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Once again my office premiered in setting a standard of excellence Tuesday, April 14, in facilitating the municipal elections for the cities of New Port Richey, Port Richey, San Antonio, and Zephyrhills. For the first time, municipalities voted using the optical scan voting equipment.

As a cost saving measure last year, we suggested the municipalities employ super precincts, or the combination of all city polling places into one large facility. Because of its success last year, the cities opted again to use super precincts, a concept city residents willingly embraced as well as city officials faced with budget constraints. Municipal elections are funded through city coffers with my office serving as facilitator, a partnership that has worked well in Pasco County.

Because of the smaller scale of municipal elections, staff was able to spend time visiting polling places on

election day. Staff went out in shifts to observe the election process from a different perspective rather than behind the scenes or from the classroom or conference room. Larger elections do not provide this opportunity as it takes “all hands on deck”, but the exercise was beneficial in helping us gain insight to improve training methods for poll workers and service to the voters.

Visiting polling places is just one more thing we do to maintain the standard of excellence in Pasco County. As we look ahead to submitting our new fiscal-year budget, we will undoubtedly face the challenge of accomplishing more with less. Exercises like this on off-election years help us to analyze each process, procedure and methodology to identify ways to make efficiency more cost-effective. Regardless of budget constraints, my goal is still to provide transparent yet secure elections with timely and accurate results. My staff and I stand ready for the challenge.