three years (2016, 2017 and 2018.)

Machines	Total Cost		
15	4,047.50	60,712.50	Polling - ADA Compliant Express
15	6,077.00	91,155.00	Polling - DS200
2	6,077.00	12,154.00	Central Count & Backup DS200
		164,021.50	Total Cost Share machines
		54,673.83	1/3 City cost
		18,224.61	2016 Fund 0400 - General CIP
		18,224.61	2017 Fund 0400 - General CIP
		18,224.61	2018 Fund 0400 - General CIP
		54,673.83	Total City Share

<sup>\*</sup>As noted in the details area, there may be additional costs once the machines are received for bins, supplies, etc.

## **Executive Recommendation:**

To Approve entering into an acceptable Intergovernmental Agreement with the County for the joint purchase of New Election Equipment and Software.

## **Committee Recommendation:**

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