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TO: Livingston County Board of Commissioners

FROM: Elizabeth Hundley, County Clerk

RE: Resolution Approving a Budget Amendment to the 2020 Approved Budget for Elections

DATE: October 27, 2020

Dear Commissioners:

The 2020 General Fund Elections budget was approved by the Board of Commissioners on November 25, 2019.

The budget I requested was based on best estimates using past Presidential Election year expenses as a guide. However, 2020 has turned out to be historical beyond anticipation. We are administering our first major elections since implementing the constitutional changes approved by voters during November, 2018. COVID-19 has garnered higher than anticipated voter turnout. Every registered voter has received one or more absentee ballot applications from the Michigan Bureau of Elections. These, along with other reasons, have contributed to the need for more ballots and election supplies than originally budgeted for.

We are requesting a \$10,000 increase to our line item Elections Supplies (10126200 726000). This increase will provide the additional funding necessary to pay for the ballots, precinct supply kits and other supplies needed for the November 3, 2020 General Election.

We are also requesting an increase to the purchase order with our ballot printer, PSI Printing Systems, Inc. Board approval is required because the remaining invoices will exceed the original purchase order by more than 10% of the original estimate of \$124,000.

As always, I am available to answer any questions or address any concerns you have. I can be reached at 517-546-0500.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Hundley