

**CITY OF SAN ANTONIO  
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INTERDEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** Yolanda L. Ledesma, Acting City Clerk

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**SUBJECT:** An Ordinance approving a Joint Election Agreement with other governmental entities within Bexar County participating in the Saturday, May 15, 2004 Joint Special Election to be conducted by the Bexar County Elections Administrator.

**DATE:** Thursday, April 1, 2004

**SUMMARY & RECOMMENDATION**

This ordinance will provide for the City of San Antonio to have a joint election with Bexar County, North East Independent School District (NEISD), East Central Independent School District (ECISD), San Antonio Independent School District (SAISD), Edgewood Independent School District (EISD) and Alamo Community College District (ACCD) on Saturday, May 15, 2004. It will also stipulate that the Bexar County Elections Administrator will coordinate the Early Voting process and Election Day activities.

Staff recommends approval of this ordinance.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Representatives from Bexar County, North East Independent School District (NEISD), East Central Independent School District (ECISD), San Antonio Independent School District (SAISD), Edgewood Independent School District (EISD) and Alamo Community College District (ACCD), have requested to join with the City of San Antonio for the Saturday, May 15, 2004 election. The City Council needs to adopt this ordinance to approve a contract for a joint election with these entities. The contract will set forth the agreed duties and responsibilities of the respective entities.

Approval of this consolidation plan will enable the City of San Antonio to share the cost of certain polling places with the involved entities. Therefore, the costs of the election to the City of San Antonio will be reduced.

At present, East Central Independent School District (ECISD) is expected to be a participant in the Joint and Special election scheduled for Saturday, May 15, 2004. However, it may be necessary for ECISD to withdraw from the election at a later date based on the outcome of pending litigation.

The costs to be shared by all entities include, but are not limited to the following:

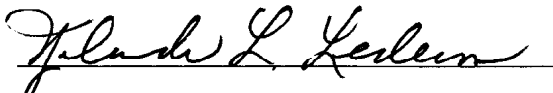
Early Voting Personnel Costs  
Election Day Personnel Costs  
Training of Election Personnel  
Transportation of Electronic Voting Machines  
Printing Costs  
Rental of Polling Places  
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Programming Costs  
Election Kits


### **POLICY ANALYSIS**

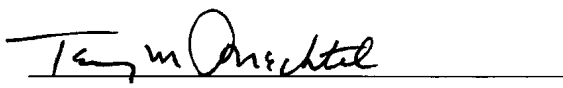
The City of San Antonio has historically joined other entities for election purposes in order to facilitate voting for its citizens and as a means of reducing the costs of the Election process.

### **COORDINATION**

The proposed ordinance has been coordinated with the City Manager's Office, City Attorney's Office, Office of Management and Budget, Bexar County Elections Administrator, NEISD, ECISD, SAISD, EISD and ACCD.

  
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