RESOLUTION

CONTRACT AWARD - REQUEST FOR REPLACEMENT VOTING EQUIPMENT - \$285,700

- WHEREAS, the James City County General Registrar/Director of Elections (GR/DE) conducts special and general local, statewide and federal elections using aging "Accuvote" tabulation optical scanners and ballot collection boxes, many of which have been in use since the late 1990s; and
- WHEREAS, Accuvote scanners are no longer manufactured and spare parts will become increasingly difficult to obtain, along with required maintenance service support; and
- WHEREAS, the ballot boxes into which the scanner feeds ballots are limited in capacity and subject to frequent malfunctions; and
- WHEREAS, the AutoMARK ADA complaint equipment still in use is subject to frequent malfunctions and is extremely awkward to operate for both voters and Officers of Elections; and
- WHEREAS, the James City County Electoral Board, GR/DE, her assistants, members of the James City County IT staff, experienced machine technicians responsible for maintaining and testing voting equipment, and several Officers of Elections met on several occasions with vendors representing voting equipment manufacturers; and
- WHEREAS, after discussions with the vendors and familiarizing themselves with the operation and capabilities of the competing equipment, all but one of the participants expressed a preference for the Unisyn System represented to Election Services Online by Shoup (ESO); and
- WHEREAS, this preference was generally based upon the design, quality of construction, compactness of the equipment components, and the ease of use for both voters and officers of election and the prospect of more responsive support to be provided by ESO by Shoup than the competing vendor.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of James City County, Virginia, is hereby requested to authorize funding of approximately \$285,700 for the acquisition of the Unisyn equipment serviced by ESO by Shoup for the voters of James City County.

ATTEST:		VOTES			
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Teresa J. Fellows Deputy Clerk to the Board	MCGLENNON — ICENHOUR	V			
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James O. Icenhour, Jr.
Vice Chairman, Board of Supervisors

 $Adopted \ by \ the \ Board \ of \ Supervisors \ of \ James \ City \ County, \ Virginia, \ this \ 10th \ day \ of \ July, 2018.$

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