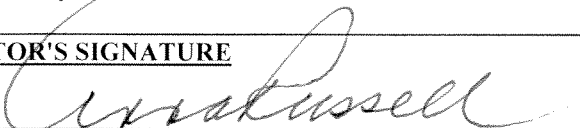


**REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

**TO:** Mayor via City Secretary

<b>Subject:</b> Ordinance authorizing an Agreement between Harris County and the City of Houston relating to joint elections to be held on November 3, 2015.	Category #	Page 1 of 1	Agenda Item
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<b>FROM (Department or other point of origin):</b> City Secretary	<b>Origination Date:</b> 9-14-2015	<b>Agenda Date</b>
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<b>DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE</b> 	<b>Council District(s) affected:</b> All
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For additional information contact: Anna Russell Phone: (832) 393-1100	<b>Date and Identification of prior authorizing Council Action:</b> N/A
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**RECOMMENDATION: (Summary)**  
That City Council pass an ordinance approving and authorizing a joint election services agreement (“Agreement”) with Harris County for the November 3, 2015 joint election, and setting a maximum contract allocation.

<b>Amount of Funding: \$800,500.00</b>	<b>Finance Budget:</b>
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**SOURCE OF FUNDING:**                     General Fund                     Grant Fund                     Enterprise Fund

Other (Specify)

**SPECIFIC EXPLANATION:**

The proposed ordinance approves the Agreement under which Harris County will conduct the joint entity elections to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2015. Under the Agreement, each participating governmental entity is allocated, and obligated to pay its pro rata share of the actual cost of the election, including expenses for polling locations, election personnel, and administrative costs. The sum of **\$800,500.00** allocated in the ordinance is slightly above the amount of **\$725,661.41** estimated by the Harris County Clerk’s Office. If the final cost of the election exceeds the estimated cost, and the amount allocated by the proposed ordinance is insufficient to pay the City’s allocated share of such cost, Council approval will be requested for any additional amount needed to meet the City’s obligation under the Agreement.

**REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION**

Finance Director:	Other Authorization:	Other Authorization:
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