# INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR THE PROVISION OF ELECTION SERVICES BETWEEN FULTON COUNTY, GEORGIA and CITY OF COLLEGE PARK, GEORGIA

THIS INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT is entered into this 21 day of 2025, between Fulton County, Georgia ("County"), a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, and the City of College Park, Georgia ("City"), a municipal corporation lying wholly or partially within the County (each a "Party" and collectively the "Parties").

WHEREAS, the Parties to this Agreement are both governmental units; and

WHEREAS, the County and the City desire to maintain a mutually beneficial, efficient, and cooperative relationship that will promote the interests of the citizens of both jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to contract with the County to conduct the City's 2025 general election and potential runoff elections for the citizens of the City pursuant to the applicable laws of the State of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, the City and the County are authorized by Art. IX, Sec. III, Par. I of the Constitution of the State of Georgia to contract for any period not exceeding fifty (50) years for the provision of facilities or services which they are authorized by law to provide, including an agreement for the conduct of the City elections; and

WHEREAS, O.C.G.A. § 21-2-45(c) authorizes the governing authority of any municipality to contract with the county within which that municipality wholly or partially lies to conduct any or all elections; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 21-2-45(c), a municipality, via adoption of an ordinance, may authorize a county to conduct such election(s), and the City has adopted such an ordinance; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 21-2-45(c), a municipality may request that the county perform all duties as superintendent of elections as specified in Title 21 of Georgia Law.

**NOW THEREFORE,** in consideration of the following mutual obligations, the County and City agree as follows:

#### **ARTICLE 1 - CONDUCT OF ELECTIONS**

1.1 This Agreement will govern the conduct of any and all elections which the City requests the County to conduct, including any and all runoffs which may be necessary. It is the intent of the Parties that any elections which the County has agreed to perform based on the City's request ("City Elections") shall be conducted in compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local legal requirements.

- g) Performing logic and accuracy testing as required by Sections 183-1-12-.08 of the Official Compilation of Rules and Regulations of the State of Georgia;
- h) Providing staff, equipment and supplies for conducting the **November 4, 2025**, City general election at City polling places on City Election days and for conducting recounts as may be required;
- i) Certifying City Election returns as required by O.C.G.A. § 21-2-493, and submitting certified City Election returns to the Georgia Secretary of State and City Clerk or as otherwise directed; and
- j) Upon a change in City precincts or voter districts, notifying City residents of any change in voting districts and/or municipal precincts.

#### 3.2 The City shall be responsible for:

- a) Recommending, with the understanding that the County shall make the final determination of, early voting sites and hours of operation to the County in conformance with current election laws and regulations;
- b) Adopting Election ordinances pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 21-2-45(c);
- c) Preparing qualifying materials for potential candidates and performing qualifying of candidates, including any write-in candidates, for City Elections as required by state law, specifically O.C.G.A. § 21-2-130 et seq.;
- d) Fixing and publishing the qualifying fee as required by O.C.G.A. § 21-2-131;
- e) Collecting and retaining the qualifying fee as required by O.C.G.A. § 21-2-131, as it may be amended;
- f) Performing filing officer duties as required by the Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission for any and all state reports filed by the candidates or committees in conjunction with City Elections to ensure compliance with Title 21, Chapter 5 of the Official Code of Georgia;
- g) Verifying the City's voter list and street maintenance files by **September 26, 2025**.
- h) Providing the County with an electronic copy of referendums that must be placed on a ballot;
- i) Reviewing ballot proofs and notifying County of corrections or approval within twenty-four (24) hours of receiving proofs for candidate listings; and

5.2 The County shall not be responsible for providing security at the polling places during the election periods in this Agreement. Furthermore, the County shall not be responsible for any liability resulting from any claims or litigation arising from or pertaining to the acts or omissions of the security personnel not provided by the County, or the security personnel provided by the City. The City agrees to reimburse the County for all costs, including, but not limited to, court costs and attorney fees for the County Attorney or outside counsel, incurred by the County as a result of any such claim or litigation. The City shall make payment of such reimbursements to the County within thirty (30) days of receipt of any invoice for reimbursement from the County.

#### ARTICLE 6 - LEGAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- 6.1 The City shall be solely responsible for any liability resulting from any claims or litigation arising from or pertaining to any City Election, except claims or litigation regarding the acts of agents or employees of the County, the County Board of Registration and Elections, and the County Election Superintendent in connection with any City Election held pursuant to this Agreement. The City agrees to reimburse the County for all costs, including, but not limited to, court costs and attorney fees for the County Attorney or outside counsel, incurred by the County as a result of any such claim or litigation. The City shall make payment of such reimbursements to the County within thirty (30) days of receipt of any invoice for reimbursement from the County.
- 6.2 In the event that a City Election is contested, the City shall be solely responsible for any liability resulting from any claims or litigation arising from or pertaining to any contested City Election, except claims or litigation regarding the acts of agents or employees of the County, the County Board of Registrations and Elections, and the County Election Superintendent in connection with any City Election held pursuant to this Agreement. The City agrees to reimburse the County for all costs incurred in responding to the election challenge, including, but not limited to, attorney's fees for the County Attorney or outside counsel and all expenses associated with the election challenge and any appeals thereafter. The City shall make payment of such reimbursements to the County within thirty (30) days of receipt of any invoice for reimbursement from the County. If a second election is required, such election will constitute a City Election under this Agreement and shall be conducted in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.
- 6.3 It is the intent of the Parties for them, along with their officials, officers, employees and agents to be covered under the auspices of any applicable immunity granted by law, including sovereign immunity and official or qualified immunities.
- 6.4 Should it be necessary to comply with legal requirements that any of the County's personnel shall be sworn in as a temporary officer or employee of the City, such formality shall be observed without limitation.

#### **ARTICLE 7 - EMPLOYMENT STATUS**

7.1 All County personnel assigned under this Agreement are and will continue to be under the supervision of the Fulton County Director of the DRE.

for any and all costs the County has incurred, for preparation and/or performance of the City Election, up to receipt of notice to terminate this Agreement. Without terminating this Agreement, the County may suspend, delay, or interrupt all or any part of its responsibilities under this Agreement for the period of time that the County determines appropriate for its convenience.

#### **ARTICLE 13 - NOTICES**

All required notices shall be given by certified first class U.S. Mail, return receipt requested, or statutory overnight delivery. The Parties further agree to provide to each other non-binding duplicate electronic mail notice. Future changes in address shall be effective upon written notice being given by the City to the County Elections Superintendent or by the County to the City Clerk. Notices shall be addressed to the Parties at the following addresses:

If to the County:	Fulton County Board of Registration and Elections Attn: Director 5600 Campbellton Fairburn Road Fairburn, GA 30213
With a copy to:	Fulton County Office of the County Attorney Attn: County Attorney 141 Pryor Street SW, Suite 4038 Atlanta, Georgia 30303
If to the City:	City Clerk
With a copy to:	City Attorney

### **FULTON COUNTY, GEORGIA**

Robert L. Pitts, Chairman
Fulton County Board of Commissioners
DATE:
Attest: Tonya R. Grier, Clerk to Commission
APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Y. Soo Jo, County Attorney
APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE:
Nadine Williams, Director
Fulton County Department of Registration and Elections

[Signatures Continued on Following Page]

## EXHIBIT A

As per the Agreement executed on, the City of College Park, hereby requests that Fulton County conduct its General and potential Runoff Elections beginning on November 4, 2025, within the boundary of Fulton County.
The last day to register to vote in this election is October 6, 2025.
The list of early voting locations will be forthcoming.
This
This day of, 2025.
Robert L. Pitts, Chairman Fulton County Board of Commissioners

https://fc0365.sharepoint.com/sites/CountyAttorney/CAContracts/Elections/2025 Elections Municipal IGA/02.24.23 2025 IGA - ELECTIONS TEMPLATE for Cities.docx



## Exhibit B INVOICE

Fulton County Department of Registration and Elections 5600 Campbellton Fairburn Road Fairburn, Georgia 30213 Phone: (404) 612-7020

Date: 7/1/2025 INVOICE # COL122025

City of College Park
Deputy City Clerk's Office
TO 3667 Main Street
College Park, GA 30337
404-669-3754

Attn: Ms. Queenie Brown

Item no.	Description	Total
1	Advance to Conduct City of College Park Public Service Commission General / Municipal General Runoff Election - December 2, 2025	\$29,292.04
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	TOTAL DUE	\$29,292.04
MAIL T	CHECK PAYABLE TO: "FULTON COUNTY DIRECTOR OF FINANCE" O: 5600 CAMPBELLTON FAIRBURN ROAD FAIRBURN, GA 30213 ENT DUE: MARCH 28, 2025	