

# Council Meeting Agenda Item Memo

**From:** Bonnie Foster, City Clerk

**Council Meeting:** March 12, 2024

**Subject:** Resolution 24-027: Appoint April 9<sup>th</sup> Vote Centers and Election Workers

**Presenter:** Bonnie Foster, City Clerk

## **Summary:**

Request approval of the April 9<sup>th</sup> Municipal Election Vote Centers and Election Workers.

## **Background:**

SDCL 9-13-6.1. Precinct election boards. Each voting precinct shall be presided over by an election board consisting of a minimum of two precinct deputies and one precinct superintendent appointed by the governing body. Any vacancy on the election board that arises between the time of appointment and the day of the election may be appointed by the person in charge of the election. Each precinct superintendent and precinct deputy shall receive compensation which shall be fixed by the governing body.

## **Item Details:**

The following Vote Centers will be used:

- Vote Center 1 – Brookings Activity Center, 320 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- Vote Center 2 – Bethel Baptist Church, 714 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue South
- Vote Center 3 – Holy Life Tabernacle Church, 241 Mustang Pass
- Early/Absentee Vote Center – City & County Government Center, 520 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, 1<sup>st</sup> floor lobby

Election workers being hired are:

- Vote Center 1 – Superintendent Norma Linn, and Deputies Mardell Colbeck, Diane Spencer, Jackie Lanning, and Barb Meyer.
- Vote Center 2 – Superintendent Sue Knutzen, and Deputies Janet Fergen, Kathy Waddell, Linda Thaden, and Ron Thaden.
- Vote Center 3 – Superintendent Bobbe Bartley, and Deputies Ellen Herrboldt and Diane DeGroot.
- Early/Absentee Vote Center – Superintendents Peggy Whalen and Diane Spencer.
- Absentee Vote Center Processing – Superintendent Sue Sackman, and Deputies Judi Dezeeuw and Dorothy Bos.
- Resolution Board – Superintendents David Peterson and Larry Hult
- On-Call / Election Night: Cathy Enlow, David Wells, and Cherie Anderson.
- Election Night Worker – Terry Heidemann

**Legal Consideration:**

None.

**Strategic Plan Consideration:**

Service and Innovation Excellence – Vote Centers provide for a positive voter experience allowing the voter to vote where convenient, and hiring experienced and competent election workers.

**Financial Consideration:**

Superintendent pay: \$15.50 / hour

Deputy pay: \$15.00 / hour

Election Training: \$25 flat fee

Resolution Board: \$20 / hour, or \$50 flat fee if less than 2 hours

Election Night Worker: \$50 flat fee

On-Call Workers: \$50 flat fee

**Options and Recommendation:**

The City Council has the following options:

1. Approve as presented
2. Amend
3. Deny
4. Move the item to a Study Session
5. Discuss / take no action / table

Staff recommends approval.

**Supporting Documentation:**

Resolution