

AN ORDINANCE **97350**

APPROVING A CONTRACT FOR ELECTION SERVICES WITH BEXAR COUNTY THROUGH THE BEXAR COUNTY ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR, SETTING FORTH THE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, BEXAR COUNTY, AND THE BEXAR COUNTY ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR, IN CONNECTION WITH THE MAY 3, 2003 ELECTION; AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT FOR THESE SERVICES.

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WHEREAS, the City of San Antonio has called an Election for May 3, 2003, for the purpose of electing a Mayor and the members of the City Council for the City of San Antonio; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Antonio has historically contracted with Bexar County to conduct its municipal elections; and

WHEREAS, it is now necessary to authorize a contract in accordance with Section 31.092 of the Texas Election Code, whereby the Bexar County Elections Administrator will provide election services to the City in connection with the May 3, 2003 Election; **NOW THEREFORE:**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The City Manager, or her designee, is hereby authorized to execute a contract with Bexar County through the Bexar County Elections Administrator for holding the Regular and Joint Election on May 3, 2003. The contract shall be in substantially the same form and content as that attached as **Exhibit A** and is incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2. Funds are authorized to be encumbered in Fund 11-000000 (General Fund-Municipal Elections) in Index Code 545178 entitled "Fees to Governmental Contractors" in the estimated amount not to exceed 367,926.86 and made payable to Bexar County for elections services in connection with the May 3, 2003 Regular and Joint Election. The cost of the run-off election will be determined after the election of May 3, 2003.

SECTION 3. The Director of Finance may, subject to concurrence by the City Manager or her designee, correct allocation to specific Index Codes and Fund Numbers, as necessary to carry out the purpose of this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. Payment in the sum of \$183,963.43 on or before March 24, 2003, and \$183,963.43 on or before April 11, 2003, as the City's share of the cost of the election under the above agreement, is hereby authorized. Bexar County shall refund to the City any and all City of San Antonio funds remaining after the payment of all election costs.

SECTION 5. The Bexar County Elections Administrator is hereby authorized to appoint election officials to serve as judges and clerks for early voting and election day, members of the Early Voting Ballot Board, Signature Verification Committee and Central Counting Station, in connection with the Regular and Joint Election to be held on May 3, 2003.

SECTION 6. The City of San Antonio will be responsible for canvassing the City's returns for the Regular and Joint Election to be held on May 3, 2003.

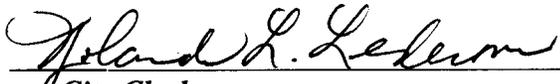
SECTION 7. Early voting electors may cast their vote in person or by mail, and the Early Voting Clerk's mailing address to which ballot applications and ballots voted by mail shall be sent, is as follows:

Bexar County Clerk's Office
100 Dolorosa Street
San Antonio, Texas 78205
Attention: Early Voting Clerk

SECTION 8. This ordinance shall be effective on the tenth day from passage hereof.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 20th day of March, 2003.


M A Y O R
EDWARD D. GARZA

ATTEST: 
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM: 
for City Attorney