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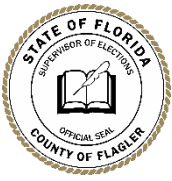
July 30, 2019

Honorable Commissioners:

As you are aware, our nation's elections were designated as critical infrastructure by the Department of Homeland Security in January 2017. This important designation allows local election officials many free resources, including access to the latest cybersecurity intelligence information from the DHS. The Flagler County Elections Office has developed a strong partnership with the DHS to improve our cyber and physical security protections.

During a recent physical security review, it was noted by our regional DHS security advisor that a glass barrier between the public and our Elections Office front counter staff should be considered a high priority. Additionally, it was noted that there is no physical barrier between the general public and the vote tabulation server and equipment during our public meetings of the Canvassing Board. During the historic recount of 2018, we had over 48 visitors in the office to observe the manual recount. We used stanchions to keep visitors away from the paper ballots and equipment, however, this area would be fully protected by extending the glass which currently encloses the Elections Canvassing Conference Room. The glass enclosure would resolve the physical security issue while providing transparency for visitors who attend meetings of the Canvassing Board.

We have worked with General Services department to develop a plan and have received a quote from a local vendor to create the glass enclosure for the tabulation area and to install the half-wall glass (similar to a bank teller glass) at the front counter. Unfortunately, funding for this project is not currently available in the Facilities fund. We plan to begin our initial stage of election preparation in October 2019. The construction for this project should be completed before we begin election preparation.



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I respectfully request the funding for this project be approved so we may begin construction in a timely manner, as to not disrupt our election schedule.

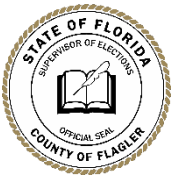
Pictures are provided here to show the areas to be included in this glass enclosure project.

Thank you for your consideration.

/s/ KL

Elections Canvassing Conference Room – Current Glass Walls:

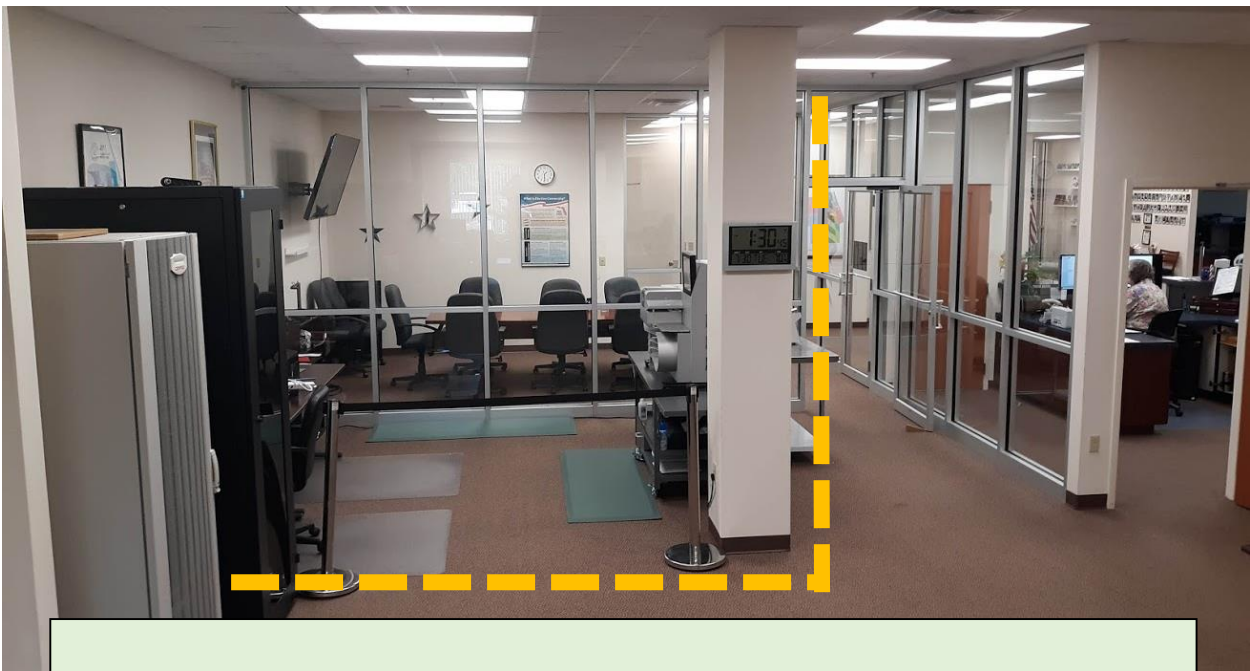




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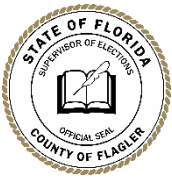
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Current Open Layout of Tabulation Area:



Plan:

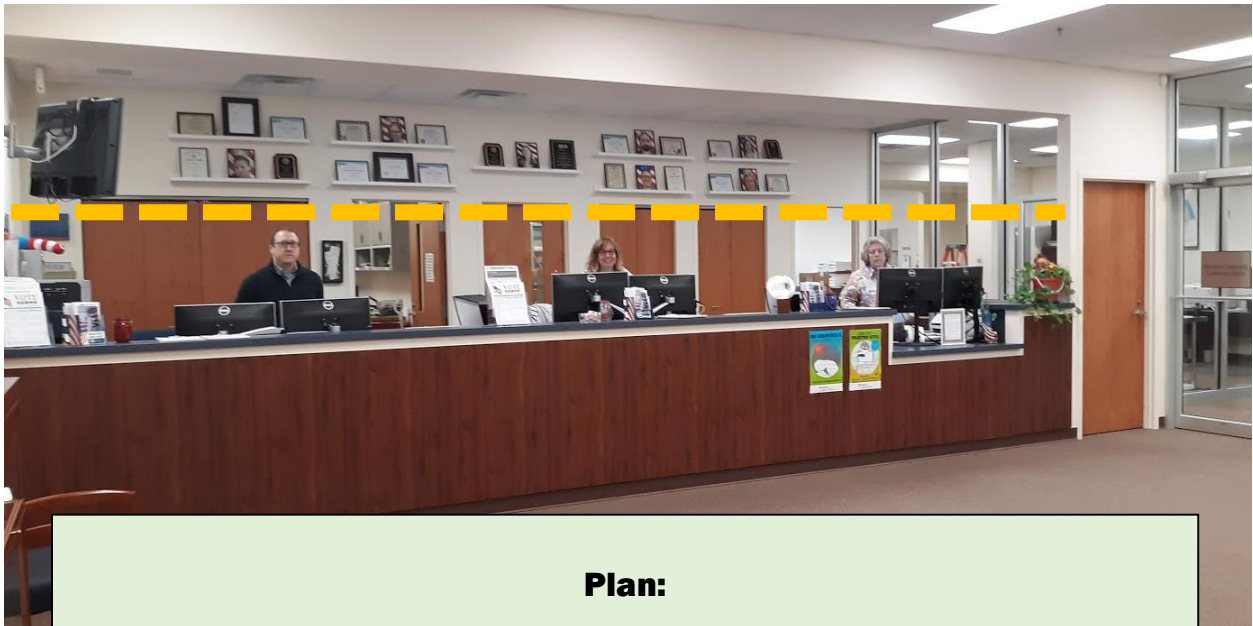
Extend the enclosure from Elections Canvassing Conference Room to create a room which can be locked, including the tabulation server (black cabinet, left) and high speed ballot scanner.



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Current Open Front Counter Area:



Plan:

Create a half-wall glass barrier between the public and front counter office staff, similar to a bank teller window.