

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN
AGREEMENT WITH BLUE EARTH COUNTY FOR THE SHARED COST OF
ELECTION EXPENSES RELATING TO TECHNOLOGY AND EQUIPMENT**

WHEREAS, Blue Earth County is implementing an annual billing process for Election Services including technology and equipment expenses starting in 2026, so that the city's budget (and the county's budget) can be more predictable and stable when it comes to election expenses; and

WHEREAS, the changes for the city are in relation to the contribution towards election technology and equipment due to the fact that the county has not increased rates since 2015 and the costs to run an election continue to increase, and

WHEREAS, since there are sections within the proposed agreement that are already covered under an existing stand-alone agreement with Blue Earth County for Election Services, the new agreement for shared costs for technology and equipment will be modified accordingly.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council for the City of Mankato, County of Blue Earth, and State of Minnesota that the agreement with Blue Earth County for the shared cost of election expenses relating to technology and equipment is hereby approved and that the City Manager is authorized to modify accordingly and execute said agreement on behalf of the City of Mankato.

This resolution shall become effective upon its passage and without further publication.

Dated this 9th day of December 2024.

Mayor Najwa Massad

ATTEST:

Rena Kopischke, MMC
City Clerk