



A RESOLUTION BY COMMITTEE ON COUNCIL

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE
USE OF AN ELECTRONIC VOTING SYSTEM FOR
RECORDING AND COMPUTING THE VOTE AT
ELECTIONS HELD WITHIN THE CITY OF ATLANTA**

WHEREAS, Georgia Senate Bill 414, signed by the Governor on May 13, 2002, amending Chapter 2 Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, provides for the usage of electronic voting equipment by counties in the state by 2004, and provides for counties to acquire such a system; and

WHEREAS, the electronic voting system so authorized by Senate Bill 414 will be used at the next state-wide General Election on November 5, 2002 and at subsequent municipal general and special elections in the city of Atlanta; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 5. of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, the Attorney General of the State of Georgia duly submitted on May 14, 2002, requests for preclearance of the Direct Recording Electronic (DRE) voting equipment of Diebold Election Systems, formerly Global Election Systems, to the U. S. Department of Justice (USDOJ); identified as Submissions No. 2002-05 and No. 2002-08; and

WHEREAS, the Attorney General's Submissions No. 2002-05 and No. 2002-08 specifically requested preclearance of the use of the Diebold Accuvote-Touchscreen Ballot Station for in-person voting and the Diebold Accuvote-Optical Scan Tabulator for absentee voting in each county of the State of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 5. of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, and as noted in the Justice Department's June 26, 2002, response to Submissions No. 2002-05 and No. 2002-08 stating that the U. S. "Attorney General does not interpose any objection to the specified changes" and further that "municipalities must seek Section 5 preclearance of the any changes in their method of voting and related changes, the city of Atlanta must also formally submit to the USDOJ a request for preclearance to use the new electronic voting equipment; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the use of a new electronic voting system using electronic touch-screen voting machines in the City of Atlanta, the Diebold Accuvote-Touchscreen Ballot Station for in-person voting and the Diebold Accuvote-Optical Scan Tabulator for absentee voting, is authorized in the city of Atlanta.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that immediately upon approval of this Resolution, the City Attorney be directed to submit such usage of the Diebold Accuvote-Touchscreen Ballot Station for in-person voting and the Diebold Accuvote-Optical Scan Tabulator for absentee voting to the U.S. Department of Justice for required preclearance under Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

A true copy,

Rhonda Daughin Johnson
Municipal Clerk, CMC

ADOPTED by the Council
APPROVED by the Mayor

AUG 19, 2002
AUG 26, 2002

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Authorize & Direct Use of Electronic
Voting System for City Elections
ADOPT

YEAS: 13
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: 0
NOT VOTING: 2
EXCUSED: 0
ABSENT 1

Y Smith	Y Archibong	Y Moore	Y Mitchell
Y Starnes	Y Fauver	B Martin	Y Norwood
Y Young	Y Shook	Y Maddox	Y Willis
Y Winslow	NV Muller	Y Boazman	NV Woolard

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