

RESOLUTION No.

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF A MAIL BALLOT SIGNATURE VERIFICATION MACHINE KNOWN AS (MBV 1000) AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE (ES&S) FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE MAIL BALLOT SIGNATURE VERIFICATION (MBV 1000) AND AMEND ELECTIONS 2016/17 BUDGET (4/5 AFFIRMATIVE VOTE REQUIRED)

WHEREAS, the Elections office purchased a signature verification machine known as Vote Remote in 2007, which is no longer technically supported and is technologically obsolete; and

WHEREAS, the County Clerk-Recorder desires to purchase the Mail Ballot Verification (MBV 1000 machine) which will optically scan mail-in ballots thereby allowing more flexibility in staff assignments and increasing efficiency within the department; and

WHEREAS, by purchasing this new signature verification system the Elections office will save approximately 500 staff hours for each election by not having to manually verify voter signatures on each vote-by-mail ballots; and

WHEREAS, voting by mail has steadily increased and is expected to continue to increase requiring more staff hours; and

WHEREAS, pending legislation would require the Elections office to mail all voters a vote-by-mail ballot, and potentially increase the need for the requested system; and

WHEREAS, the County Clerk-Recorder desires to trade in the existing system known as Vote Remote for a credit of \$7,500.00, which will reduce the total cost of the unit; and

WHEREAS, Funding is available through Proposition 41 Voting Modernization Board (VMB), which requires a county match of \$1 for every \$3 awarded by VMB; and

WHEREAS, The Clerk-Recorder/Registrar of Voters has available budget to cover the required 1/4th match of the total cost.

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Nevada County Board of Supervisors:

- 1. The County Clerk-Recorder/Registrar of Voters shall be and is hereby authorized to execute the agreement.
- 2. Authorizes the purchase of a capital asset, a Mail Ballot Verification Machine (MBV 1000) not to exceed \$69,969:
- 3. Authorizes the trade of the existing hardware system known as Vote Remote for a credit not to exceed \$7,500.00:
- 4. Authorizes and directs the Auditor-Controller to amend the Clerk-Recorder/Elections Fiscal Year 2016/17 budget as follows:

| Increase: 0101 10501 073 1000/540420 0101 10501 073 1000/445090 | \$ 66,819 \$ 52,476 |
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| Decrease: 0101 10501 073 1000/520900 0101 10501 073 1000/521520 0101 10501 073 1000/521475 | \$ 2,350 \$ 11,000 \$ 993 |