
Sponsor: Information and Public Records Administration

Meeting Date: 6/1/2021

Title: Agreements with Cities and School Districts for Voting
Equipment and Elections Services

File Number: 2021-263

Background and Rationale:

Ramsey County has been a statewide leader in developing and implementing contracts with municipalities and school districts in the county for the administration of elections. These contracts have resulted in the following benefits:

1. Facilitation of more uniformity in the administration of elections in the county.
2. Reduction in administrative costs through standardization of election materials and administrative processes.
3. Improvement in the quality and accuracy of the administration of elections through increased specialization and development of expert knowledge by the Ramsey County Elections Office staff.

The Ramsey County Elections Office has provided voting equipment and election services to Roseville Area Schools Independent School District 623 since January 1, 2009, the City of St. Anthony Village and St. Anthony-New Brighton Independent School District 282 since July 27, 2015, the City of Saint Paul and the Saint Paul Schools Independent School District 625 since January 1, 2013, and the White Bear Lake Area Independent School District 624 since May 1, 2013, under prior agreements which expired December 31, 2020. New agreements are necessary in order to continue providing voting equipment and election services to these entities.

Recommendation:

The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners resolved to:


1. Approve the agreements with Roseville Area Schools Independent School District 623, the City of St. Anthony Village and St. Anthony-New Brighton Independent School District 282, the City of Saint Paul, Saint Paul Public Schools Independent School District 625, and the White Bear Lake Area Independent School District 624 for election services, for an initial term from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2026, and renewable for one additional two-year term.
2. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the agreements.
3. Authorize the County Manager to execute amendments to the agreements in accordance with the provisions of the agreements and with all other terms and conditions remaining the same, and in a form approved by the County Attorney's Office.

A motion to approve was made by Commissioner Reinhardt, seconded by Commissioner MatasCastillo.

Motion passed.

Aye: - 6: Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, and Reinhardt

Absent: - 1: Carter

By: 

Abby Goldsmith, Interim Chief Clerk - County Board