DATE: June 6, 2016

TO: Commissioner's Court

FROM: Bruce Sherbet

RE: Request for Approval of Sole Source Status for the Purchase of VEMACS and VoteSafe Licenses

On May 2, 2016, Commissioners Court approved various recommended election department enhancements in preparation for the upcoming presidential election. (Court Order 2016-288-05-02). One of the approved enhancements is to purchase 50 E-Pollbooks including software and peripherals to add to the inventory of units distributed to early voting locations and vote centers. Another approved enhancement is to purchase equipment and software for a 25 person over-flow phone bank in the elections department.

To accomplish this task, additional voter registration software licenses will need to be purchased. Votec has confirmed that the software used in VEMACS and VoteSafe is copyrighted and proprietary making this company the Sole Source vendor for the voter registration software used in Collin County.

This is to request Commissioners Court approval for the following items:

- Request approval of Sole Source status of VEMACS and VoteSafe voter registration software from Votec Corporation.
- Request approval to purchase 4 additional Oracle licenses for VEMACS clients. These licenses are needed to complete the 25 person over-flow phone bank that was approved by Court Order 2016-288-05-02. Cost for purchasing 4 additional VEMACS licenses is \$2,000.00. Existing funding is available in 033, Contract Elections.