From: Samuel Stone (REC) <Sam.Stone@maricopa.gov>
Sent: Monday, April 27, 2026 4:10 PM
To: Scott Jarrett (ELE) <scott.jarrett@maricopa.gov>
Cc: Jen Pokorski (COA) <Jen.Pokorski@Maricopa.Gov>; Zach Schira (COA) <Zach.Schira@Maricopa.Gov>; Jeff Mason (REC) <Jeff.Mason@maricopa.gov>
Subject: RE: BOS Resolution and Continued Cooperation

Scott,

In response to the items below please see our answers in RED:

- Finalizing Contracts for the Early Voting Locations: MCRO AGREES

- Hiring Poll Workers that will work Election Day, Emergency Voting, and Early Voting Locations: MCRO AGREES FOR THE 2026 JURISDICTIONAL, PRIMARY, AND GENERAL ELECTIONS ONLY
    - Hiring for the Primary Election will be based on the attached email correspondence between me and Kay. AGREE
    - The hiring of poll workers is a statutory function of the BOS. However, under a joint operation where poll workers work at locations that are open for all phases of in-person voting, the Elections Department would like to have the Recorder's Office participate in the hiring process as it relates to early voting locations. MCRO AGREES FOR THE 2026 JURISDICTIONAL, PRIMARY, AND GENERAL ELECTIONS ONLY

- Training Poll Workers with the understanding that the Elections Department will incorporate feedback from the Recorder's Office and allow Recorders Office Personnel to attend training sessions.
    - The training of poll workers is a statutory function of the BOS. However, under a joint operation where poll workers work at locations that are open for all phases of in-person voting, the Elections Department would like to have the Recorder's Office participate in the training process as it relates to early voting locations. MCRO AGREES FOR THE 2026 JURISDICTIONAL, PRIMARY, AND GENERAL ELECTIONS ONLY

- Delivering, setting up, troubleshooting, and supporting voting location equipment and supplies for early voting locations.
    - To contain costs and to ensure the Recorder's Office can offer early in-person voting, the Elections Department will provide these services. For the Recorder's Office to have confidence that equipment and supplies were delivered and setup appropriately, the Recorder's Office will be able to hire a t-tech auditor that can review the work of the Elections Department setup team. MCRO AGREES FOR THE 2026 JURISDICTIONAL, PRIMARY, AND GENERAL ELECTIONS ONLY

- Early Voting Command Center Operations
    - Providing the Recorder's Office with access to the Command Center to manage issues related to early voting issues. Command Center operations will be overseen by the Elections Department's Vote Center manager, however, during the early voting period, the Recorder's Office will have a joint-manager working alongside the Elections Department. MCRO AGREES
    - The Recorder's Office IT personnel will also be afforded access to monitor the Elections Department's response to technical troubleshooting tickets and to direct T-Tech Auditors that report to the Recorder's Office. MCRO AGREES WITH LIMITATIONS AS PER PRIOR EMAIL

Maricopa County
Office of the Recorder

May 6, 2026

VIA EMAIL
Jennifer Pokorski
County Manager
Maricopa County

Re: May 2026 Jurisdictional Elections and Ballot Replacement Sites; Implementation of Court Order

Dear Ms. Pokorski:

I write to address several matters arising from recent communications between my office and the Elections Department regarding the upcoming May 2026 jurisdictional elections and the implementation of the Superior Court's April 16, 2026, ruling in *Heap v. Galvin*.

Ballot Replacement Sites — Clarification of Applicable Communications

You may be aware of a series of emails and letters exchanged over the past two weeks concerning the administration of ballot replacement sites for the May jurisdictional elections. I want to address those communications directly and ensure there is no ambiguity about the Recorder's Office's position. Specifically, the email sent by Sam Stone on April 27, 2026, to Mr. Jarrett regarding ballot replacement sites and drop boxes was sent in error and does not reflect the position of this office on matters related to the *Heap v. Galvin* litigation or the implementation of the court's order.

I want to be clear on this point going forward: the only person authorized to speak on my behalf, or on behalf of the Recorder's Office, on any matter related to the *Heap v. Galvin* litigation—including the implementation of the court's order, the allocation of duties between the parties, and the exercise of any functions or duties covered by the court's order—is my attorney, James K. Rogers, Senior Counsel at America First Legal Foundation. Any working-level communications between Recorder's Office personnel and Board or Elections Department staff on these subjects do not constitute a binding commitment or agreement on my part unless I have personally approved them or they have been confirmed in writing by Mr. Rogers.

The governing document for the administration of ballot replacement sites in the May 2026 jurisdictional elections is Mr. Rogers's letter of April 28, 2026, addressed to counsel for the Board of Supervisors. That letter was transmitted before Mr. Jarrett's May 1 email and establishes the procedure I have set for the designation and administration of ballot replacement sites for these elections.

I am available to discuss any of these matters at your convenience and welcome a meeting at the earliest practicable date to work through the logistics of implementation. Please do not hesitate to contact me or to have the appropriate person reach out to Mr. Rogers at james.rogers@aflegal.org if your staff wishes to address any matter related to the litigation or the court's order.

Sincerely,

Justin Heap
Maricopa County Recorder

cc: Zach Schira, Assistant County Manager
Scott Jarrett, Elections Director
Juanita Garzia, Clerk of the Board