

# Harris County, Texas

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### **Legislation Text**

File #: 24-2418, Version: 1

**Department:** County Clerk

Department Head/Elected Official: Teneshia Hudspeth

**Regular or Supplemental RCA:** Regular RCA **Type of Request:** Financial Authorization

Project ID (if applicable):

Vendor/Entity Legal Name (if applicable):

**MWDBE Contracted Goal** (if applicable): **MWDBE Current Participation** (if applicable):

Justification for 0% MWDBE Participation Goal: Choose an item.

#### Request Summary (Agenda Caption):

Request for approval of 18 PCNs for the Election Technology Center, 15 PCNs for ADA, and 11 Recruitment Coordinators and Fiscal year 2024 general funds in the amount of \$1,211,906 for the Elections Department effective May 11, 2024.

#### **Background and Discussion:**

As the quantity of voting equipment has increased, so has the demand for ETC Technicians during election cycles. The complexity of this equipment necessitates assistance from poll workers. Additionally, there has been an uptick in the need for upgrades and programming of voting equipment during non-election periods. The ADA is a vital law that ensures equal access and opportunities for individuals with disabilities in various aspects of life, including voting. Vote center locations must be ADA accessible to meet compliance guidelines. Currently, the ADA team consists of four (4) full-time teams and 15 temporary staff, most of whom have been with CCO elections for over two years. They conduct thorough compliance surveys on all potential vote centers year-round, particularly in the months leading up to an election. The Recruitment Coordinator plays a critical role in the successful execution of elections by overseeing the recruitment of election workers. This involves actively seeking qualified individuals months in advance of the election cycle and staffing them at designated vote centers.

Expected	Impact:

**Alternative Options:** 

#### Alignment with Goal(s):

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- \_ Justice and Safety
- \_ Economic Opportunity
- \_ Housing
- \_ Public Health
- $\_$  Transportation
- \_ Flooding
- \_ Environment
- x\_ Governance and Customer Service

## **Prior Court Action** (if any):

Date	Agenda Item #	Action Taken

#### Location:

Address (if applicable):

Precinct(s): Choose an item.

Fiscal and Personnel Summary							
Service Name							
•	Current Fiscal Year Cost			Annual Fiscal Cost			
	Labor	Non-Labor	Total	Recurring Expens			
Funding Sources			·				
Existing Budget							
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$	\$			
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$	\$			
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$	\$			
Total Current Budget	\$	\$	\$	\$			
Additional Budget Request ( <i>Requ</i>	ires Fiscal Revie	ew Request Form)					
1000 - General Fund	\$1,211,906	\$	\$1,211,906	\$3,279,638			
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$	\$			
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$	\$			
Total Additional Budget Request	\$	\$	\$	\$			
Total Funding Request	\$1,211,906	\$	\$1,211,906	\$3,279,638			
Personnel (Fill out section only if re	questing new PC	Ns)		•			
Current Position Count for Service	<u> -</u>	-	-	-			
Additional Positions Request	44	-	-	-			
Total Personnel	-	-	-	-			

Anticipated Court Date: 04/23/2024

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**Anticipated Implementation Date (if different from Court date):** 

Emergency/Disaster Recovery Note: Not an emergency, disaster, or COVID-19 related item

Contact(s) name, title, department: Esther Cardenas, Chief Deputy of Administration, County Clerk's Office

Attachments (if applicable): RCA Fiscal Review Request Form