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Harris County Begins Conversation About Countywide Voting Centers

Houston, TX – Dr. Diane Trautman, Harris County Clerk and Chief Election Officer of the county, will start the conversation about establishing Election Day Voting Centers on Tuesday, January 8, 2019 at the bi-monthly Commissioners Court meeting. “Currently, 52 counties in Texas operate Election Day Vote Centers. It is time for Harris County, Texas’ largest county, to be forward thinking and explore the possibility of establishing a Countywide Polling Place Program,” expressed Dr. Trautman.

The program allows eligible counties to establish Voting Centers, non-precinct based polling locations that afford citizens the ability to cast a ballot at any polling location on Election Day. Like the existing in-person Early Voting Period, Election Day Voting Centers make voting simpler and more convenient. Citizens can vote near work, home, school, or at the voting location which is most accessible.

The Commissioners Court meeting will take place at the Harris County Administration Building, 1001 Preston, 9th Floor, in downtown Houston at 10 am. “The support of the governing authority of the county, community stakeholders, and the citizenry is critical to ensure the success of this advanced voting method,” stated Dr. Trautman.

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About the Harris County Clerk

Dr. Diane Trautman is the County Clerk and Chief Election Officer of the third largest county in the nation, home to over 4.6 million people. Dr. Trautman is committed to conducting transparent, trustworthy, efficient and secure elections that ensure every citizen has equal access to the voting process.