



Ballot on Demand (BOD) Transition and Elections Facility Development

November 11, 2024

Collin County Commissioners Court

Current System



Poll book

Voter checks in at a polling location through the poll book and are given a ballot with the correct information on it

Ballot Marking Device

Voter uses the ES&S Express Vote (ballot marking device, BMD) to select their choices on the screen and the BMD prints the ballot

Tabulator

Voter inserts the printed ballot into the DS200 tabulator

****Since the County implemented the system, the County has expended \$17,614,104.02***







Ballot on Demand System (BOD)

Poll book

Voter checks in at a polling location through the poll book.

Ballot on Demand

Voter receives customized printed ballot. ES&S offers options for their ballot to be printed from the poll book or at a print center. Voter hand marks the ballot using black ink.

Tabulator

Voter inserts their hand marked ballot into the DS200 tabulator which can read hand marked ballots.

BMD

each polling location must have one of two BMD's available to comply with HAVA



Ballot on Demand (BOD) System

	Equipment*	Privacy Booths	Drayage	Printer cartridges	Ballot stock	Total
BOD to poll books	\$3,175,000	\$525,000	\$101,000	\$76,000	\$144,000	\$4,021,000
BOD print centers	\$2,436,000	\$525,000	\$60,600	\$45,600	\$144,000	\$3,211,200

*Equipment includes printers, computers, and election equipment carts



Ballot on Demand (BOD) System

Funding Mechanisms for BOD Equipment				
	General fund	Tax notes	Certificates of obligation (CO)	General obligation bond*
Tax Rate	M&O	I&S	I&S	I&S
BOD Equipment	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

*Requires voter approval at a November general election.

- ***Additional secure storage space will be needed for the new equipment. That cost is not included in the estimates above.***





New Elections Facility

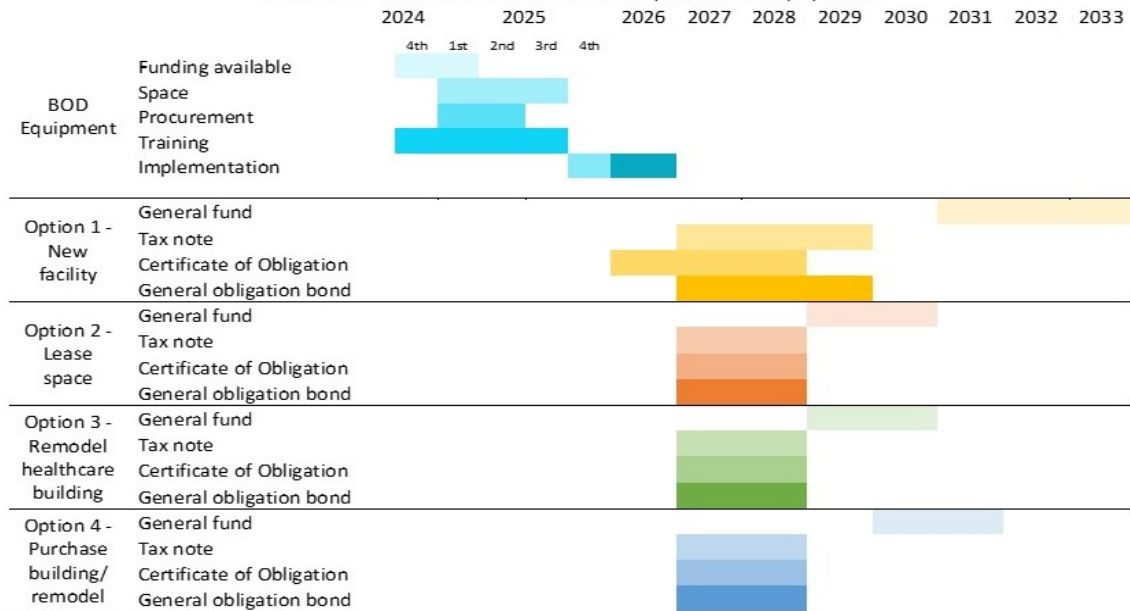
- A space study concluded that the Elections Department needs 51,000 square feet to operate efficiently (double the current size)
- BOD equipment would likely increase the space needs by up to 5,000 square feet
- Staff has developed four options for evaluation



Election facility estimated costs and funding mechanisms					
		Option 1 – new facility	Option 2 – lease space	Option 3 – reuse healthcare building	Option 4 – purchase building and remodel
Estimated cost		\$26,728,000	\$10,976,175	\$10,947,195	\$27,000,000
General fund	M&O	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Tax notes	I&S	No	Remodel only	Remodel only	Remodel only
Certificates of obligation (CO)	I&S	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
General obligation bonds	I&S	Yes	No	Yes	Yes



Estimated Timeline for Election Facility and BOD Equipment





Court Consideration

- **Change from BMD to BOD election process**
 - If court decides to change,
 - Determine funding of new equipment
 - Seek additional secure lease space for new equipment
 - Determine implementation date
- **New election facility**
 - If court decides a new facility is warranted,
 - Determine what option (options 1-4)
 - Determine funding of the facility



Questions?