

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-R-109

CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO APPROVE A CONVENTION CENTER VENUE PROJECT, A NEW FIVE PERCENT (5%) SHORT-TERM MOTOR VEHICLE RENTAL TAX PURSUANT TO SECTION 334.102 OF THE TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE, AND A NEW AND ADDITIONAL TWO PERCENT (2%) HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX PURSUANT TO SECTION 334.252 OF THE TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE; PROVIDING FOR THE CONDUCT AND THE GIVING NOTICE OF THE ELECTION; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND ENACTING OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 334, Texas Local Government Code, as amended, (the "*Act*") the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas (the "*City*") is authorized to call an election to finance as a venue project a convention center and related infrastructure and to pay for such facility, if duly approved in conjunction with such election, from (1) a short-term motor vehicle rental tax pursuant to Section 334.102 of the Act (the "*Car Rental Tax*"); and (2) a hotel occupancy tax pursuant to Section 334.252 of the Act (the "*Convention Center HOT Tax*"); and

WHEREAS, this City Council now determines to pursue the financing of a convention center and related infrastructure within the City limits and the further financing of the maintenance and operation of the convention center (the "*Project*") and to pay for the Project from (1) the Car Rental Tax levied at the rate of five (5) percent on the gross rental receipts from the rental in the municipality of a motor vehicle; and (2) the Convention Center HOT Tax levied at the rate of two (2) percent of the price paid for a room in a hotel; and

WHEREAS, the City has received a determination from the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts that the convention center venue project will not have a significant negative fiscal impact on state revenue; and

WHEREAS, this City Council finds and determines it is necessary and advisable to call and hold an election within the City of Laredo, Texas on the propositions hereinafter set forth.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAREDO, TEXAS THAT:

Section 1. Election Ordered; Propositions.

An election shall be held in the City of Laredo, Texas, on November 6, 2018, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., at which election the following propositions shall be submitted in accordance with law:

CITY OF LAREDO PROPOSITION B

Authorizing the City of Laredo to finance a convention center venue to be located within the corporate limits of the City of Laredo and the related infrastructure and the maintenance and operation thereof and (i) to impose a new motor vehicle rental tax at the rate of five percent (5%), and (ii) to impose a new and additional hotel occupancy tax at the rate of two percent (2%) in the City of Laredo, Texas for the purpose of financing the convention center venue project. If approved, the maximum hotel occupancy tax rate imposed from all sources in the City of Laredo, Texas, would be sixteen percent (16%) of the price paid for a room in a hotel.

Section 2. Precincts and Polling Places.

The election precincts for said election only, and the polling place for each such precinct on election day, are set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto, which is incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof for all purposes.

Section 3. Early Voting.

The Main Early Voting Polling Place, the Branch Early Voting Polling Places for conducting early voting by personal appearance, the dates and hours for early voting by personal appearance and the address for early voting by mail for said election are hereby designated as set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto.

Section 4. Election Officers.

The election officers designated by the Webb County Election Administrator are hereby appointed and confirmed to hold said election at said polling places. As determined by the Webb County Election Administrator, the Presiding Judges shall appoint not less than two nor more than five qualified election clerks to serve and assist in conducting said election; providing that if the Presiding Judge actually serves as expected, the Alternate Presiding Judge shall be one of such clerks. An early ballot board is hereby created to process early voting results, and the individual designated by the Webb County Election Administrator is hereby appointed the presiding judge of said board. The presiding judge shall appoint at least two other members of the board.

Section 5. Ballots.

The official ballots for said election shall be prepared in accordance with the Texas Election Code as to permit the electors to vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" the aforesaid PROPOSITIONS, with the ballots to contain such provisions, markings and language as required by law, and with such PROPOSITIONS to be expressed substantially as follows:

CITY OF LAREDO PROPOSITION B

FOR)

AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF LAREDO TO FINANCE A CONVENTION CENTER VENUE TO BE LOCATED WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF LAREDO AND THE RELATED INFRASTRUCTURE AND THE MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION THEREOF AND (I) TO IMPOSE A NEW MOTOR VEHICLE RENTAL TAX AT THE RATE OF FIVE PERCENT (5%), AND (II) TO IMPOSE A NEW AND ADDITIONAL HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX AT THE RATE OF TWO PERCENT (2%) IN THE CITY OF LAREDO, TEXAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING THE CONVENTION CENTER VENUE PROJECT. IF APPROVED, THE MAXIMUM HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX RATE IMPOSED FROM ALL SOURCES IN THE CITY OF LAREDO, TEXAS, WOULD BE SIXTEEN PERCENT (16%) OF THE PRICE PAID FOR A ROOM IN A HOTEL.

AGAINST)

Section 6. Conduct of Election.

- (a) All resident qualified electors of said City shall be permitted to vote in said election.
- (b) The election materials enumerated in Secs. 272.001, et seq., V.T.C.A. Election Code, shall be printed and furnished in both English and Spanish for use at the polling place on election day and for early voting.
- (c) In all respects said election shall be conducted in accordance with the Texas Election Code. Pursuant to the federal Help America Vote Act and the Texas Election Code, each polling place shall be provided at least one voting system equipped for individuals with disabilities. Sufficient voting equipment to accommodate the voters shall be provided for early voting and at each of the polling places on election day.

Section 7. Notice of Election.

Notice of said election shall be given by (i) publishing a substantial copy of this Resolution in both English and Spanish one time not earlier than the 30th day or later than the 10th day before election day, in a newspaper published in the City or, if none is published in said City, in a newspaper of general circulation in said City and (ii) posting a substantial copy of this Resolution in both English and Spanish on the bulletin board in the City Hall of said City used for posting notices of meetings of the City Council of said City not later than the 21st day before election day.

Section 8. Effective Date.

In accordance with the provisions of V.T.C.A., Government Code, Section 1201.028, this

Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its adoption by the City Council.

DULY PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR ON

THIS THE 6 DAY OF August, 2018.

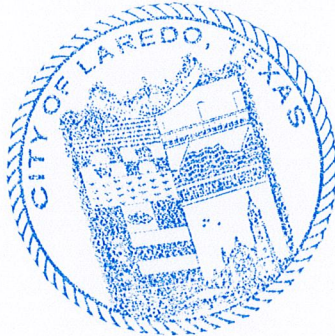


PETE SAENZ
MAYOR

ATTESTED:

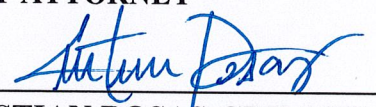


JOSE A. VALDEZ, JR.
CITY SECRETARY



APPROVED AS TO FORM:

KRISTINA K. LAUREL HALE
CITY ATTORNEY

BY: 

CRISTIAN ROSAS-GRILLET
ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY

EXHIBIT A

NOVEMBER 6, 2018 JOINT GENERAL ELECTIONS

ELECTION DAY SITES

Pct.	Location	Address	City
401	Senior Citizens Home	700 Juarez St.	Laredo
402	MacDonell Elementary School	1606 Benavides St.	Laredo
403	LISD Performing Arts.	2400 San Bernardo Ave.	Laredo
404	Richter Courts Hall	1600 Circle Dr.	Laredo
405	Piedra Angular Templo Cristiano	4050 Santa Maria Ave.	Laredo
406	Santa Maria Elementary School	3801 Santa Maria Ave.	Laredo
407	J. O. Walker Building	5810 San Bernardo Ave.	Laredo
308	Clark Elementary School	500 Hillside Rd.	Laredo
309	A. Gutierrez Elementary School	505 W. Calle Del Norte	Laredo
310	Christ Miracle Center	4400 Sanders Ave.	Laredo
311	Alma Pierce Elementary School	800 E. Eistetter St.	Laredo
312	Sanchez / Ochoa Elem. School	211 E. Ash St.	Laredo
413	Don Jose Gallego Elem. School	520 Clark Blvd.	Laredo
414	Bruni Elementary School	1502 San Eduardo Ave.	Laredo
215	Memorial Middle School	2002 Marcella Ave.	Laredo
416	Salvation Army Building	408 Matamoros St.	Laredo
417	Heights Elementary School	1200 Market St.	Laredo
218	Nixon High School – Annex	2900 N Malinche Ave.	Laredo
219	Milton Elementary School	2502 E. Elm St.	Laredo
220	F. S. Lara Academy	2901 E. Travis St.	Laredo
221	Christ Episcopal Church	2320 E. Lane St.	Laredo
122	Lamar Middle School	1818 N. Arkansas Ave.	Laredo
423	Daiches Elementary School	1401 Green St.	Laredo
124	St. Joseph Church Hall	110 N. Meadow Ave.	Laredo
125	Gateway Assemblies of God Church	3714 Hwy 359	Laredo
226	Webb County Appraisal District	3302 Clark Blvd.	Laredo
227	UISD Student Activity Ctr.	5208 Santa Claudia Ln.	Laredo
128	Templo Revelación	1102 S. Meadow Ave.	Laredo
129	Dryden Park	2700 Diaz St.	Laredo
130	McKendrick Library	1920 Palo Blanco	Laredo
231	Salinas Elementary School	100 Century Dr.	Laredo
132	Prada Elementary School	510 Soria Dr.	Laredo
133	Los Obispos Middle School	2710 La Pita Mangana	Laredo

Pct.	Location	Address	City
239	B P Newmann Elem. School	1300 Alta Vista Dr.	Laredo
340	Laredo Medical Ctr. Ambulatory	7210 McPherson Rd.	Laredo
341	Nye Elementary School	101 E. Del Mar Blvd.	Laredo
342	JP Precinct 4 Building	8501 San Dario Ave.	Laredo
343	United Middle School	700 E. Del Mar Blvd.	Laredo
344	Col. Santos Benavides Elem. School	10702 Kirby Ln.	Laredo
345	Alexander 9 th Grade Campus	8800 McPherson Rd.	Laredo
446	Finley Elementary School	2001 Lowry Rd.	Laredo
447	Muller Elementary School	4430 Muller Memorial Dr.	Laredo
448	F & A Bruni Community Ctr.	452 Rancho Penitas	Laredo
349	United High School (New)	2811 United Ave.	Laredo
351	Laredo Medical Center	1700 E. Saunders St.	Laredo
252	United South High School	4001 Ave. Los Presidentes	Laredo
453	Lamar Bruni Vergara City Park	202 W. Plum St.	Laredo
154	LB Johnson High School	5626 Cielito Lindo Blvd.	Laredo
255	Texas A&M Int'l University	5201 University Blvd.	Laredo
356	Borchers Elementary School	9551 Backwoods Trail	Laredo
458	G. Washington Middle School	10306 River Bank Dr.	Laredo
359	Doctors Hospital	10700 McPherson Rd.	Laredo
360	Gallagher Garden Apts.	5118 Gallagher Ave.	Laredo
361	Grace Bible Church	5303 Alabama Ave.	Laredo
362	Pep Boys	4401 San Dario Ave.	Laredo
363	LISD Child Nutrition Bldg.	101 E. Saunders St.	Laredo
164	DD Hachar Elementary (LISD)	3000 Guadalupe St.	Laredo
465	Farias Elementary School	1510 Chicago St.	Laredo
266	City Hall Annex Bldg.	1102 Bob Bullock Lp.	Laredo
267	Cuellar Elementary School	6431 Casa Del Sol Blvd.	Laredo
268	UISD S.A.C. (Combined w/ 227)	5208 Santa Claudia Ln.	Laredo
169	Centeno Elementary	2710 Pita Mangana Rd.	Laredo

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NOVEMBER 6, 2018 JOINT GENERAL ELECTIONS EARLY VOTING SITES

(Temporary sites subject to change as per entities approvals)

MAIN EARLY VOTING SITE

Billy Hall, Jr. Administrative Building, 1110 Washington St.

Monday, October 22 thru Friday, October 26, 2018	8:00 am to 5:00 pm
Saturday, October 27, 2018	8:00 am to 8:00 pm
Sunday, October 28, 2018	1:00 pm to 6:00 pm
Monday, October 29 thru Friday, November 2, 2018	8:00 am to 8:00 pm

PERMANENT BRANCH EARLY VOTING SITES

Finley Elementary School, 2001 Lowry Rd.

Monday, October 22 thru Friday, October 26, 2018	8:00 am to 5:00 pm
Saturday, October 27, 2018	8:00 am to 8:00 pm
Sunday, October 28, 2018	1:00 pm to 6:00 pm
Monday, October 29 thru Friday, November 2, 2018	8:00 am to 8:00 pm

Laredo Fire Dept. Administrative Ctr, 616 E. Del Mar Blvd.

Monday, October 22 thru Friday, October 26, 2018	8:00 am to 5:00 pm
Saturday, October 27, 2018	8:00 am to 8:00 pm
Sunday, October 28, 2018	1:00 pm to 6:00 pm
Monday, October 29 thru Friday, November 2, 2018	8:00 am to 8:00 pm

City Hall Annex Building, 1102 Bob Bullock Loop

Monday, October 22 thru Friday, October 26, 2018	8:00 am to 5:00 pm
Saturday, October 27, 2018	8:00 am to 8:00 pm
Sunday, October 28, 2018	1:00 pm to 6:00 pm
Monday, October 29 thru Friday, November 2, 2018	8:00 am to 8:00 pm

McKendrick, Ochoa, Salinas Library, 2901 Palo Blanco St.

Monday, October 22 thru Friday, October 26, 2018	8:00 am to 5:00 pm
Saturday, October 27, 2018	8:00 am to 8:00 pm
Sunday, October 28, 2018	1:00 pm to 6:00 pm
Monday, October 29 thru Friday, November 2, 2018	8:00 am to 8:00 pm

TEMPORARY BRANCH EV SITES

Henry Cuellar Library, 1701 Centeno Ln., Rio Bravo, TX

Monday, October 22 thru Friday, October 26, 2018	8:00 am to 5:00 pm
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Saturday, October 27, 2018	8:00 am to 8:00 pm
Sunday, October 28, 2018	1:00 pm to 6:00 pm
Monday, October 29 thru Friday, November 2, 2018	8:00 am to 8:00 pm

Kennedy-Zapata Elementary, 3809 S. Espejo-Molina Rd., El Cenizo, TX

Monday, October 22 thru Friday, October 26, 2018	8:00 am to 5:00 pm
Saturday, October 27, 2018	8:00 am to 8:00 pm
Sunday, October 28, 2018	1:00 pm to 6:00 pm
Monday, October 29 thru Friday, November 2, 2018	8:00 am to 8:00 pm

TEMPORARY MOBILE EV BRANCH SITES

Mobile Branch # 1

L.C.C. - Main Campus, W End Washington St.	Oct. 22	8:00 am to 5:00 pm
L.C.C. - Main Campus, W End Washington St.	Oct. 23	8:00 am to 5:00 pm
L.C.C. – South Campus, 5500 S. Zapata Hwy.	Oct. 24	8:00 am to 5:00 pm
L.C.C. – South Campus, 5500 S. Zapata Hwy.	Oct. 25	8:00 am to 5:00 pm
Laredo Specialty Hospital, 2005 Bustamante St.	Oct. 26	8:00 am to 5:00 pm
Bruni Community Center, 303 E. 12 th St, Bruni	Oct. 27	9:00 am to 7:00 pm
E. Salinas Comm. Ctr, 917 N. Main, Mirando City	Oct. 28	1:00 pm to 6:00 pm
Lulac Haven, 4601 Juarez St.	Oct. 29	9:00 am to 7:00 pm
Texas A&M Int'l, 5201 University Blvd.	Oct. 30	9:00 am to 7:00 pm
Texas A&M Int'l, 5201 University Blvd.	Oct. 31	9:00 am to 7:00 pm
Webb County Justice Center, 1110 Victoria St.	Nov.01	9:00 am to 8:00 pm
Webb County Justice Center, 1110 Victoria St.	Nov.02	9:00 am to 8:00 pm

Mobile Branch # 2

City Hall of Laredo, 1110 Houston St.	Oct. 22	9:00 am to 6:00 pm
City Hall of Laredo, 1110 Houston St.	Oct. 23	9:00 am to 6:00 pm
City Hall of Laredo, 1110 Houston St.	Oct. 24	9:00 am to 6:00 pm
F & A Bruni Comm. Ctr, 452 Rancho Peñitas	Oct. 25	9:00 am to 6:00 pm
Sta. Teresita Comm Ctr. 15014 US Hwy 59	Oct. 26	8:00 am to 6:00 pm
Doctor's Hospital, 10700 McPherson Rd	Oct. 27	9:00 am to 8:00 pm
Doctor's Hospital, 10700 McPherson Rd	Oct. 28	1:00 pm to 6:00 pm
Doctor's Hospital, 10700 McPherson Rd.	Oct. 29	9:00 am to 8:00 pm
Regent Care Center, 7500 McPherson Rd.	Oct. 30	9:00 am to 8:00 pm
Laredo Medical Center, 1700 E. Saunders St.	Oct. 31	9:00 am to 8:00 pm
Laredo Medical Center, 1700 E. Saunders St.	Nov.01	9:00 am to 8:00 pm
Laredo Medical Center, 1700 E. Saunders St.	Nov.02	9:00 am to 8:00 pm

Mobile Branch # 3 (UISD)

Kazen Elementary, 9620 Albany Dr.	Oct. 22	9:00 am to 6:00 pm
Fasken Elementary, 11111 Atlanta Dr.	Oct. 23	9:00 am to 6:00 pm
Cuellar Elementary, 6431 Casa Del Sol Blvd.	Oct. 24	9:00 am to 6:00 pm
Trautmann Middle, 8501 Curly	Oct. 25	9:00 am to 6:00 pm
United Middle, 700 E. Del Mar Blvd.	Oct. 26	9:00 am to 6:00 pm
United Middle, 700 E. Del Mar Blvd.	Oct. 27	9:00 am to 7:00 pm
Nye Elementary, 101 E. Del Mar Blvd.	Oct. 28	1:00 am to 6:00 pm
Clark Elementary, 500 Hillside Rd.	Oct. 29	9:00 pm to 7:00 pm
Muller Elementary, 4430 Muller Memorial Dr.	Oct. 30	9:00 am to 7:00 pm
Washington Middle, 10306 Riverbank Dr.	Oct. 31	9:00 am to 7:00 pm
Newman Elementary, 1300 Alta Vista	Nov.01	9:00 am to 7:00 pm
Alexander High School, 3600 E. Del Mar Blvd.	Nov.02	9:00 am to 7:00 pm

Mobile Branch # 4 (LISD)

Bruni Elementary, 1508 San Eduardo Ave.	Oct. 22	8:00 am to 5:00 pm
Sanchez/Ochoa Elementary, 211 E. Ash St.	Oct. 23	8:00 am to 5:00 pm
J.C. Martin Elementary, 1600 Monterrey Ave.	Oct. 24	8:00 am to 5:00 pm
Gallego Elementary, 520 Clark Blvd.	Oct. 25	8:00 am to 5:00 pm
Heights Elementary, 1208 Market St.	Oct. 26	8:00 am to 5:00 pm
F S Lara Academy, 2901 E. Travis St.	Oct. 27	9:00 am to 7:00 pm
Jose A Valdez High School, 2502 Galveston St.	Oct. 28	1:00 pm to 6:00 pm
Memorial Middle School, 2002 Marcella Ave.	Oct. 29	9:00 am to 7:00 pm
D.D. Hachar Elementary, 3000 Guadalupe St.	Oct. 30	9:00 am to 7:00 pm
Milton Elementary, 2500 E. Elm St.	Oct. 31	9:00 am to 7:00 pm
Ryan Elementary, 2401 Clark Blvd.	Nov.01	9:00 am to 7:00 pm
Lamar Middle School, 1818 N. Arkansas Ave.	Nov.02	9:00 am to 7:00 pm

Mobile Branch # 5 (WCISD)

WCISD Tax Office, 619 Ave F, Bruni, TX	Oct. 22	9:00 am to 5:00 pm
WCISD Tax Office, 619 Ave F, Bruni, TX	Oct. 23	9:00 am to 5:00 pm
WCISD Tax Office, 619 Ave F, Bruni, TX	Oct. 24	9:00 am to 5:00 pm
WCISD Tax Office, 619 Ave F, Bruni, TX	Oct. 25	9:00 am to 5:00 pm
Oilton Elem. Library, 300 Despain St, Oilton	Oct. 26	9:00 am to 5:00 pm
Oilton Elem. Library, 300 Despain St, Oilton	Oct. 27	9:00 am to 7:00 pm
Oilton Elem. Library, 300 Despain St, Oilton	Oct. 28	1:00 pm to 6:00 pm
Oilton Elem. Library, 300 Despain St, Oilton	Oct. 29	9:00 am to 7:00 pm
E. Salinas Comm. Ctr, 917 N. Main, Mirando	Oct. 30	9:00 am to 7:00 pm
E. Salinas Comm. Ctr, 917 N. Main, Mirando	Oct. 31	9:00 am to 7:00 pm
E. Salinas Comm. Ctr, 917 N. Main, Mirando	Nov.01	9:00 am to 7:00 pm
E. Salinas Comm. Ctr, 917 N. Main, Mirando	Nov.02	9:00 am to 7:00 pm

W: ele S: 110618 - COL - Exhibit F - Early Voting Sites



GLENN HEGAR TEXAS COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

P.O.Box 13528 • Austin, TX 78711-3528

July 10, 2018

Mr. Horacio A. De Leon, Jr.
City Manager
City of Laredo
1110 Houston Street
Laredo, Texas 78040

Dear Mr. De Leon:

Thank you for providing Laredo City Council Resolution No. 2018-R-081 of June 18, 2018, providing for convention center venue project and designating the method of financing for that Venue Project pursuant to Chapter 334 of the Local Government Code.

The Resolution provides that the City of Laredo, subject to approval at an election, would impose a short term motor vehicle rental tax, under the provisions of Subchapter E, at a rate not to exceed five percent (5%) and a short term hotel occupancy tax, under the provisions of Subchapter H, at a rate not to exceed two percent (2%) to finance the Venue Project.

Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 334.022, the Resolution has been reviewed and it has been determined that its approval and implementation would have no significant negative impact on state revenue.

If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact Chris Tjon at 512-936-8587 or by email at christopher.tjon@cpa.texas.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tom Currah".

Tom Currah
Chief Revenue Estimator

cc: Chris Tjon

City Council-Regular

Meeting Date: 08/06/2018

Staff Source: Cristian Rosas-Grillet, Assistant City Attorney

SUBJECT

2018-R-109 Calling a special election to approve a convention center venue project, a five percent (5%) short-term motor vehicle rental tax pursuant to section 334.102 of the Texas Local Government Code, and a new and additional two percent (2%) hotel occupancy tax pursuant to section 334.252 of the Texas Local Government Code; providing for the conduct and the giving notice of the election; providing for publication; and enacting other matters relating thereto.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION

N/A

BACKGROUND

Pursuant to Chapter 334, Texas Local Government Code, as amended, (the "Act") the City Council of the City of Laredo, Texas (the "City") is authorized to call an election to finance as a venue project a convention center and related infrastructure and to pay for such facility, if duly approved in conjunction with such election, from (1) a short-term motor vehicle rental tax pursuant to Section 334.102 of the Act (the "Car Rental Tax"); and (2) a hotel occupancy tax pursuant to Section 334.252 of the Act (the "Convention Center HOT Tax").

The City has received a determination from the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts that the convention center venue project will not have a significant negative fiscal impact on state revenue.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

N/A

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Approval of this Resolution.

Fiscal Impact

Fiscal Year:

Budgeted Y/N?:

Source of Funds:

Account #:

Change Order: Exceeds 25% Y/N:

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

If approved by voters, additional revenues would be generated for the City.

Attachments

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Exhibit A - Election Day Sites

Exhibit A - Early Voting Sites

Comptroller Approval Letter
