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Hi -

I have to admit to being a little confused as to what you're looking for regarding public comment, other than the fact that if a machine/electronics/software is used in any form or fashion during any part of the voting process, *all* the components had better function better-than-perfectly AND be secure beyond the point of reasonable expectations.

Cost-effectiveness, while obviously tempting, may not always be the safest route. A website that's incredibly sleek and professional looking is great (re; Election Systems), but the voting system companies that are indicating browser capabilities and hand-shakes with Microsoft don't necessarily fill me with confidence. However, I suppose that's what they are all eventually moving to? Speaking of browser capabilities, I repeatedly could not get Hart Intercivic to load this morning, whereas the other websites loaded nicely and moved around to pages within the sites quite well.

With all that said, on the one hand given those requirements I'd suggest going with a local company. If they meet all the specs, then sour grapes and other negative connotations from elsewhere shouldn't matter. On the other hand any system that can handle the Academy Awards voting is probably good if not exceptional plus this same company, Everyone Counts, appears to be excited about being a finalist in Denver's choices...

Bottom line, I don't need an enhanced voter experience, I just want the thing to do what it's supposed to without having to wonder if the software is #1, going to work, and #2, is going to get hacked/hijacked/or otherwise tampered or meddled with.

-->Also, a question; is all this intended to eliminate the mail-in paper ballot? Hopefully not!

Thank very much for the opportunity.

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