



NOTICE OF ELECTION

TO INCREASE TAXES / TO RETAIN EXCESS REVENUES /
TO INCREASE DEBT ON A CITIZEN PETITION / ON A REFERRED MEASURE

COORDINATED ELECTION
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2021

ANAYLSIS OF THE 2021 BALLOT PROPOSALS

THIS IS NOT A BALLOT
This contains information only.

This notice is mailed to each address with one or more registered voters. You may not have all of these issues on your ballot.

This packet contains summary statements for ballot issues as required by the State of Colorado Constitution, Article X, Section 20, also known as the Taxpayer Bill of Rights (TABOR).

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A "YES" vote on any ballot issue is a vote in favor of changing current law or existing circumstances.

A "NO" vote on any ballot issue is a vote against changing current law or existing circumstances.

This notice does not contain information on statewide measures. The Colorado Legislative Council's "Blue Book" will be mailed to you separately, or can be viewed at colorado.gov/bluebook.

I hereby certify that this packet contains all of the notices as provided by the various governmental entities pursuant to Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution.

Josh Zygielbaum
Adams County Clerk & Recorder

IMPORTANT DATES

October 8: Ballots mailed to all active registered voters.
October 8: 24-hour ballot drop boxes open.
October 25: Last day to request ballot by mail.
October 25: Phase 1 VSPCs open.
November 1: All VSPCs open.
November 2: Election Day, ballots due by 7 p.m.

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24-HOUR BALLOT DROP BOX LOCATIONS

Scan to see a map of drop box locations

Open October 8 - November 2, 2021



Aurora	Aurora Municipal Center - 15151 E. Alameda Pkwy. <i>(shared Arapahoe County Box)</i>
	Aurora Motor Vehicle - 3449 N. Chambers Rd.
	Colfax Community Network - 1585 Kingston St.
	University of Colorado Anschutz Campus - 12477 E. 19th Ave.
	Martin Luther King, Jr. Library - 9898 E. Colfax Ave. <i>(shared Arapahoe County box)</i>
Bennett	Bennett Motor Vehicle - 355 S. First St.
Brighton	Adams County Government Center - 4430 S. Adams County Pkwy.
	Adams County Justice Center - 1100 Judicial Center Dr.
	Brighton City Hall - 500 S. 4th Ave.
	Riverdale Animal Shelter - 12155 Park Blvd.
Byers	Kelver Public Library - 585 S. Main St. <i>(shared Arapahoe County box)</i>
Commerce City	Commerce City Civic Center - 7887 E. 60th Ave.
	Commerce City Motor Vehicle - 7190 Colorado Blvd.
Denver	Perl Mack Community Center - 7125 Mariposa St.
	Rotella Park - 1824 Coronado Pkwy. S.
Federal Heights	Federal Heights City Hall - 2380 W. 90th Ave.
Northglenn	Northglenn City Hall - 11701 Community Center Dr.
Strasburg	Strasburg Sheriff's Substation - 2550 Strasburg Rd.
Thornton	Anythink Library Wright Farms - 5877 E. 120th Ave.
	Hilltop Village Shopping Center - 13762 Colorado Blvd.
	Margaret Carpenter Recreation Center - 11151 Colorado Blvd.
	Thornton Civic Center - 9500 Civic Center Dr.
	Trail Winds Recreation Center - 13495 Holly St.
Westminster	Adams County Human Services Center - 11860 N. Pecos St.
	Adams County Western Services Center - 12200 N. Pecos St.
	Front Range Community College - 3645 W. 112th Ave.
	Westminster City Hall - 4800 W. 92nd Ave.
	Westminster Motor Vehicle - 8452 N. Federal Blvd.

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VOTER SERVICE & POLLING CENTERS (VSPCs)

Scan to see a map
of VSPC locations

Voting, ballot replacement, ballot drop box, ADA accessible ballot marking devices, new voter registration, and voter registration updates available at all locations.



Phase 1: Open beginning October 25 <i>(see calendar below for details)</i>	
Aurora	Martin Luther King, Jr. Library - 9898 E. Colfax Ave. <i>(shared Arapahoe County VSPC)</i>
	Moorhead Recreation Center - 2390 Havana St.
Bennett	Bennett Motor Vehicle Office - 355 S. First St.
Brighton	Adams County Government Center (West Entrance) - 4430 S. Adams County Pkwy.
Commerce City	Commerce City Motor Vehicle - 7190 Colorado Blvd.
Westminster	Adams County Western Services Center - 12200 N. Pecos St.
	Westminster Motor Vehicle - 8452 N. Federal Blvd.

Phase 2: Open beginning November 1 <i>(see calendar below for details)</i>	
Aurora	University of Colorado Anschutz Campus - 13121 E. 17th Ave.
Westminster	Front Range Community College - 3645 W. 112th Ave.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
October 24	25 Phase 1 VSPCs open 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	26 Phase 1 VSPCs open 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	27 Phase 1 VSPCs open 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	28 Phase 1 VSPCs open 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	29 Phase 1 VSPCs open 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	30 Phase 1 VSPCs open 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. <i>(Arapahoe County's Martin Luther King, Jr Library open 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.)</i>
31 VSPCs closed	November 1 ALL VSPCs open 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	2 ELECTION DAY ALL VSPCs open 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. mail ballots must be received by 7 pm	3	4	5	6

TO: ALL REGISTERED VOTERS

Notice of Election to Increase Taxes
on a Referred Measure

CITY OF BRIGHTON
Adams and Weld Counties, Colorado

Election Date: Tuesday, November 2, 2021
Election Hours: 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Local Election Office Address and Telephone Number:
Natalie Hoel, City Clerk
City of Brighton
500 South 4th Avenue
Brighton, Colorado 80601
Telephone: 303-655-2056

Ballot Title and Text:

BALLOT ISSUE NO. 3B:

SHALL CITY OF BRIGHTON TAXES BE INCREASED BY \$2,000,000 ANNUALLY IN THE FIRST FISCAL YEAR (2022), AND BY SUCH AMOUNTS RAISED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER BY IMPOSING A TAX OF 4% ON THE SALE OF MARIJUANA AND MARIJUANA PRODUCTS, WHICH TAX SHALL BE IN ADDITION TO THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL SALES TAX ON SUCH SALES, WITH REVENUES DERIVED THEREFROM USED TO FUND CAPITAL PROJECTS INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, RECREATIONAL AMENITIES, WITH NO MORE THAN 20% OF THE REVENUES SPENT ON ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS, AND WITH ALL SUCH REVENUES COLLECTED AND SPENT AS A VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REVENUE OR EXPENDITURE LIMITATIONS IN ARTICLE X, §20, OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION OR ANY OTHER LAW; AND SHALL THE OPERATION OF MARIJUANA BUSINESSES BE PERMITTED IN THE CITY OF BRIGHTON, SUBJECT TO ORDINANCES AND REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY CITY COUNCIL?

Fiscal Information

Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year Spending
2017 (Actual)	\$ 50,186,167
2018 (Actual)	\$ 49,107,800
2019 (Actual)	\$ 51,299,733
2020 (Actual)	\$ 56,055,300
2021 (Estimated)	\$ 55,254,970

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2018 (Actual)	\$ 49,107,800
2019 (Actual)	\$ 51,299,733
2020 (Actual)	\$ 56,055,300
2021 (Estimated)	\$ 55,254,970

Overall percentage change 2017 to 2021:	10.10%
Overall dollar change 2017 to 2021:	\$ 5,068,803
Estimated 2022 (first full fiscal year) of Proposed Tax Increase:	\$2,000,000
Estimated 2022 fiscal year spending without Proposed Tax increase:	\$58,620,180

Summary of Written Comments FOR Ballot Issue No. 3B:

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

Summary of Written Comments AGAINST Ballot Issue No. 3B:

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

TO: ALL REGISTERED VOTERS

NOTICE OF ELECTION TO INCREASE TAXES ON A REFERRED MEASURE

CITY OF WESTMINSTER
Adams County, Colorado

Election Date: Tuesday, November 2, 2021
Election Hours: 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Local Election Office: City Clerk
4800 W. 92nd Avenue
Westminster, CO 80031
303-658-2161
cityclerk@cityofwestminster.us

Ballot Title and Text of Ballot Issue:

City of Westminster Ballot Issue #3L

SHALL CITY TAXES BE INCREASED BY \$2 MILLION ANNUALLY IN THE FIRST FULL FISCAL YEAR AND BY SUCH AMOUNTS AS ARE RAISED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER BY IMPOSING AN ADDITIONAL SALES TAX OF 5% ON THE SALE OF RETAIL MARIJUANA AND RETAIL MARIJUANA PRODUCTS SOLD WITHIN THE CITY, WITH THE TAX REVENUES BEING USED TO FUND THE ENFORCEMENT OF REGULATIONS ON THE RETAIL MARIJUANA INDUSTRY, OTHER COSTS RELATED TO ENFORCEMENT OF MARIJUANA LAWS, EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAMS ASSOCIATED WITH MARIJUANA CONSUMPTION INCLUDING PREVENTION OF UNDERAGE CONSUMPTION, AND OTHER CITY EXPENSES, AND WITH THE RESULTING TAX REVENUE BEING ALLOWED TO BE COLLECTED AND SPENT NOTWITHSTANDING ANY LIMITATIONS PROVIDED BY LAW?

Fiscal Information

Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year Spending
2017 Actual	\$169,399,293
2018 Actual	\$172,041,576
2019 Actual	\$189,482,794
2020 Actual	\$180,969,033
2021 (Estimated)	\$174,851,035
Overall percentage change 2017-2021:	3.22%
Overall dollar change 2017-2021	\$5,451,742
Estimated 2022 (first full fiscal year) maximum amount of increase:	\$2,000,000
Estimated 2022 fiscal year spending without the increase:	\$196,852,141

Summary of Written Comments FOR Ballot Issue 3L:

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

Summary of Written Comments AGAINST Ballot Issue 3L:

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

Ballot Title and Text of Ballot Issue:

City of Westminster Ballot Issue #3M

SHALL THE CITY OF WESTMINSTER TAXES BE INCREASED 5.0 MILLION DOLLARS ANNUALLY AND BY WHATEVER ADDITIONAL AMOUNTS ARE RAISED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER BY INCREASING THE RATE OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY SALES AND USE TAX LEVIED ON THE CITY BY FIFTEEN-HUNDREDTHS OF ONE PERCENT, BEGINNING ON JANUARY 1, 2022 AND,

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IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, SHALL THE CITY OF WESTMINSTER DEBT BE INCREASED 25 MILLION DOLLARS WITH A REPAYMENT COST OF 34 MILLION DOLLARS (MAXIMUM TOTAL PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST) WITH ALL PROCEEDS OF DEBT AND TAXES TO BE USED EXCLUSIVELY TO IMPROVE AND ENHANCE THE SAFETY AND SECURITY OF WESTMINSTER RESIDENTS, TO INCLUDE:

- MAINTAINING THE CURRENT LEVEL AND QUALITY OF RESPONSE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY EMERGENCIES AND FIRES, INCLUDING POLICE, FIRE, AND MUNICIPAL COURT SERVICES,
- PROVIDING NECESSARY SAFETY GEAR, EQUIPMENT, PUBLIC SAFETY VEHICLES, AND FACILITIES FOR POLICE OFFICERS, FIREFIGHTERS AND OTHER FIRST RESPONDERS,
- ENSURING ADEQUATE POLICE OFFICERS, CO-RESPONDERS, AND FIREFIGHTERS NECESSARY TO RESPOND TO INCREASED EMERGENCY CALLS, AND
- IMPROVING TRAINING AND INCREASING MENTAL HEALTH CO- RESPONDERS TO SAFELY HANDLE EMERGENCY CALLS,

WITH THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE FUNDS WILL BE SUBJECT TO AN ANNUAL INDEPENDENT AUDIT PUBLISHED ON THE CITY'S WEB SITE, AND SHALL THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH DEBT, SUCH TAXES, ANY GRANTS RECEIVED BY THE CITY FOR PUBLIC SAFETY, AND ANY INVESTMENT INCOME THEREFROM BE EXCLUDED FROM THE SPENDING AND THE REVENUE LIMITATIONS OF ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION?

Fiscal Information

Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year Spending
2017 Actual	\$169,399,293
2018 Actual	\$172,041,576
2019 Actual	\$189,482,794
2020 Actual	\$180,969,033
2021 (Estimated)	\$174,851,035
Overall percentage change 2017-2021:	3.22%
Overall dollar change 2017-2021	\$5,451,742
Estimated 2022 (first full fiscal year) maximum amount of increase:	\$5,000,000
Estimated 2022 fiscal year spending without the increase:	\$196,852,141

Information on District's Proposed bonded debt:

Principal Amount	\$25,000,000
Maximum Annual Repayment Cost	\$1,680,500
Total Repayment Cost	\$34,000,000

Information on District's Current bonded debt:

Principal Amount	\$18,000,000
Maximum Annual Repayment Cost	\$3,352,819
Total Repayment Cost	\$22,089,856

Summary of Written Comments FOR Ballot Issue 3M:

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

Summary of Written Comments AGAINST Ballot Issue 3M:

1. There are no failures, deficiencies or crisis in Westminster Public Safety Departments. There are no problems to fix, so why has the 25% tax increase been proposed? There is no need for this tax increase. Vote no.
2. What, if anything, is proposed to be purchased with the proceeds of a \$25 million dollar bond issue? Our Public Safety Departments operate with some of the best, state of the art, flexible facilities and equipment. Our Public Safety Department has recently received grants from Federal sources. We do not need a helicopter or another tank. Vote no.
3. The voters should not allocate money before a responsible plan to use the money has been completed in detail. No blank checks. Vote no.
4. This ballot issue is not the result of a thoughtful, thorough, deliberate process. This was not passed at a regular council meeting. This was placed on the ballot at a Special City Council meeting at the very last minute. This is not the way to

conduct city business. Vote no.

5. Over the last 5 years, while the work load of total Fire/EMS incidents has increased 15%, there is still lots of additional capacity. CAFR reported Police responses and citations have significantly dropped (around a 40% decrease). The bottom line is there is no need for additional taxes or debt for Public Safety. Vote no.

Ballot Title and Text of Ballot Issue:

City of Westminster Ballot Issue #3N

SHALL THE CITY OF WESTMINSTER DEBT BE INCREASED 15 MILLION DOLLARS WITH A REPAYMENT COST OF 20.2 MILLION DOLLARS (MAXIMUM TOTAL PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST) AND WITHOUT ANY TAX RATE INCREASES, SHALL THE CITY OF WESTMINSTER EXTEND THE CURRENT EXPIRATION OF THE ONE-QUARTER OF ONE PERCENT PARKS, OPEN SPACE, AND TRAILS SALES AND USE TAX UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2041, FOR PURPOSES INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING:

- PROTECTING WATER QUALITY BY CONSERVING NATURAL AREAS ALONG CREEKS,
- PROTECTING, ACQUIRING, IMPROVING, REPAIRING AND MAINTAINING ALL CITY PARKS, TRAILS, WILDLIFE HABITAT, OPEN SPACE, PARKLAND, AND RECREATIONAL AND OTHER FACILITIES, AND
- PROVIDING MORE OPPORTUNITIES FOR ACTIVE RECREATION FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH, ADULTS AND SENIORS;

WITH THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE FUNDS WILL BE SUBJECT TO AN ANNUAL INDEPENDENT AUDIT PUBLISHED ON THE CITY'S WEB SITE, AND SHALL THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH DEBT, SUCH TAXES, ANY GRANTS RECEIVED BY THE CITY FOR PARKS, OPEN SPACE AND TRAILS, AND ANY INVESTMENT INCOME THEREFROM BE EXCLUDED FROM THE SPENDING AND THE REVENUE LIMITATIONS OF ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION?

Fiscal Information

Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year Spending
2017 Actual	\$169,399,293
2018 Actual	\$172,041,576
2019 Actual	\$189,482,794
2020 Actual	\$180,969,033
2021 (Estimated)	\$174,851,035
 Overall percentage change 2017-2021:	 3.22%
Overall dollar change 2017-2021	\$5,451,742
 Estimated 2022 (first full fiscal year) maximum amount of increase:	 \$7,600,000
Estimated 2022 fiscal year spending without the increase:	\$196,852,141

Information on District's Proposed bonded debt:

Principal Amount	\$15,000,000
Maximum Annual Repayment Cost	\$1,009,000
Total Repayment Cost	\$20,200,000

Information on District's Current bonded debt:

Principal Amount	\$18,000,000
Maximum Annual Repayment Cost	\$3,352,819
Total Repayment Cost	\$22,089,856

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Summary of Written Comments FOR Ballot Issue 3N:

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

Summary of Written Comments AGAINST Ballot Issue 3N:

1. In 1985 the open space tax was promised to be a temporary tax levied to repay bonds issued to buy land to accomplish the specific goal of 15% open space in Westminster. In 2006, when the 15% goal had not been met, the voters allowed additional bonds and extended the tax duration to 2032. According to the City website, Westminster has preserved over 3,700 acres throughout the city and has accomplished the original goal of preserving 15% of the city’s land area. The original promise of 15% open space has been met. It is time fulfill the original promise of the tax being temporary. Do not extend the duration of the tax beyond the 2032 deadline in the 2006 voter approved measure.
2. This approval of debt and the extension of the duration of the tax does not buy more open space. There are no identified parcels to buy. Debt should be used only to buy capital assets.
3. The tasks set forth in this measure are maintenance tasks. They should be funded by the year-to-year budget process. A one-time debt issue should not be used to fund 10 years of normal activities.
4. The city has repeatedly allowed increases in, and in some cases subsidized, high density apartment complexes. This crowding in of thousands of new people reduces the benefits and gains accomplished by the open space program. To reward the city and trust them to responsibly and properly use these funds is foolish.

TO: ALL REGISTERED VOTERS

**Notice of Election to Increase Taxes and Debt
on a Referred Measure**

**SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 27J
Adams and Weld Counties and the City and County of Broomfield, Colorado**

Election Date: Tuesday, November 2, 2021
Election Hours: 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Lynn Ann Sheats, Designated Election Official
School District No. 27J
18551 E. 160th Avenue
Brighton, CO 80601
Telephone: 303-655-2952

Ballot Title and Text:

BALLOT ISSUE NO. 5A:

SHALL SCHOOL DISTRICT 27J TAXES BE INCREASED \$16 MILLION BEGINNING IN TAX COLLECTION YEAR 2022, AND BY WHATEVER AMOUNTS AS MAY BE GENERATED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER BY THE IMPOSITION OF AN ADDITIONAL MILL LEVY OF NOT TO EXCEED 8 MILLS, BY THE COLLECTION OF AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES FOR DEPOSIT IN THE DISTRICT’S GENERAL FUND FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

RECRUITING, ATTRACTING AND RETAINING QUALITY TEACHERS AND STAFF BY INCREASING SALARIES;

PROVIDING ENHANCED CAREER FOCUSED LEARNING AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION INCLUDING SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING AND MATH (STEM) SO THAT STUDENTS GAIN THE SKILLS THEY NEED FOR JOBS AND CAREERS;

AND PROVIDED THAT 1 MILL OF THE 8 MILLS SPECIFIED ABOVE SHALL BE ALLOCATED TO THE ONGOING CAPITAL NEEDS OF THE DISTRICT, INCLUDING CHARTER SCHOOLS AUTHORIZED BY THE DISTRICT, WHICH NEEDS MAY INCLUDE THE REPAYMENT OF EXISTING CAPITAL OBLIGATIONS OF CHARTER SCHOOL PARTNERS TO EQUITABLY SUPPORT THE EDUCATION OF ALL STUDENTS ENROLLED IN DISTRICT SCHOOLS AND CHARTER SCHOOLS IN SUCH A MANNER AS DETERMINED BY THE BOARD; WITH SUCH AMOUNT IS IN ADDITION TO THE AMOUNT REQUIRED TO BE SHARED PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-32-108.5 C.R.S.; AND

PROVIDED FURTHER THAT THE EXPENDITURE OF SUCH REVENUES WILL BE MONITORED BY A BOARD OF EDUCATION APPOINTED OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE OF RESIDENTS;

AND SHALL SUCH TAX INCREASE BE AN ADDITIONAL PROPERTY TAX MILL LEVY IN EXCESS OF THE LEVY AUTHORIZED FOR THE DISTRICT’S GENERAL FUND, PURSUANT TO AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 22-54-108, C.R.S., AND SHALL THE DISTRICT BE AUTHORIZED TO INCREASE SUCH MILL LEVY BEGINNING IN TAX COLLECTION YEAR 2022 AND ANNUALLY THEREAFTER TO OFFSET PROPERTY TAX REFUNDS OR ABATEMENTS OR REDUCTIONS IN THE PERCENTAGE OF ACTUAL VALUATION USED TO DETERMINE ASSESSED VALUATION; AND SHALL THE DISTRICT BE AUTHORIZED TO COLLECT, RETAIN AND SPEND ALL REVENUES FROM SUCH TAXES AND THE EARNINGS FROM THE INVESTMENT OF SUCH REVENUES AS A VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE UNDER ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION?

BALLOT ISSUE NO. 5B:

WITH NO EXPECTED INCREASE IN THE DISTRICT'S CURRENT BOND MILL LEVY OF 22.069 MILLS, SHALL SCHOOL DISTRICT 27J DEBT BE INCREASED \$515 MILLION, WITH A MAXIMUM TOTAL REPAYMENT COST OF NOT MORE THAN \$997 MILLION, AND SHALL THE DISTRICT BE AUTHORIZED TO COLLECT TAXES SUFFICIENT TO PAY PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON SUCH DEBT BUT NOT EXCEEDING \$58 MILLION ANNUALLY FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PURPOSES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

ACQUIRE, CONSTRUCT AND EQUIP NEEDED ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS, TWO MIDDLE SCHOOLS AND A COMPREHENSIVE HIGH SCHOOL TO ADDRESS OVERCROWDING CAUSED BY GROWTH IN THE COMMUNITY;

CONSTRUCT AND EQUIP FACILITIES AT ALL OF THE DISTRICT'S COMPREHENSIVE HIGH SCHOOLS TO DELIVER ENHANCED SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING AND MATH (STEM) CURRICULUM AND INNOVATIVE CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION (CTE) PROGRAMMING TO ADDRESS CURRENT AND FUTURE WORK FORCE NEEDS;

INVEST IN CAPITAL FACILITIES IMPROVEMENTS IN DISTRICT SCHOOLS INCLUDING DISTRICT AUTHORIZED CHARTER SCHOOLS;

PROVIDED THAT THE EXPENDITURE OF BOND PROCEEDS WILL BE MONITORED BY A BOARD OF EDUCATION APPOINTED OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE OF RESIDENTS;

SUCH DEBT TO BE EVIDENCED BY THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, WHICH SHALL BEAR INTEREST, MATURE, BE SUBJECT TO REDEMPTION, WITH OR WITHOUT PREMIUM OF NOT TO EXCEED 3%, AND BE ISSUED, DATED AND SOLD AT SUCH TIME OR TIMES, AT SUCH PRICES (AT, ABOVE OR BELOW PAR) AND IN SUCH MANNER AND CONTAINING SUCH TERMS, NOT INCONSISTENT HEREWITH, AS THE DISTRICT MAY DETERMINE; AND SHALL AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES BE LEVIED IN ANY YEAR AT A MILL LEVY SUFFICIENT IN EACH YEAR TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON SUCH DEBT AND ANY REFUNDING DEBT WHEN DUE AND TO FUND A RESERVE FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF, PROVIDED THAT ANY REVENUE PRODUCED BY THIS MILL LEVY SHALL NOT EXCEED \$58 MILLION ANNUALLY?

Total District Fiscal Year Spending

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	
2021-2022 (estimated)	\$ 215,726,181
2020-2021 (actual)	\$ 197,894,426
2019-2020 (actual)	\$ 201,891,759
2018-2019 (actual)	\$ 180,971,899
2017-2018 (actual)	\$ 160,763,949
Overall percentage change from 2017-18 to 2021-22	34.19%
Overall dollar change from 2017-18 to 2021-22	\$54,962,232

Proposed Tax Increase

District Estimate of the Maximum Dollar Amount of the Proposed Tax Increase For Fiscal Year 2022-23 (the First Full Fiscal Year of the Proposed Tax Increase):

BALLOT ISSUE NO. 5A: \$16,000,000

District Estimate of 2022-23 Fiscal Year Spending Without Proposed Tax Increase: \$ 224,284,500

Information on District's Proposed Debt

BALLOT ISSUE NO. 5B:

Principal Amount of Proposed Bonds:	Not to exceed \$515,000,000
Maximum Annual District Repayment Cost:	Not to exceed \$ 58,000,000
Total District Repayment Cost:	Not to exceed \$997,000,000

Information on District's Current Debt*

Principal Amount Outstanding Debt:	\$318,490,000.00
Maximum Annual Repayment Cost:	\$25,980,772.50
Remaining Total Repayment Cost:	\$511,922,871.25

Summary of Written Comments FOR Ballot Issue No. 5A:

Having high quality schools in our community helps all of us because they attract businesses and good jobs, keep our neighborhoods safe, our property values high, and make life better for all of us. 27J schools are doing a great job educating over 20,000 kids. However, being one of the fastest growing districts, up 37% from 10 years ago and still growing, and having the third-lowest funding per child of any school district in Colorado is taking a toll. Teacher pay is falling short, more than \$10,000 dollars less on average, and as a result, teachers are leaving for nearby districts. Student demand for skilled trades and vocational training programs is higher than the school district's ability to staff them. For example, 100 kids want a STEM or technical education class but only 40 can be admitted. As a community, it's time we come together like others around us have, and invest local support for the local kids we believe in.

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*Excluded from debt are enterprise and annual appropriation obligations.

Support for 5A means new funding to address priorities that community members identified at the 27J Summit, focus groups in all three cities in 27j boundaries: Brighton, Thornton and Commerce City, and multiple parent online surveys. Community priorities are: (1) expanding STEM and career and technical education programs and (2) recruiting and retaining effective teachers by offering reasonable salary increases.

College is a pathway to a good paying career but not every 27J student is going to attend college. Expanding STEM and career and technical education programs will allow students to choose from 19 different career paths. Our future welders, cyber security, biomedical, auto mechanics and building trades students are ready to work hard and earn industry certifications in high school if voters give them the opportunity. College bound students will be able to access more advanced classes and earn college credit while in high school. Your future workforce is attending your schools today and it's up to all of us to believe in them and invest in them.

Having a caring and competent teacher in every classroom determines whether students learn and thrive in school. By offering a reasonable and competitive salary, we can retain high quality teachers at the elementary, middle, and high school level.

Believing in our kids and investing in their success is affordable. For the \$425,000 average home in Adams County, the cost will be \$237 per year. That's cheaper than one pizza delivery a month. Your YES vote on 5A will make a difference to over 20,000 kids. BELIEVE! INVEST! VOTE YES on 5A for 27j KIDS.

Summary of Written Comments AGAINST Ballot Issue No. 5A:

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

Summary of Written Comments FOR Ballot Issue No. 5B:

Everyone in the community benefits from great schools. Voters in 27j are proud of their support for past bond measure that brought a new high school, new middle school, two new elementary schools and upgrades to every building. Additionally, safety and security measures were improved. All projects were completed on time and on budget thanks to the dedicated work of the 27j Citizens Bond Oversight Committee. While this is news worth celebrating, challenges remain.

There is not enough space for the growth that is occurring. Just by driving around, it is evident that new houses and new apartment buildings mean additional kids are coming to school. More than 1,165 new students have enrolled since October of last year. Many schools are near or over capacity, and 27j is projected to enroll 3,400 additional students in the next five years. There are overcrowded classrooms and schools with enrollment that is over capacity.

Schools cannot be built in a day and planning for the future is an important step in the management of any school district. 5B is an exciting, future forward investment in all 27j kids.

STEM (science, technology, engineering, math) courses, career focused learning, and technical education programs are in high demand! Students want these courses and over 45 business partners are working with 27j teachers to make sure skills being taught are the skills needed for today's work force. Teaching students a skilled trade takes space and resources. Welding shops, building trade sites, robotics, cyber security, and culinary kitchens are just several of the 19 pathways students will be able to enroll in if 5B is successful. In addition to every high school having a career and technical annex to host these classes, new schools at all levels will be constructed in high growth areas.

Not all 27j kids are on the way to college. It's time we invest in the kids that want to stay in our communities and have a good paying job right out of high school. 5B is an easy YES VOTE because 27j has increased its assessed valuation so there is no additional tax increase to voters. Believe in your 27j kids and VOTE YES on 5B!

Summary of Written Comments AGAINST Ballot Issue No. 5B:

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

ALL REGISTERED VOTERS
WIGGINS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE50J
ADAMS COUNTY, COLORADO

NOTICE OF ELECTION TO INCREASE TAXES AND TO INCREASE DEBT ON A REFERRED MEASURE

Election date: November 2, 2021
Election hours: 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Election by Mail Ballot
Deadline for receipt of ballots: November 2, 2021 7:00 p.m.

Local election office address and phone number:
Designated Election Official: Cary Allen, Wiggins School District RE50J, 404 Chapman Street, Wiggins, Colorado 80654; telephone number (970) 483-7762 x4206

Ballot title and text:

Wiggins School District RE50J Ballot Issue 5W - General Obligation Bonds

SHALL WIGGINS SCHOOL DISTRICT RE50J DEBT BE INCREASED \$29.9 MILLION, WITH A REPAYMENT COST OF UP TO \$49.5 MILLION, AND SHALL DISTRICT TAXES BE INCREASED UP TO \$3.3 MILLION ANNUALLY FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES:

- CONSTRUCTING A NEW FULLY-EQUIPPED ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (3RD GRADE THROUGH 6TH GRADE) WITH CLASSROOMS ALLOWING FOR THE LATEST TECHNOLOGY AND ROOM FOR FUTURE GROWTH;
- EQUIPPING NEW CLASSROOMS WITH UPGRADED TECHNOLOGY FACILITATING HEAD START LEARNING SKILLS;
- PROVIDING THE NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL WITH A MODERN SECURITY SYSTEM ENHANCING SCHOOL SAFETY;
- EXPANDING AND MODERNIZING THE PRESCHOOL BUILDING AND THE EXISTING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUILDING TO IMPROVE THE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT, INCLUDING NEW TECHNOLOGY AND STUDENT SAFETY UPGRADES;
- PROVIDING SPACE FOR BEFORE AND AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS;
- PROVIDING SPACE FOR STUDENT MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING AND SCHOOL NURSE SERVICES;

AND TO THE EXTENT FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE ACQUIRING, CONSTRUCTING, RENOVATING AND REPAIRING DISTRICT CAPITAL ASSETS, BY THE ISSUANCE AND PAYMENT OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS WHICH SHALL BEAR INTEREST, MATURE, BE SUBJECT TO REDEMPTION, WITH OR WITHOUT PREMIUM, AND BE ISSUED AT SUCH TIME, AT SUCH PRICE (AT, ABOVE OR BELOW PAR) AND IN SUCH MANNER AND CONTAINING SUCH TERMS, NOT INCONSISTENT WITH THIS BALLOT ISSUE, AS THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MAY DETERMINE; SHALL AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES BE LEVIED WITHOUT LIMIT AS TO THE MILL RATE NOT INCONSISTENT WITH THE COST PARAMETERS SET FORTH ABOVE AND IN AN AMOUNT SUFFICIENT IN EACH YEAR TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF, PREMIUM IF ANY, AND INTEREST ON SUCH DEBT AND TO FUND ANY RESERVES FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF; AND SHALL THE DISTRICT'S DEBT LIMIT BE ESTABLISHED AT 6% OF THE ACTUAL VALUE OF THE DISTRICT'S TAXABLE PROPERTY TO PERMIT THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS?

Actual historical and current estimated fiscal year spending information:

Year	Fiscal Year Spending ¹
2017-2018 (actual)	\$25,803,889
2018-2019 (actual)	20,310,330
2019-2020 (actual)	10,136,071
2020-2021 (unaudited)	10,320,622
2021-2022 (current year estimated)	24,850,908

Overall percentage change in fiscal year spending
over the five year period from 2017-2018 through 2021-2022: (3.69)%

Overall dollar change in fiscal year spending
over the five year period from 2017-2018 through 2021-2022: \$(925,981)

Estimated 2021-2022 fiscal year spending without taking
into account the tax increase authorized by Ballot Issue 5W: \$24,850,908

Estimated 2021-2022 tax increase authorized by Ballot Issue 5W: \$3,300,000

Information regarding bonded debt proposed by Ballot Issue 5W (on a calendar year basis):

Principal amount:	\$29,900,000
Maximum annual repayment cost:	\$3,300,000
Maximum total repayment cost:	\$49,500,000

¹Fiscal year spending includes amounts expended by the District for bonded debt service.

Information regarding current bonded debt (on a calendar year basis):

Principal balance:	\$26,280,000
Maximum annual repayment cost:	\$2,314,750
Maximum remaining total repayment cost:	\$36,570,675

Summaries of written comments filed with the election officer:

The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons FOR Ballot Issue 5W:

Our Future Starts with “Yes on 5W”!

It has been 5 years since Wiggins Public Schools asked our voters to improve our facilities. Our district has been an excellent steward of our tax dollars by frugally managing these funds, resulting in higher test scores and academic standards, and solid results in the classroom. However, our success has also become our hurdle. By providing excellent PreK-12 academic resources and addressing the Covid-19 pandemic in the successful way we have has helped draw new residents to our community. Now is the time to continue to support our schools with the resources they need for continued success and to show our pride in Wiggins!

Voting Yes on 5W will enable Wiggins Schools to tackle the challenges of all families in our district, not just those of families moving to our community. Yes on 5W is a smart investment in Wiggins’s future, benefitting students by relieving classroom overcrowding, addressing classroom safety, and modernizing aging technology. Your Yes vote will enhance the opportunity for our children to continue to learn in a first-class academic environment, resulting in high-quality outcomes and ratings.

Over the last 5 years:

- More than 400 homes have been built in Wiggins School District leading our enrollment to increase by 241 students, a 41% increase.
- The current amount of homes in the construction and planning stage will result in a projected 275 new students in Wiggins within the next 3 years.
- There are another minimum of 343 homes planned in the various subdivisions inside the Wiggins School District Boundaries.
- Our quality of life, our excellent schools and our focus on the health and safety of our students has drawn families to move to our community.
- Since the legalization of marijuana, the State has not sent any marijuana revenue for capital improvements to Wiggins Public Schools.

Ballot Issue 5W – 6 Capital Needs to Continue Academic Excellence

Yes on 5W – A frugal \$29.9 Million measure to address pressing needs throughout Wiggins Schools

Including:

- Building new classrooms to handle current growth and to stay ahead of our growth curve for several years,
- New technology to help our youngest kids get a head start on learning,
- Upgraded classroom security for our youngest kids.
- Sustaining our excellence in the classroom by building learning space for our Pre-K students helping them prepare for elementary school,
- Building space for before and after school programs to allow working parents to have more options for childcare,
- Provide needed space for mental health counseling and school nurse services.

Wiggins schools are a central part of our community’s economic stability because we have a strong history of INVESTING in ourselves. Yes on 5W will accomplish this for only \$2.73/month for each \$100,000 of actual home value. Important! Seniors 65 and over benefit from the Homestead Exemption Act for some property tax relief.

Please join us in voting “YES on 5W”. This is NOT a wish list; these are must have improvements for our kids and our future!

The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons AGAINST Ballot Issue 5W:

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

TO: ALL REGISTERED VOTERS

NOTICE OF ELECTION TO INCREASE TAXES AND DEBT
ON A REFERRED MEASURE

CITY OF COMMERCE CITY NORTHERN INFRASTRUCTURE
GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
Adams County, Colorado

Election Date: Tuesday, November 2, 2021
Election Hours: 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Local Election Office Address and Telephone Number:
Dylan Gibson
City Clerk
City of Commerce City
7887 E. 60th Avenue
Commerce City, CO 80022
303-289-3611

Ballot Title and Text:

BALLOT ISSUE 6A: CITY OF COMMERCE CITY NORTHERN INFRASTRUCTURE GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

SHALL COMMERCE CITY NORTHERN INFRASTRUCTURE GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT TAXES BE INCREASED \$10 MILLION IN 2021 FOR COLLECTION IN 2022 AND BY WHATEVER AMOUNTS ARE COLLECTED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER BY THE IMPOSITION OF AN AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAX AT A MILL LEVY RATE NOT TO EXCEED 20 MILLS (WHICH IS THE MILL LEVY CURRENTLY IMPOSED TO PAY DISTRICT DEBT SERVICE) TO PAY FOR OPERATIONS, MAINTENANCE, AND ANY CAPITAL PROJECTS OF THE DISTRICT AUTHORIZED BY LAW WHICH MAY INCLUDE BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:

CONSTRUCTING AND IMPROVING PUBLIC SAFETY AND OTHER PUBLIC FACILITIES;

CONSTRUCTING, IMPROVING AND WIDENING STREETS AND RELATED FACILITIES;

CONSTRUCTING, IMPROVING, AND EXPANDING WATER MAINS, PIPES, VALVES AND RELATED FACILITIES;

CONSTRUCTING, IMPROVING, AND EXPANDING SEWER MAINS, PIPES, AND RELATED FACILITIES;

CONSTRUCTING, IMPROVING, AND EXPANDING STORM DRAINAGE DETENTION FACILITIES, CHANNELS, CONVEYANCES, PIPES, AND RELATED FACILITIES;

CONSTRUCTING, IMPROVING, REPAIRING, REPLACING, AND EXPANDING, PARKS, RECREATION FACILITIES, OPEN SPACE, TRAILS, AND RELATED FACILITIES;

PROVIDED THAT THE MAXIMUM MILL LEVY IMPOSED BY THE DISTRICT PURSUANT TO THIS BALLOT QUESTION SHALL NOT EXCEED THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN 20 MILLS AND THE NUMBER OF MILLS NECESSARY TO PAY THE ANNUAL DEBT SERVICE DUE ON OUTSTANDING DEBT OF THE DISTRICT;

AND SHALL THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH TAXES AND INVESTMENT EARNINGS THEREON COLLECTED AND SPENT BY THE DISTRICT WITHOUT REGARD TO ANY SPENDING, REVENUE RAISING OR OTHER LIMITATION CONTAINED WITHIN ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION AND ANY OTHER LAW INCLUDING SECTION 29-1-301, COLORADO REVISED STATUTES?

BALLOT ISSUE 6B: CITY OF COMMERCE CITY NORTHERN INFRASTRUCTURE GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

SHALL THE CITY OF COMMERCE CITY NORTHERN INFRASTRUCTURE GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT DEBT BE INCREASED \$295 MILLION WITH A REPAYMENT COST OF UP TO \$709 MILLION, AND SHALL THE DISTRICT BE AUTHORIZED TO COLLECT TAXES SUFFICIENT TO PAY SUCH DEBT BUT NOT EXCEEDING \$27.6 MILLION ANNUALLY; AND SHALL SUCH DEBT BE A GENERAL OBLIGATION OF THE DISTRICT PAYABLE FROM A MILL LEVY THAT, ON THE DATE OF ANY ISSUANCE OF SUCH DEBT, IS NOT EXPECTED TO REQUIRE THE DISTRICT TO INCREASE ITS DEBT SERVICE MILL LEVY ABOVE 20 MILLS TO PAY ANNUAL DEBT SERVICE ON ALL OUTSTANDING DEBT AND THE DEBT TO BE ISSUED PURSUANT TO THIS QUESTION, BUT WHICH, IF NECESSARY, MAY BE INCREASED IN ANY YEAR WITHOUT LIMITATION AS TO RATE BUT ONLY IN AN AMOUNT SUFFICIENT TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND PREMIUM, IF ANY, AND INTEREST ON SUCH DEBT OR ANY DEBT ISSUED TO REFINANCE SUCH DEBT (OR TO CREATE A RESERVE FOR SUCH PAYMENT); AND SHALL SUCH DEBT BE ISSUED FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS OF THE DISTRICT AS AUTHORIZED BY STATE LAW, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

CONSTRUCTING AND IMPROVING PUBLIC SAFETY AND OTHER PUBLIC FACILITIES;

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CONSTRUCTING, IMPROVING AND WIDENING STREETS AND RELATED FACILITIES;

CONSTRUCTING, IMPROVING, AND EXPANDING WATER MAINS, PIPES, VALVES AND RELATED FACILITIES;

CONSTRUCTING, IMPROVING, AND EXPANDING SEWER MAINS, PIPES, AND RELATED FACILITIES;

CONSTRUCTING, IMPROVING, AND EXPANDING STORM DRAINAGE DETENTION FACILITIES, CHANNELS, CONVEYANCES, PIPES, AND RELATED FACILITIES;

CONSTRUCTING, IMPROVING, REPAIRING, REPLACING, AND EXPANDING, PARKS, RECREATION FACILITIES, OPEN SPACE, TRAILS, AND RELATED FACILITIES;

SHALL SUCH DEBT BE SOLD IN ONE SERIES OR MORE, FOR A PRICE ABOVE OR BELOW THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF SUCH SERIES, ON TERMS AND CONDITIONS AND WITH SUCH MATURITIES AS PERMITTED BY LAW, INCLUDING PROVISIONS FOR REDEMPTION OF THE BONDS PRIOR TO MATURITY WITH OR WITHOUT PAYMENT OF THE PREMIUM OF NOT TO EXCEED ONE PERCENT; AND SHALL SUCH TAX REVENUES AND THE EARNINGS FROM THE INVESTMENT OF SUCH BOND PROCEEDS AND TAX REVENUES BE COLLECTED, RETAINED AND SPENT AS A VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE AND AN EXCEPTION TO THE LIMITS WHICH WOULD OTHERWISE APPLY UNDER ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION OR ANY OTHER LAW?

Total Fiscal Year Spending

Fiscal Year		
2021 (estimated)	\$8,200,000	
2020 (actual)	\$8,100,048	
2019 (actual)	\$8,831,584	
2018 (actual)	\$11,471,087	
2017 (actual)	\$6,568,846	
Overall percentage change from 2017 to 2021		24.832%
Overall dollar change from 2017 to 2021		\$1,631,154

Proposed Tax Increase

GID Estimate of the Maximum Dollar Amount of the Proposed Tax Increase For Fiscal Year 2022 (the First Full Fiscal Year of the Proposed Tax Increases):

CITY OF COMMERCE CITY NORTHERN INFRASTRUCTURE GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT BALLOT ISSUE 6A
\$10,000,000

CITY OF COMMERCE CITY NORTHERN INFRASTRUCTURE GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT BALLOT ISSUE 6B
\$27,600,000

GID Estimate of 2022 Fiscal Year Spending Without Proposed Tax Increases: \$9,020,000

Information on GID's Proposed Debt

CITY OF COMMERCE CITY NORTHERN INFRASTRUCTURE GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT BALLOT ISSUE 6B:
Principal Amount of Proposed Bonds: Not to exceed \$ 295,000,000
Maximum Annual Repayment Cost: Not to exceed \$ 27,600,000
Total Repayment Cost: Not to exceed \$ 709,000,000

Information on GID's Current Debt

Principal Amount Outstanding Debt: \$72,660,000
Maximum Annual Repayment Cost: \$6,565,081
Remaining Total Repayment Cost: \$103,060,433

Summary of Written Comments FOR CITY OF COMMERCE CITY NORTHERN INFRASTRUCTURE AREA GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT BALLOT ISSUE 6A:

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

Summary of Written Comments AGAINST CITY OF COMMERCE CITY NORTHERN INFRASTRUCTURE AREA GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT BALLOT ISSUE 6A:

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

Summary of Written Comments FOR CITY OF COMMERCE CITY NORTHERN INFRASTRUCTURE AREA GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT BALLOT ISSUE 6B:

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

Summary of Written Comments AGAINST CITY OF COMMERCE CITY NORTHERN INFRASTRUCTURE AREA GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT BALLOT ISSUE 6B:

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

**ADAMS COUNTY – TABOR Notice for:
STRASBURG FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 8
ALL REGISTERED VOTERS**

**NOTICE OF ELECTION TO INCREASE TAXES
ON A REFERRED MEASURE**

Election Date and Hours: November 2, 2021, 7 a.m. – 7 p.m.

Designated Election Official:

Stephanie Net
1700 Lincoln Street, Suite 2000
Telephone: (303) 839-3712

BALLOT ISSUE 7A

SHALL STRASBURG FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 8 TAXES BE INCREASED \$248,608 IN 2022, AND BY WHATEVER AMOUNT OF REVENUE IS GENERATED ANNUALLY IN 2022 AND EVERY YEAR THEREAFTER, THROUGH AN INCREASE IN THE DISTRICT'S GENERAL OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE MILL LEVY OF 4.900 MILLS (RESULTING IN A TOTAL OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE MILL LEVY OF 12.6144 MILLS) AND SHALL THE DISTRICT'S TOTAL GENERAL OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES THEREAFTER CONSIST OF A MILL LEVY IMPOSED BY THE DISTRICT AT A RATE NOT TO EXCEED 12.6144 MILLS, AND SHALL THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH TAXES AND ANY INVESTMENT INCOME THEREON BE COLLECTED, RETAINED AND SPENT BY THE DISTRICT EACH YEAR WITHOUT REGARD TO ANY SPENDING, REVENUE-RAISING OR OTHER LIMITATION CONTAINED IN ARTICLE 10, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION, THE LIMITS ON INCREASES IN PROPERTY TAXATION IN SECTION 29-1-301, C.R.S., OR ANY OTHER LAW THAT PURPORTS TO LIMIT THE DISTRICT'S REVENUES OR EXPENDITURES AS SUCH LAWS CURRENTLY EXIST OR AS AMENDED IN THE FUTURE, AND ALL WITHOUT LIMITING IN ANY YEAR THE AMOUNT OF OTHER REVENUES THAT MAY BE COLLECTED, RETAINED AND SPENT BY THE DISTRICT?

FISCAL INFORMATION

Actual Historical and Current Estimated Fiscal Year Spending

Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year Spending
2021 (estimated)	\$892,046
2020 (projected)	\$1,164,300
2019 (actual)	\$773,939
2018 (actual)	\$575,764
2017 (actual)	\$699,506
Overall percentage change in fiscal year spending over the five-year period from 2017 to 2021	28%
Overall dollar change in fiscal year spending over the five-year period from 2017 through 2021:	\$192,540

Summary of Written Comments For Issue 7A:

The community which Strasburg Fire serves has grown exponentially (+216%) since its last mill levy increase in 1996 and has reached a point that call volume (+322%) has outpaced that growth. Strasburg Fire needs the community's help to adapt to these new challenges and provide the quality of services the community deserves.

PROBLEM: Volunteerism has declined and supplemental career staffing is needed to ensure 911 services are available during hours of low volunteer turnout. In 2020, 19% of emergency calls only had 1 career firefighter and no volunteers to respond.

SOLUTION: With a YES vote, Strasburg Fire will increase its career staffing to 2 full time firefighters per 48-hour shift, with 1 part time firefighter to cover 24 hours per shift to ensure 24/7/365 Advanced Life Support/Paramedic services in addition to volunteer staffing.

PROBLEM: The average age of Strasburg Fire's apparatus is 16 years old, with Quint 81 & Engine 82 being 25 years old, far past the recommended service life of 10 years. Strasburg Fire uses only 1 station to provide services to 262 square miles of mostly unpaved roads which adds extra wear and tear on the apparatus.

SOLUTION: A YES vote will establish an apparatus replacement plan in the yearly budget to save for the timely replacement of apparatus before repairs become too costly or time prohibitive to complete. All new vehicles are intended to be used as front line for 10 years before being moved to "reserve" status until 20 years old. After 20 years of service, the apparatus will be replaced.

Summary of Written Comments Against Issue 7A:

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.



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