

LARIMER COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER

# **NOTICE OF ELECTION**

### COORDINATED ELECTION TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2019 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM

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Normal Business Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

### LOCAL BALLOT ISSUES

This Notice of Election was prepared in accordance with Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution and the Colorado Uniform Election Code of 1992, as amended. The information contained in this Notice was prepared by persons required by law to provide summaries of ballot issues and fiscal information.

This Notice is mailed to each address with one or more active, registered electors. You may not be eligible to vote on all ballot issues presented in this Notice.

The Larimer County Clerk and Recorder does not warrant, verify or confirm the accuracy or truth of the ballot titles, issues, text, and summaries of comments as presented, nor is it responsible for errors in spelling, grammar, or punctuation in the materials presented.

For information or clarification concerning any of the following ballot issues, contact the respective Designated Election Official as indicated herein.

Ballot issues for the State will be mailed separately via the State's "Blue Book."

Further, this Notice does not contain ballot issues for those jurisdictions conducting separate elections. A separate Notice will be mailed to the appropriate voters within the jurisdictions conducting an election by mail or polling place. Voters may receive additional materials from other jurisdictions conducting independent elections.

A Coordinated Election will be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2019, between the hours of 7:00 AM and 7:00 PM.

The election will be conducted as a mail ballot election. Ballot materials will be mailed during <u>the week of</u> October 14, 2019, to every active, registered voter.

Voted ballots may be returned by mail (postage is 55 cents) or hand delivered to a Designated Ballot Drop-off Location or a Voter Service and Polling Center.

Ballots must be RECEIVED at the Larimer County Elections Office, a Designated Ballot Drop-off Location or a Voter Service and Polling Center by 7:00 PM on Election Day, Tuesday, November 5, 2019.

Ballots received after 7:00 PM on Election Day will not be counted. **Postmarks do not** count as a received date.

Visit our website at www.votelarimer.org or call (970) 498-7820 to verify your ballot was received by the Larimer County Elections Office.

### 24 HOUR BALLOT BOX LOCATIONS (open October 11 – November 5)

Voters may drop off their voted ballots 24 hours a day at the following ballot drop box locations. Ballots will be accepted in these boxes until 7:00 PM Election Night:

### Berthoud

Berthoud Community Library, 236 Welch Ave.

### Estes Park

Estes Park Vehicle Licensing Office, 1601 Brodie Ave.

### Fort Collins

Larimer County Courthouse, 200 W. Oak St. Colorado State University, Lory Student Center Harmony Library, 4616 S. Shields St.

### Loveland

Loveland Vehicle Licensing Office, 200 Peridot Ave.

### Red Feather Lakes

Red Feather Lakes Community Library, 71 Fire House Ln.

### Timnath

Timnath Public Works Building, 4800 Goodman Rd.

### Wellington

Wellington Public Library, 3800 Wilson Ave.

### GROCERY STORE BALLOT DROP-OFF LOCATIONS

### Fort Collins

King Soopers, 2602 S. Timberline Rd. King Soopers, 1842 N. College Ave. Safeway, 2160 W. Drake Rd. Safeway, 1426 E. Harmony Rd.

### Loveland

King Soopers, 1275 Eagle Dr.

The grocery stores listed above will accept ballots only during the following times:

Friday, November 1 (8:00 AM – 5:00 PM) Saturday, November 2 (9:00 AM – 1:00 PM) Monday, November 4 (8:00 AM – 5:00 PM) Tuesday, *Election Day*, November 5 (7:00 AM – 7:00 PM)

### VOTER SERVICE AND POLLING CENTERS

Estes Park Estes Valley Community Center, 660 Community Dr. Fort Collins Larimer County Courthouse, 200 W. Oak St., 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Carter/Boyd Room Loveland Loveland Police & Courts Building, 810 E. 10<sup>th</sup> St.

Voters may drop off their voted ballot, obtain a replacement ballot, change their address or register to vote at the above Voter Service and Polling Centers <u>only</u> during the following times:

Monday thru Friday, October 28 – November 1 (8:00 AM – 5:00 PM) Saturday, November 2 (9:00 AM – 1:00 PM) Monday, November 4 (8:00 AM – 5:00 PM) Tuesday, *Election Day*, November 5 (7:00 AM – 7:00 PM) This Page Left Intentionally Blank

#### TO ALL REGISTERED VOTERS LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO NOTICE OF ELECTION TO INCREASE TAXES ON A REFERRED MEASURE

<u>Election Date:</u> November 5, 2019 <u>Election Hours:</u> 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM <u>Local Election Office Address:</u> Angela Myers, Larimer County Clerk and Recorder, 200 West Oak Street, PO Box 1547, Fort Collins, Colorado 80522 <u>Telephone Number:</u> (970) 498-7820

### Ballot Title and Text:

### Ballot Issue 1A

SHALL LARIMER COUNTY TAXES BE INCREASED \$39,000,000 DOLLARS ANNUALLY (ESTIMATED FIRST FISCAL YEAR DOLLAR INCREASE IN 2020), AND BY WHATEVER ADDITIONAL AMOUNT AS MAY BE RAISED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER, FOR A PERIOD OF 20 YEARS BY THE IMPOSITION OF A 0.5% (50 CENTS ON 100 DOLLARS) SALES AND USE TAX, WITH ALL REVENUE FROM SUCH TAX TO BE USED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RESOLUTION NO. 08272019R008 TO SERVE COMMUNITY MEMBERS IN FORT COLLINS, LOVELAND, WELLINGTON, WINDSOR, BERTHOUD, ESTES PARK, TIMNATH, JOHNSTOWN AND UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF LARIMER COUNTY AS FOLLOWS:

- \$10,000,000 FOR LOCAL MATCH TO FUND IMPROVEMENTS TO INTERSTATE HIGHWAY I-25 BETWEEN STATE HIGHWAY 402 AND STATE HIGHWAY 66 ALLOCATED FROM THE FIRST \$2,000,000 COLLECTED IN EACH OF THE FIRST FIVE (5) YEARS OF TAX COLLECTION;

AND WITH THE REMAINING PROCEEDS DISTRIBUTED AS FOLLOWS: - BETWEEN 45% TO 50% TO DESIGN AND CONSTRUCT TRANSPORTATION CAPACITY EXPANSION PROJECTS ON MAJOR STREETS, HIGHWAYS, AND ROADWAYS, WHICH MAY INCLUDE, WITHOUT LIMITATION, INTERSECTIONS, BICYCLE LANES, GRADE SEPARATED CROSSINGS, SIDEWALKS, SIGNALIZATION AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS RELATED TO REGIONAL MOBILITY;

- BETWEEN 15% AND 20% TO PLAN, DESIGN, CONSTRUCT, EQUIP, AND OPERATE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION DIRECTLY OR BY AGREEMENT; AND

- 35% TO PURCHASE, CONSTRUCT, EQUIP, OPERATE, MAINTAIN, IMPROVE, REMODEL, REPLACE, AND LEASE EXISTING AND FUTURE LARIMER COUNTY FACILITIES INCLUDING A CONSOLIDATED CENTER FOR HUMAN AND ECONOMIC HEALTH SERVICES AND VETERANS SERVICES, EXPANDED ALTERNATIVE SENTENCING AND COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS FACILITIES, EXPANDED NUMBER OF COURTROOMS AND ASSOCIATED SUPPORT SPACE FOR THE STATE 8TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT AND LARIMER COUNTY COURT, AND FOR PUBLIC FACILITIES AS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN THE LARIMER COUNTY 2018 FACILITIES MASTER PLAN AS ADOPTED AND AS MAY BE AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME AFTER PUBLIC HEARING;

AND SHALL THE COUNTY BE AUTHORIZED TO COLLECT, RETAIN AND SPEND ALL PROCEEDS OF SUCH TAX WITHOUT LIMITATION BY ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION, AND FURTHER PROVIDED THAT AN ANNUAL REPORT SHALL BE PUBLISHED AND PROVIDED TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ON THE DESIGNATION OR USE OF THE REVENUES FROM THE TAX INCREASE IN THE PRECEDING CALENDAR YEAR CONSISTENT WITH ITS APPROVED PURPOSES?

### Actual historical and current estimated fiscal year spending information:

Year	Fiscal Year Spend	ing
2019 (Estimated) 2018 2017 2016 2015	\$229,804,084 \$225,364,838 \$222,907,709 \$211,799,286 \$176,637,213	
Overall percentage change from 2015 through 2019 (estimated):		30.1%
Overall dollar change from 2015 through 2019 (estimated):		\$ 53,166,871
Estimated 2020 fiscal year spending without proposed tax increase:		\$252,784,492
Estimated 2020 maximum tax increase authorized	by the Ballot Issue:	\$ 39,000,000

### Summaries of written comments filed with the election officer:

# The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons FOR Ballot Issue 1A:

### VOTE YES ON 1A

Vote yes and implement the Half Penny Tax. While the sales tax amount sounds small — just a half a cent! — our local leaders have collaborated to create a strategy promising massive, multipronged impact in the greater Larimer County community.

The Half Penny proposal divvies funds between regional transportation; services for children, families, seniors, and veterans; and public safety – all countywide issues that warrant our support now.

Transportation is a leading issue in the region. Every day, throngs of commuters travel outside their city limits on roads that are failing, crowded and unsafe. Public transit limits where residents can travel with any sort of reasonable schedule. Bicyclists take pressure off the roads, but only as far as the bike lane reaches. We enjoy a high quality of life, but our growing traffic congestion is threatening our future!

The regionally focused proposal includes expanding capacity on highways, streets and roads, especially those that join our communities; better bike lanes, trails, and sidewalks; and more public transportation services to reduce congestion. Allocated funds would also be used for identified improvements along I-25 from State Highways 402 to 66.

Closely tied to transportation is a need for an improved campus to support and connect human economic and health services (HEH), including child/adult protective services; TANF, food stamps, and WIC; caregiver support; workforce center; and programs for Veterans. With HEH spread across multiple locations, we simply cannot connect people with the important programs offered.

Customers needing critical human services should be able to get multiple needs met in a "one-stop shop" environment. Consider our Veterans. The current Veterans Services office is inadequate. The Half Penny proposal allocates funding for a community meeting space, increased privacy and security, and better customer service for those who have served.

Outgrowing structures dedicated to preserving public safety is a third concern. It's simple math. We simply do not have enough space to accommodate more clients in our very successful alternative sentencing and community corrections programs. The Half Penny tax proposes funding the expansion of these programs, as well as the Justice Center building and Old Town Parking.

More alternatives to jail are also critical. Without quality rehabilitation and workforce programs, convicted felons have no real resources upon release. It's no wonder we have so many repeat offenders! But our current alternative sentencing and community corrections programs are working, giving resources like drug treatment, job assistance, mental health counseling, and financial management, to felons so that upon release, they are far more likely to succeed. And while community corrections is not perfect, it's a system designed to keep the community safe. The Half Penny proposal's two-pronged approach to public safety development includes monies for increased access to jail alternatives, expanded opportunities for treatment courts, and more timely processing of family law, child protection, and civil cases.

Larimer County is leading by example in partnering with its people to create an awesome community. Voting yes on 1A ensures our successes together continue.

### The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons AGAINST Ballot Issue 1A:

Opposition to County Sales Tax Issue for the November 2019 Election

The Board of County Commissioners is requesting that voters approve a sales tax of .5% because Larimer County cannot live within its means.

This sales tax would increase the amount of sales tax levied by Larimer County from .8% to 1.3%.

One reason given for the sales tax was a predicted 44% increase in Larimer County's population by 2045. Really? We're going to impose a sales tax now because of a prediction 26 years into the future? The population of Larimer County has increased almost 40% in the last 20 years, and it hasn't created the need for such a huge increase in revenue. Any increased population will generate much more tax revenue for the county because the tax base will also increase.

But, the most troubling aspect of this ballot issue is the fuzziness. Only \$10 million of the expected \$800 million windfall is designated for a specific project. The other \$790 million is left to the whims of the county commissioners – whoever they might be.

The last paragraph of the ballot issue is disturbing to anyone who would like to see some sort of fiscal restraint. The county won't be restricted in how the sales tax revenue is spent. The only requirement is an annual report. In other words, you will be informed about what the money was spent on only after it is spent.

Why can't the county live within their means? The property tax revenue will increase by around 20% next year. With the amount of building in the county, there will be an ever-larger stream of revenue without this sales tax.

Read this ballot issue very carefully before you vote.

Please, don't give the county a blank check.

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### Ballot Title and Text:

#### Ballot Issue 2A

### COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

SHALL CITY OF LOVELAND TAXES BE INCREASED NOT MORE THAN SIX MILLION THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS IN THE FIRST FISCAL YEAR OF COLLECTIONS AND BY WHATEVER AMOUNTS ARE RAISED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER BY AN ADDITIONAL TEMPORARY SALES AND USE TAX OF THREE-TENTHS OF ONE PERCENT TO BE IMPOSED BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2020, TO IMPROVE INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC SAFETY BY FUNDING CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION, AND MAINTAINANCE OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS INCLUDING:

- WIDENING OF AND IMPROVEMENTS TO EISENHOWER BOULEVARD/US 34 TO RELIEVE TRAFFIC CONGESTION AND IMPROVE DRIVER AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY,
- WIDENING OF AND IMPROVEMENTS TO TAFT AVENUE TO RELIEVE TRAFFIC CONGESTION AND IMPROVE DRIVER AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY,
- A REPLACEMENT OF FIRE STATION 3 AND RENOVATION OF FIRE STATION 5 ON KNOBCONE DRIVE TO IMPROVE EMERGENCY RESPONSE TIMES AND PROTECT FIRST RESPONDERS,
- PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE UNDERPASSES AND IMPROVEMENTS ALONG THE CITY'S RECREATION TRAIL SYSTEM,
- A NEW FULL SERVICE BRANCH LIBRARY IN NORTHWEST LOVELAND,
- RENOVATION AND EXPANSION OF THE LOVELAND MUSEUM,

WITH ALL SPENDING REPORTED IN THE CITY'S ANNUAL INDEPENDENT AUDIT PUBLISHED ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE; AND PROVIDED THESE INCREASED TAXES SHALL NOT BE COLLECTED AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2040, AND THAT ALL THE TAX REVENUES AND INVESTMENT EARNINGS THEREON MAY BE COLLECTED, RETAINED AND SPENT AS A VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE PURSUANT TO ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION?

### Actual historical and current estimated fiscal year spending information:

Year	Fiscal Year Spending
2019 (estimated) 2018 (actual) 2017 (actual) 2016 (actual) 2015 (actual)	\$ 98,542,000 \$ 93,404,464 \$ 88,536,035 \$ 86,260,544 \$ 81,011,872
Overall percentage change from 2015 to 2019	21.6%
Overall dollar change from 2015 to 2019	\$ 17,530,128

### Proposed Tax Increase

City Estimate of the Maximum Dollar Amount of the Proposed Tax Increase For Fiscal Year 2020 (the First Full Fiscal Year of the Proposed Tax Increases): \$ 6,300,000

City Estimate of 2020 Fiscal Year Spending Without Proposed Tax Increases: \$102,976,000

### Summaries of written comments filed with the election officer:

# The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons FOR Ballot Issue 2A:

Your YES vote on Issue 2A will improve both our quality of life and our safety. Passage of Issue 2A will provide numerous benefits to the residents of Loveland:

- Improving driver, bike and pedestrian safety
- Reducing traffic congestion
- Lowering emergency response times
- Protecting first responders
- Relieving overcrowding at our local public library
- Protecting property values

Proceeds of Issue 2A - a three-tenths of one cent  $(0.3\phi)$  sales and use tax-will fund vital community improvement projects, including:

- Widening of and improvements to Eisenhower/US 34
- Widening of and improvements to Taft Avenue
- Replacement of Fire Station 3 and renovation of Fire Station 5
- Pedestrian and bicycle underpasses and improvements along Loveland's recreation trail system
- Renovation and expansion of the Loveland Museum
- A new full-service branch library in Northwest Loveland

A sales tax of three cents for every \$10 purchase, versus a property tax increase, is the best way to fund community improvement projects.

With one of the lowest sales taxes in the region-and out-of-town visitors paying about half of the sales tax-Issue 2A is a fair and reasonable request.

Loveland voters supported a similar sales tax about 35 years ago to fund our existing recreation center, public library, Civic Center Park and other important projects. These public investments were successfully completed and remain an important part of our community.

It's time to fix our roads. It's time to protect our first responders. It's time to improve emergency response times. It's time to deal with our overcrowded library. The longer we wait, the more it will cost. It's time.

Issue 2A is a small investment with big benefits for our entire community.

Your YES vote on Issue 2A will make Loveland an even better place to live, work and play. And it can be done for three-tenths of one cent.

### The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons AGAINST Ballot Issue 2A:

Most everything Loveland voters have been told by City Hall about this tax increase is wrong or misleading.

The proposed "community improvement" projects listed in 2A were picked by City Hall, not by citizens. And the City's numbers for them don't add up; the expected additional revenue from the proposed tax increase is *more than twice* the inflated estimates for the cost of the projects – projects that should be built with capital expansion funds <u>already</u> collected from new developments.

Voters are also misled about the need for some of the projects. The City cannot make needed road improvements an option for voters. And the library is said to be "crowded," though its own statistics show use of its physical assets in the last decade has declined 10% while the population has grown 12%. Reflecting a national trend, use of the library's digital resources, accessible from home, has soared. A "full-service" brick-and-mortar branch is unjustified.

Voters are led to believe that they are only deciding about whether the listed projects are worth a 'temporary' and 'small' increase in taxes. They are instead asked to approve a 10% increase in sales tax (3¢ per \$10), but without the legally binding language that makes this tax increase temporary or committing the increased revenue to the "promised" projects.

The actual ballot language gives City Hall a blank check to use the entire sales tax in any way it wishes on "infrastructure and public safety," a broad mandate that encompasses most city government activity. City Hall would in no way be committed to any of the listed projects.

There is a dark secret behind 2A (and 2B). What City Hall is <u>not</u> telling citizens is that deals have been struck with certain favored developments, allowing them to pocket 40% to 67% of all future sales tax collected in them. This skimming of sales tax goes unreported, and the misdirection of taxes is large enough to threaten City Hall's ability to deliver basic services.

Over the next 21 years, total expected taxable sales in Loveland will be over \$58 billion, and at the present rate of 3%, City sales tax revenues should be about \$1.75 billion. With the proposed tax increases in 2A (and 2B), taxpayers would pay to over \$2 billion, while the City's net tax receipts actually <u>decline</u> to \$1.63 billion due to all the skimming. The proposed tax increases don't even make up for what is going to be skimmed.

Taxpayers are paying enough sales tax now for community improvements; the problem is that not all they pay goes into the City treasury. And while developments get to skim sales tax, citizens are asked to pay 16% higher city sales tax (2A & 2B), including on *groceries*.

Voters can stop this hemorrhage of taxpayer money by rejecting the proposed sales tax hikes, forcing City Hall to stop skimming. That outcome also has the benefit of restoring enough money for both basic services and civic improvements.

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### Ballot Title and Text:

### Ballot Issue 2B

COMMUNITY RECREATION PROJECTS

SHALL CITY OF LOVELAND TAXES BE INCREASED NOT MORE THAN FOUR MILLION TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS IN THE FIRST FISCAL YEAR OF COLLECTIONS AND BY WHATEVER AMOUNTS ARE RAISED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER BY AN ADDITIONAL TEMPORARY SALES AND USE TAX OF TWO-TENTHS OF ONE PER CENT TO BE IMPOSED BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2020, TO IMPROVE INFRASTRUCTURE AND QUALITY OF LIFE BY FUNDING CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION, AND MAINTAINANCE OF A NEW COMMUNITY RECREATION AND SENIOR CENTER IN NORTHWEST LOVELAND AND OTHER RECREATIONAL FACILITIES, WITH ALL SPENDING REPORTED IN THE CITY'S ANNUAL INDEPENDENT AUDIT PUBLISHED ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE; AND PROVIDED THESE INCREASED TAXES SHALL NOT BE COLLECTED AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2040, AND THAT ALL THE TAX REVENUES AND INVESTMENT EARNINGS THEREON MAY BE COLLECTED, RETAINED AND SPENT AS A VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE PURSUANT TO ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION?

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Overall percentage cha	ange from 2015 to 2019	21.6%
Overall dollar change f	from 2015 to 2019	\$ 17,530,128
Proposed Tax Increase		

City Estimate of the Maximum Dollar Amount of the Proposed Tax Increase For Fiscal Year 2020 (the First Full Fiscal Year of the Proposed Tax Increases): \$ 4,200,000

City Estimate of 2020 Fiscal Year Spending Without Proposed Tax Increases: \$102,976,000

### Summaries of written comments filed with the election officer:

### The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons FOR Ballot Issue 2B:

What can two-tenths of one penny deliver? A lot!

Loveland's recreation center has never been busier. The Hatfield Chilson Recreation Center is operating, on average, 30 to 50 percent over design capacity most days of the year. Each year, the recreation center has more than 700,000 visitors.

Your YES vote on Issue 2B will fund construction and operation of a second community recreation and senior center. The new facility, located in Northwest Loveland, will provide much-needed recreation, exercise and indoor sport court space, indoor and outdoor leisure pool aquatics, programming space for senior citizens and Youth.

The new facility will dramatically relieve overcrowding at the existing recreation center, allowing for more drop-in opportunities and fewer overbooked classes and programs. It will also extend the useful life of this valued public asset.

Issue 2B is a sales and use tax of two-tenths of one cent  $(0.2\phi)$ , which equates to two cents for every \$10 purchase.

With one of the lowest sales taxes in the region-and out-of-town visitors paying about half of the sales tax-Issue 2B is an ideal way to fund both the construction and operation of the new community recreation and senior center. It's a much better option than raising property taxes.

Amenities planned for the 80,000-square-foot facility include:

- Senior Center
- Warm Water Leisure Pool (Indoor and Outdoor)
- Lap Pool
- Outdoor Pickleball Complex
- Children's Indoor Playground
- Catering Kitchen
- Child Watch/Babysitting Space
- Community Event, Meeting and Classroom Space
- Party/Wet Classroom
- Walk/Jog Track
- Weight/Fitness Area
- Multiuse Indoor Gymnasium
- Aerobics/Dance Studio
- Yoga Studio
- Restrooms & Locker Rooms

The new community recreation and senior center will serve as a hub of activity for youth, families, seniors, civic organizations and others. It will be a safe and inclusive space for all residents, offering indoor walking and jogging, lap/open swim, aqua fitness programs, tot/preschool and youth/teen programs, fitness classes, court sports, arts and crafts classes, senior programming, cultural activities, drop-in childcare, dance classes, youth and adult athletic leagues, space for community meetings and events, and much more.

Loveland's new community recreation and senior center will help to deliver physical wellbeing, mental health and nutritional education for residents of all ages, further enhancing our quality of life.

Issue 2B is about much more than a new community recreation and senior center, it's about keeping our community healthy, connected and engaged. Issue 2B deserves our support.

### The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons AGAINST Ballot Issue 2B:

Ballot issue 2B proposes building a new recreation center in northwest Loveland.

2B poses the crucial question of whether it is the role of government to compete with private business, using the taxes paid by those businesses as a weapon against their very livelihoods.

The owners of private gym facilities have spoken at City Council meetings about how another subsidized city recreation center, in addition to Chilson, would unfairly compete with their businesses, or at least, their ability to offer citizens affordable options.

As the potential negative impact 2B posed to numerous private businesses in the community, city council voted to make 2A and 2B separate ballot issues.

#### Additional problems with 2B include:

We are told citizens determined that another rec center is needed. Evidence indicates that City Hall determined this, not citizens. The list of projects seen in ballot issues 2A and 2B is the exact list City Hall provided to the Community Improvement Project Task Force at its outset (see Task Force meeting minutes).

The City has also not reliably shown that a recreation facility is needed to meet current or future needs of the community, as the city enjoys the gym and spa services of 24 privately owned facilities, at a range of prices, some more affordable than Chilson.

The City's construction estimate of \$63 million for a new rec center appears unrealistically high. The City of Eaton recently built a recreation facility at a cost \$22 million in 2018. This year, Aurora claims to have built a "posh" rec center for \$30 million. Why must Loveland require such an expensive facility? An additional \$1 million yearly for 10 years is requested to supplement operation & maintenance losses.

At a proposed size of 80,000 SF (10,000 SF less than Chilson), the new Loveland rec center would cost \$757/S.F. Compare that to Eaton's rec center which cost \$180/S.F. Most new rec centers today require between \$200-\$300/SF to build.

If citizens want this rec center, why is City Hall aggressively pushing it on voters? City Council spent over \$90,000 for polls and consultants who promoted a new rec center (with the projects listed in 2A) and the proposed sales tax increase to fund its construction. The consultants were even directed to create a list of "Key Influencers" in the community. Doing this before 2B was officially placed the ballot, Council skated up to the edge of violating Colorado's Fair Campaign Practices Act which allows a city council to spend no more than \$50 on voicing an opinion on a ballot issue. The ballot language doesn't commit the City to actually build this center with the proceeds from the tax increase. It also doesn't discontinue the "temporary" tax once the project is paid for.

The same problem with skimming the tax revenue by retail developers, mentioned in 2A, applies to this measure as well. Loveland's treasury won't see a lot of the money generated by the tax increase as it is written now.

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### Ballot Title and Text:

### Ballot Issue 2C

SHALL CITY OF LOVELAND TAXES BE INCREASED BY \$1.5 MILLION ANNUALLY IN THE FIRST FULL FISCAL YEAR AND BY SUCH AMOUNTS AS ARE RAISED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER BY IMPOSING AN EXCISE TAX OF UP TO 15% WHEN UNPROCESSED RETAIL MARIJUANA IS FIRST SOLD OR TRANSFERRED BY A RETAIL MARIJUANA CULTIVATION FACILITY AND BY IMPOSING AN ADDITIONAL SALES TAX OF UP TO 15% ON THE SALE OF RETAIL MARIJUANA AND RETAIL MARIJUANA PRODUCTS, WITH THE RATE OF EITHER OR BOTH TAXES BEING ALLOWED TO BE DECREASED OR INCREASED WITHOUT FURTHER VOTER APPROVAL SO LONG AS THE RATE OF EITHER ADDITIONAL TAX DOES NOT EXCEED 15%, AND WITH THE RESULTING TAX REVENUE BEING ALLOWED TO BE COLLECTED AND SPENT NOTWITHSTANDING ANY LIMITATIONS PROVIDED BY LAW?

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### **Proposed Tax Increase**

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City Estimate of 2020 Fiscal Year Spending Without Proposed Tax Increases: \$102,976,000

### Summaries of written comments filed with the election officer:

The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons FOR Ballot Issue 2C:

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

### The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons AGAINST Ballot Issue 2C:

#### TO ALL REGISTERED VOTERS POUDRE SCHOOL DISTRICT R-1 LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO NOTICE OF ELECTION TO INCREASE TAXES ON A REFERRED MEASURE

<u>Election Date:</u> November 5, 2019 <u>Election Hours:</u> 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM <u>Local Election Office Address:</u> Tessa Oppenheimer, Poudre School District R-1, 2407 LaPorte Avenue, Fort Collins, Colorado 80521 <u>Telephone Number:</u> (970) 490-3607

### Ballot Title and Text:

### Ballot Issue 4A

SHALL POUDRE SCHOOL DISTRICT R-1 TAXES BE INCREASED BY \$18 MILLION ANNUALLY IN THE 2019-2020 BUDGET YEAR, AND IN EACH BUDGET YEAR THEREAFTER, AS ADJUSTED ANNUALLY FOR THE PERCENTAGE CHANGE IN THE DENVER-AURORA-LAKEWOOD CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, FOR THE PAYMENT OF DISTRICT OPERATION COSTS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

- INCREASING FIRST-YEAR TEACHER SALARIES TO A COMPETITIVE LEVEL BEGINNING IN THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR;
- RESTRUCTURING TO A COMPETITIVE TEACHER SALARY SCHEDULE TO RECRUIT AND RETAIN HIGH-QUALITY TEACHERS AND MAINTAINING COMPETITIVE WAGES FOR SUPPORT STAFF;
- SUPPORTING OUR STUDENTS' MENTAL HEALTH BY INCREASING MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS, SUCH AS COUNSELORS; AND
- ENHANCING SCHOOL SAFETY AND SECURITY;

PROVIDED THAT NO REVENUE FROM THIS TAX WILL BE USED FOR ADMINISTRATION SALARIES OR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND PROVIDED THAT EXPENDITURES WILL BE SUBJECT TO AN ANNUAL AUDIT AND CITIZEN OVERSIGHT; AND SHALL SUCH TAX INCREASE BE AN ADDITIONAL PROPERTY TAX MILL LEVY SUFFICIENT TO PRODUCE THE AMOUNT SPECIFIED ABOVE, WHICH SHALL BE IN ADDITION TO THE PROPERTY TAXES OTHERWISE AUTHORIZED TO BE LEVIED FOR THE GENERAL FUND; 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 AND SPENDING CHANGE UNDER ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION?

### Actual historical and current estimated fiscal year spending information:

Year

2015-2016 (actual) 2016-2017 (actual) 2017-2018 (actual) 2018-2019 (unaudited) 2019-2020 (current year estimated including proposed tax increase) Fiscal Year Spending \$305,497,087 \$291,492,008 \$314,123,906 \$756,235,523 <sup>1</sup>

\$416.684.802

Overall percentage change in fiscal year spending over the five year period from 2015-16 through 2019-20: 36.4%

Overall dollar change in fiscal year spending over the five year period from 2015-16 through 2019-20 (including proposed tax increase): \$111,187,715

<sup>1</sup> fiscal year spending in 2018-2019 (unaudited) includes proceeds of sale of bonds with a par value of \$375 million for the construction and renovation of school and district facilities as authorized by voters in the 2016 election.

Estimated fiscal year spending for the 2019-20 fiscal year without the tax increase authorized by Ballot Issue 4A: \$398,684,802

Estimated tax increase authorized by Ballot Issue 4A for the first fiscal year (2019-20):

\$ 18,000,000

### Summaries of written comments filed with the election officer:

### The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons FOR Ballot Issue 4A:

Great schools with great teachers are essential for building our great community. Everyone can name one or more teachers and student support staff such as school bus drivers, paraprofessionals or counselors who impacted the course of their lives. Our Poudre School District, PSD, has great teachers and other staff who need competitive salaries to work and live in the communities they serve. For the first time, starting teacher salary in PSD is lower than in our neighboring school districts. We need to attract and retain the best and brightest teachers and other educators. Improving student mental health is a priority for our PSD community. Mental health needs continue to increase, and we must provide additional staff such as counselors and school psychologists to meet these critical mental health needs. Addressing these issues helps success of the student, their families, the school environment, and our community.

Ensuring our schools are safe places for our students to grow, learn and thrive is our community's responsibility. This funding would allow PSD to enhance school safety and security by hiring and training more security personnel.

Education funding in Colorado is among the lowest in the nation, and PSD's share of state funding is among the lowest compared to other school districts in our state. PSD has demonstrated its good stewardship of taxpayer dollars, and it will use these property tax dollars to make our great Poudre School District community even better. Vote Yes on 4A. Thank you for your consideration and support.

### The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons AGAINST Ballot Issue 4A:

Regrettably, the Poudre School District has created a crisis in staff compensation in which its employees were compelled to lobby the Board of Education for relief in the form of the referral of 4A to the ballot. This crisis can easily be seen to be the result of misplaced priorities and many missteps over the past several years. There can be no doubt that every voter that considers 4A is faced with an unfortunate choice between increased funding for an irresponsibly managed public agency and the worthwhile objective of ensuring that the hardworking teachers and other staff in the district are equitably compensated.

Every voter is also faced with the certain reality that a 'yes' vote on 4A could mean the prospects for a reasonable statewide tax increase to better fund education throughout Colorado will be diminished, i.e. 'fixing' the funding problem locally discourages local voters from 'fixing' the problem on a statewide basis.

In 2016, the year-over-year student enrollment growth in the district flatlined to near 0%. Ironically, the same astronomical increase in the cost of living that makes it hard for teachers and staff to live here also discouraged families with children from moving into the area. Despite the writing on the wall, the district went ahead with the largest tax increase in its history for the purposes of building two new high school/middle schools and one elementary school. To make matters worse, the district proceeded to borrow the entire lump sum of \$375 million in one bond sale and sold the bonds at a ridiculously high interest rate of 5%. These missteps had the effect of forcing the district to levy large taxes for years into the future in order to build more facilities than any reasonable estimate of future student enrollment growth would require. As a consequence, there is no way for the district to reduce the tax levies necessary to pay for the non-existent student enrollment growth mow to make room for additional levies to take care of what really matters; the professionals tasked with educating our children.

People ... not buildings ... educate students. Fortunately, we live in a prosperous area and need not skimp on either. Unfortunately, the misplaced priorities of the past have created an imbalance in spending that has cheated the district's most important assets, its teachers and staff.

The situation is made much worse by the fact that over 5% of the tax revenues that come off of 4A as well as 5% of all other PSD property tax revenues are being diverted to unlawful scams by abuses of tax increment financing by the City of Fort Collins and Town of Timnath. No official of PSD nor any representative of the teachers and staff has lifted a finger to address this problem. No voter should be asked to cast a 'yes' vote to raise taxes when over 5% of the revenue generated will be used for purposes other than those stated in the ballot question.

#### TO ALL REGISTERED VOTERS WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-5J LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO NOTICE OF ELECTION TO INCREASE TAXES ON A REFERRED MEASURE

<u>Election Date:</u> November 5, 2019 <u>Election Hours:</u> 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM <u>Local Election Office Address:</u> Jeanne Martin, Weld County School District RE-5J, 110 South Centennial Drive, Suite A, Milliken, Colorado 80543 <u>Telephone Number:</u> (970) 587-6060

### Ballot Title and Text:

### Ballot Issue 5A

SHALL WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-5J TAXES BE INCREASED \$4 MILLION ANNUALLY, WHICH MONEYS SHALL BE USED IN ALL DISTRICT SCHOOLS, INCLUDING KNOWLEDGE QUEST ACADEMY, TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO:

- EXPAND THE CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS AT MILLIKEN MIDDLE SCHOOL AND ROOSEVELT HIGH SCHOOL;

- ATTRACT AND RETAIN QUALITY TEACHERS AND STAFF; AND

- PROVIDE ADDITIONAL SAFETY, SECURITY, AND MENTAL HEALTH PERSONNEL ACROSS THE DISTRICT,

THROUGH A PROPERTY TAX OVERRIDE MILL LEVY TO BE IMPOSED AT A RATE SUFFICIENT TO PRODUCE THE AMOUNT SET FORTH ABOVE, TO BE DEPOSITED INTO THE GENERAL FUND OF THE DISTRICT, SHALL BE IN ADDITION TO THE PROPERTY TAXES THAT OTHERWISE WOULD BE LEVIED FOR THE GENERAL FUND AND SHALL CONSTITUTE A VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE?

### Actual historical and current estimated fiscal year spending information:

Year	Fiscal Year Spending <sup>1</sup>
2015-2016 (actual)	\$38,004,743
2016-2017 (actual)	\$32,967,341
2017-2018 (actual)	\$34,402,525
2018-2019 (actual)	\$38,563,411
2019-2020 (current year estimated)	\$44,642,148

<sup>1</sup> Fiscal year spending does include amounts expended by the District for bonded debt service.

Overall percentage change in fiscal year spending over the five-year period from 2015-2016 through 2019-2020:	17.46%
Overall dollar change in fiscal year spending over the five-year period from 2015-2016 through 2019-2020:	\$ 6,637,405
Estimated 2019-2020 fiscal year spending without taking into account the tax increase authorized by Ballot Issue 5A:	\$44,642,148
Estimated 2019-2020 tax increase authorized by Ballot Issue 5A:	\$ 4,000,000

### Summaries of written comments filed with the election officer:

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

Weld RE-5J is a tight knit community that takes pride in supporting the Rough Rider tradition of rising to a challenge. The challenges facing our community today create the opportunities for success in the future with your support. A YES vote on 5A, a mill levy override (MLO) for \$4,000,000 annually for the Weld RE-5J district, in conjunction with the school bond measure on the ballot as 5B, addresses very pressing needs in our schools and continues our tradition of excellence.

A school district MLO provides additional operating money exclusively for our community – these funds WILL STAY in Weld RE-5J schools. With the support of 5A, we will be able to improve school safety, expand Career and Technical Education programs, fund the operations of our growing district, and better compete/retain the best teaching professionals in Northern Colorado. More specifically, a YES vote on 5A will fund the following community initiatives supporting the strategic plan of Weld RE-5J:

- Improve safety district-wide including secure entrances and safety equipment
- Provide matching funds to secure a BEST Grant received to replace Letford Elementary with a new preschool through 5th Grade facility in Johnstown that will accommodate student growth and provide comparable learning environments to those of neighboring school districts
- Construct a new middle school on land donated in Milliken to address overcrowding and allow for expansion of science, technology, engineering, math (STEM) and career pathways programs
- Provide additions and renovations to classrooms and other learning spaces at Roosevelt High School to address rapid enrollment growth and allow expansion of Career Pathways Programs to better prepare students for the future
- Secure land for a future high school and construct a district stadium that will support our facilities master plan to address growth
- Perform renovations and additions at Milliken MS to replace portions of the building that are
  obsolete and convert the renovated building into a new elementary school
- At Pioneer Ridge and Milliken Elementary Schools, perform renovations to replace roofs, heating, plumbing, and other critical repair backlogs extending the useful life of existing facilities and improving energy efficiency
- Construct a Transportation/Maintenance Facility on land donated in Milliken

Issue 5A is \$3.66 per month per \$100,000 of a home's value that funds \$4.0 million additional operating funds for the school district.

A YES vote on 5A will provide continuing support to our dedicated staff, promote safer areas for learning, expand/improve educational programs, and provide operational funds for new facilities being constructed as part of the Bond issue. The Mill Levy Override and Bond issue on the ballot go hand in hand to improve our buildings and the education that takes place inside the brick and mortar. The issues facing the Weld RE-5J community are very real and urgent, only getting worse and more costly in the future without action. Your YES vote on 5A and 5B is the right thing to do and answers the challenge demanded of our community as "Rough Riders."

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

#### TO ALL REGISTERED VOTERS WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-5J LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO NOTICE OF ELECTION TO INCREASE DEBT ON A REFERRED MEASURE

<u>Election Date:</u> November 5, 2019 <u>Election Hours:</u> 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM <u>Local Election Office Address:</u> Jeanne Martin, Weld County School District RE-5J, 110 South Centennial Drive, Suite A, Milliken, Colorado 80543 <u>Telephone Number:</u> (970) 587-6060

### Ballot Title and Text:

### Ballot Issue 5B

SHALL WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-5J DEBT BE INCREASED \$139.9 MILLION, WITH A REPAYMENT COST OF UP TO \$253.4 MILLION, AND SHALL DISTRICT TAXES BE INCREASED BY UP TO \$10.2 MILLION ANNUALLY FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES:

- PROVIDING \$25.1 MILLION OF MATCHING MONEY REQUIRED TO RECEIVE \$8.3 MILLION IN AN AWARDED STATE "BEST" GRANT (WHICH IS NOT REQUIRED TO BE REPAID) TO CONSTRUCT A NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ON LAND GIVEN TO THE DISTRICT BY THE TOWN OF JOHNSTOWN TO REPLACE THE EXISTING LETFORD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL;

- CONSTRUCTING A NEW MIDDLE SCHOOL AND TRANSPORTATION CENTER IN MILLIKEN;

- ACQUIRING LANDS FOR A FUTURE HIGH SCHOOL AND CONSTRUCTING AT THIS TIME A DISTRICT STADIUM AND ATHLETICS COMPLEX;

- ADDRESSING SAFETY AND SECURITY THROUGH ENTRYWAY AND FIRE SYSTEM UPGRADES AND MAKING IMPROVEMENTS TO MILLIKEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, PIONEER RIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, MILLIKEN MIDDLE SCHOOL, AND ROOSEVELT HIGH SCHOOL TO EXTEND THEIR USEFUL LIFE, IMPROVE ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND ENHANCE INSTRUCTIONAL AND CAREER PATHWAYS PROGRAMMING; AND

- PROVIDING \$1.0 MILLION FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE KNOWLEDGE QUEST ACADEMY FACILITY,

AND TO THE EXTENT FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE ACQUIRING, CONSTRUCTING, RENOVATING AND REPAIRING DISTRICT CAPITAL ASSETS AND EXERCISING LEASE PURCHASE OPTIONS, 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 TAXABLE PROPERTY TO PERMIT THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS?

### Actual historical and current estimated fiscal year spending information:

Year	Fiscal Year Spending <sup>1</sup>
2015-2016 (actual)	\$38,004,743
2016-2017 (actual)	\$32,967,341
2017-2018 (actual)	\$34,402,525
2018-2019 (actual)	\$38,563,411
2019-2020 (current year estimated)	\$44,642,148

<sup>1</sup> Fiscal year spending does include amounts expended by the District for bonded debt service.

Overall percentage change in fiscal year spending over the five-year period from 2015-2016 through 2019-2020:		17.46%
Overall dollar change in fiscal year spending over the five-year period from 2015-2016 through 2019-2020:		\$ 6,637,405
Estimated 2019-2020 fiscal year spending without taking into account the tax increase authorized by Ballot Issue 5B:		\$ 44,642,148
Estimated 2019-2020 tax increase authorized by Ballot Issue 5B:		\$139,900,000
Information regarding bonded debt proposed by Ballot Issue 5B:		
Principal amount: Maximum annual repayment cost: Maximum total repayment cost:	\$139,900,000 \$ 10,200,000 \$253,400,000	
Information regarding current bonded debt:		
Principal balance: Maximum annual repayment cost: Maximum remaining total repayment cost:	\$ 6,930,000 \$ 1,297,050 \$ 8,175,750	

### Summaries of written comments filed with the election officer:

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

Your YES vote on Issue 5B will address Weld RE-5J School District's highest priority needs benefitting every school building in our community. With over \$8.9 million in matching grants secured, overcrowded classrooms, interest rates at historic lows, high oil and gas valuation, and construction costs continuing to rise, NOW is the time to make improvements to these facilities. We lose the \$8.9 million in grants if the matching funds are not provided.

The last bond issue we approved was 16 years ago, and since that time, student enrollment has more than doubled. A YES vote on 5B will allow the district to fund the following critical improvements:

- Improve safety and security district-wide including secure entrances and safety equipment
- Provide matching funds to secure a BEST Grant received to replace Letford Elementary with a new preschool through 5th Grade facility in Johnstown that will accommodate student growth and provide comparable learning environments to those of neighboring school districts
- Construct a new middle school on land donated in Milliken to address overcrowding and allow for expansion of science, technology, engineering, math (STEM) and career pathways programs
- Provide additions and renovations to classrooms and other learning spaces at Roosevelt High School to address rapid enrollment growth and allow expansion of Career Pathways Programs to better prepare students for the future
- Secure land for a future high school and construct a district stadium that will support our facilities master plan to address growth
- Perform renovations and additions at Milliken MS to replace portions of the building that are obsolete and convert the renovated building into a new elementary school

- At Pioneer Ridge and Milliken Elementary Schools, perform renovations to replace roofs, heating, plumbing, and other critical repair backlogs extending the useful life of existing facilities and improving energy efficiency
- Construct a Transportation and Maintenance Facility on land donated in Milliken to reduce traffic congestion from RHS and provide support to maintain District resources

Issue 5B will cost \$5.66 per month per \$100,000 of a home's value that funds \$148.6 million in high priority improvements district-wide (**\$139.9 million bond** plus \$8.67 million in matching grants). As a community, we have not invested in our facilities for over 16 years, and the conditions of the buildings are showing neglect.

Without passage of 5B, the combination of overcrowding and deteriorating buildings will add to the already existing safety concerns for our students as well as limiting their educational opportunities compared to neighboring districts. Not approving this measure now will only delay the need and ensure higher costs in the future.

Approving funding for our local schools ensures that our district will remain strong by providing our children with the best resources to succeed, not only in school but as members of our workforce which is vital to the continued prosperity of our communities.

Your YES vote on Issue 5B prepares our students, schools, and communities for a strong future.

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

### TO ALL REGISTERED VOTERS SOLAR RIDGE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 21 LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO NOTICE OF ELECTION TO INCREASE TAXES ON A REFERRED MEASURE

<u>Election Date:</u> November 5, 2019 <u>Election Hours:</u> 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM <u>Local Election Office Address:</u> Angela Myers, Larimer County Clerk and Recorder, 200 West Oak Street, PO Box 1547, Fort Collins, Colorado 80522 <u>Telephone Number:</u> (970) 498-7820

### Ballot Title and Text:

### Ballot Issue 6A

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SHALL THE SOLAR RIDGE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #21 TAXES BE INCREASED \$52,311 DOLLARS ANNUALLY (ESTIMATED FIRST FISCAL YEAR DOLLAR INCREASE IN 2020), AND BY WHATEVER ADDITIONAL AMOUNT AS MAY BE RAISED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER, BY THE IMPOSITION OF AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES AT A MILL LEVY RATE NOT TO EXCEED 17.5000 MILLS, THE REVENUES OF WHICH WILL BE COLLECTED BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2020 AND EACH YEAR THEREAFTER, AND UPON APPROVAL OF THIS MILL LEVY, THE REVENUES RAISED PURSUANT TO THE BALLOT MEASURE APPROVED NOVEMBER 2, 2004, SHALL TERMINATE ON DECEMBER 31, 2019, WITH THE REVENUES COLLECTED BY IMPOSITION OF THE 17.5000 MILL LEVY TO BE USED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, IMPROVEMENT AND CONTINUED MAINTENANCE OF ROADS IN THE DISTRICT AND STONECREST DRIVE AND FOR THE GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES OF THE DISTRICT. AND SHALL THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH TAX, THE SPECIFIC OWNERSHIP TAXES RECEIVED BY THE DISTRICT AND INVESTMENT EARNINGS ON BOTH CONSTITUTE VOTER APPROVED REVENUE AND/OR SPENDING CHANGES AND BE 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 SHALL THE DISTRICT BE AUTHORIZED TO COLLECT AND EXPEND FROM ITS MILL LEVY ANY SUCH AMOUNT WHICH IS MORE THAN THE AMOUNT WHICH WOULD OTHERWISE BE PERMITTED UNDER THE 5.5% LIMIT IMPOSED BY SECTION 29-1-301, COLORADO REVISED STATUTES IN 2020 AND EACH YEAR THEREAFTER?

### Actual historical and current estimated fiscal year spending information:

Year	Fiscal Year Spending
2019 (estimated) 2018 (actual) 2017 (actual) 2016 (actual) 2015 (actual)	\$ 55,973 <sup>1</sup> \$ 37,919 \$ 36,694 \$ 35,551 \$ 35,050
Il percentage change from 2015 through 2019:	38.79%
ll dollar change from 2015 through 2019:	\$20,923

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Estimate of the maximum dollar amount of increase for fiscal year 2020:	\$17,536
Estimate of the spending for fiscal year 2019 without the increase:	\$38,437

### Summaries of written comments filed with the election officer:

# The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons FOR Ballot Issue 6A:

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

# The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons AGAINST Ballot Issue 6A:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Included are loan repayments between orgs for this fund.

### TO ALL REGISTERED VOTERS MANOR RIDGE ESTATES PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 67 LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO NOTICE OF ELECTION TO INCREASE TAXES ON A REFERRED MEASURE

<u>Election Date:</u> November 5, 2019 <u>Election Hours:</u> 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM <u>Local Election Office Address:</u> Angela Myers, Larimer County Clerk and Recorder, 200 West Oak Street, PO Box 1547, Fort Collins, Colorado 80522 <u>Telephone Number:</u> (970) 498-7820

### Ballot Title and Text:

### Ballot Issue 6B

SHALL TAXES BE INCREASED \$162,000 ANNUALLY (IN THE FIRST YEAR) OR SUCH GREATER AMOUNT AS IS RAISED IN SUBSEQUENT YEARS WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE PROPOSED MANOR RIDGE ESTATES PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 67 BY THE IMPOSITION OF AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES AT A MILL LEVY RATE NOT TO EXCEED 41.545 MILLS, THE REVENUES OF WHICH WILL BE COLLECTED BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2020 AND EACH YEAR THEREAFTER, SUCH REVENUES TO BE USED FOR THE IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF ROADS AS REQUESTED IN THE PETITION FOR CREATION OF THE DISTRICT AND FOR THE GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES; SHALL MANOR RIDGE ESTATES PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 67 BE CREATED; AND SHALL THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH TAXES, THE SPECIFIC OWNERSHIP TAXES RECEIVED BY THE DISTRICT AND INVESTMENT EARNINGS ON BOTH CONSTITUTE VOTER APPROVED REVENUE AND/OR SPENDING CHANGES AND BE 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 SHALL THE DISTRICT BE AUTHORIZED TO COLLECT AND EXPEND FROM ITS MILL LEVY ANY SUCH AMOUNT WHICH IS MORE THAN THE AMOUNT WHICH WOULD OTHERWISE BE PERMITTED UNDER THE 5.5% LIMIT IMPOSED BY SECTION 29-1-301. COLORADO REVISED STATUTES IN 2020 AND EACH YEAR THEREAFTER?

### Actual historical and current estimated fiscal year spending information:

Year	Fiscal Year Spe	nding	
2019 (estimated)	\$ 0		
2018 (actual)	\$ 0		
2017 (actual)	\$ 0		
2016 (actual)	\$ O		
2015 (actual)	\$ O		
Overall percentage change from 2015 through 201	9	0%	
Overall dollar change from 2015 through 2019		\$	0
Estimate of the maximum dollar amount of increase for fiscal year 2020:		\$162,	000
Estimate of the spending for fiscal year 2020 witho	ut the increase:	\$	0

### Summaries of written comments filed with the election officer:

# The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons FOR Ballot Issue 6B:

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

# The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons AGAINST Ballot Issue 6B:

### TO ALL REGISTERED VOTERS SCENIC RANCH ESTATES PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 68 LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO NOTICE OF ELECTION TO INCREASE TAXES ON A REFERRED MEASURE

Election Date: November 5, 2019 Election Hours: 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM Local Election Office Address: Angela Myers, Larimer County Clerk and Recorder, 200 West Oak Street, PO Box 1547, Fort Collins, Colorado 80522 Telephone Number: (970) 498-7820

### **Ballot Title and Text:**

### Ballot Issue 6C

SHALL TAXES BE INCREASED \$20,885 ANNUALLY (IN THE FIRST YEAR) OR SUCH GREATER AMOUNT AS IS RAISED IN SUBSEQUENT YEARS WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE PROPOSED SCENIC RANCH ESTATES PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 68 BY THE IMPOSITION OF AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES AT A MILL LEVY RATE NOT TO EXCEED 27.000 MILLS, THE REVENUES OF WHICH WILL BE COLLECTED BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2020 AND EACH YEAR THEREAFTER, SUCH REVENUES TO BE USED FOR THE IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF ROADS AS REQUESTED IN THE PETITION FOR CREATION OF THE DISTRICT AND FOR THE GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES: SHALL SCENIC RANCH ESTATES PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 68 BE CREATED; AND SHALL THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH TAXES, THE SPECIFIC OWNERSHIP TAXES RECEIVED BY THE DISTRICT AND INVESTMENT EARNINGS ON BOTH CONSTITUTE VOTER APPROVED REVENUE AND/OR SPENDING CHANGES AND BE 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 SHALL THE DISTRICT BE AUTHORIZED TO COLLECT AND EXPEND FROM ITS MILL LEVY ANY SUCH AMOUNT WHICH IS MORE THAN THE AMOUNT WHICH WOULD OTHERWISE BE PERMITTED UNDER THE 5.5% LIMIT IMPOSED BY SECTION 29-1-301. COLORADO REVISED STATUTES IN 2020 AND EACH YEAR THEREAFTER?

### Actual historical and current estimated fiscal year spending information:

Year	Fiscal Year Spe	nding	
2019 (estimated)	\$ 0		
2018 (actual)	\$ 0		
2017 (actual)	\$ O		
2016 (actual)	\$ O		
2015 (actual)	\$ O		
Overall percentage change from 2015 through 201	9	0%	
Overall dollar change from 2015 through 2019		\$	0
Estimate of the maximum dollar amount of increas	e for fiscal year 2020:	\$20,	885
Estimate of the spending for fiscal year 2020 witho	out the increase:	\$	0

### Summaries of written comments filed with the election officer:

### The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons FOR Ballot Issue 6C:

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

### The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons AGAINST Ballot Issue 6C:

### TO ALL REGISTERED VOTERS WINDSOR-SEVERANCE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO NOTICE OF ELECTION TO INCREASE TAXES ON A REFERRED MEASURE

<u>Election Date:</u> Tuesday, November 5, 2019 <u>Election Hours:</u> 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM <u>Local Election Office Address:</u> Sue Blair, Community Resource Services of Colorado, LLC 7995 East Prentice Avenue, Suite 103E, Greenwood Village, Colorado 80111 <u>Telephone Number:</u> (303) 381-4960

### Ballot Title and Text:

### Ballot Issue 7A

SHALL WINDSOR-SEVERANCE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT TAXES BE INCREASED BY UP TO \$3,100,000 (2026 AMOUNT AFTER ALL PHASED-IN INCREASES) ANNUALLY AND IN EACH YEAR THEREAFTER BY WHATEVER ADDITIONAL AMOUNTS ARE RAISED FROM A PHASED-IN OPERATING MILL LEVY IMPOSED AT A RATE OF 0.556 MILLS IN 2019, AN ADDITIONAL 0.500 MILLS IN 2022 AND AN ADDITIONAL 0.500 MILLS IN 2025 (THE TOTAL OF WHICH IS 1.556 MILLS AND IS IN ADDITION TO THE MILL LEVY CURRENTLY IMPOSED BY THE DISTRICT), AND CONTINUING THEREAFTER AS PROVIDED BY LAW, WITH SUCH TAX PROCEEDS TO BE USED FOR THE FOLLOWING DISTRICT OPERATIONAL AND CAPITAL EXPENSES:

- BUILD 2 NEW FIRE STATIONS TO ASSIST WITH THE EXPERIENCED AND EXPECTED GROWTH – PROPOSED LOCATIONS TO SERVE SOUTHERN WINDSOR AND SEVERANCE AREA
- HIRE THE NECESSARY FIRE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE PERSONNEL FOR THE
   PROPOSED FIRE STATIONS
- PURCHASE THE NECESSARY FIRE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT FOR THE NEW STATIONS AND THE EXISTING STATIONS
- MAINTAINING AND IMPROVING CURRENT LEVELS OF FIRE PROTECTION AND EMERGENCY SERVICES; AND
- MAINTAIN AND IMPROVE EMERGENCY RESPONSE TIMES;

AND SHALL SUCH TAX PROCEEDS BE COLLECTED AND SPENT BY THE DISTRICT AS VOTER APPROVED REVENUE AND SPENDING CHANGES IN EACH YEAR, WITHOUT REGARD TO ANY SPENDING OR REVENUE LIMITATION CONTAINED IN ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION AND SECTION 29-1-301, COLORADO REVISED STATUTES?

### Actual historical and current estimated fiscal year spending information:

Year	Fiscal Year Spen	ding
2019 (estimated)	\$ 8,686,322	
2018 (actual) 2017 (actual)	\$ 6,311,544 \$ 5,129,765	
2016 (actual)	\$ 7,462,739	
2015 (actual)	\$ 4,990,435	
Overall percentage change in fiscal year spendin	g from 2015 – 2019:	74%
Overall dollar change in fiscal year spending from	1 2015 — 2019:	\$ 3,695,887.00
Proposed District Tax Increase:		
Estimated maximum dollar amount of proposed tax increase in first full fiscal year:		\$ 11,242,814.97
Estimated first full fiscal year spending without proposed tax increase:		\$ 10,436,233.66

### Summaries of written comments filed with the election officer:

### The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons FOR Ballot Issue 7A:

Windsor Fire District has proudly served our community since 1902 and Severance since 1950. There has been a long-standing dedication and passion for excellence from the amazing volunteer firefighters of the past to the career/part-time and volunteer department serving our community today.

The job of the fire department is to handle emergencies and be prepared for what could happen. Given the growth and needs of our community, there is now a need to build a 4th fire station and data shows the likely need for a 5th fire station in the next 6-8 years.

The mill rate increase being asked of our community is to primarily fund the increase to pay for the needed increase in staffing. The fire stations will primarily be built with oil and gas funding but the residents and businesses that rely on emergency services each and every day are being asked to fund three small increases, 0.556 mills in 2020, 0.5 mills in 2023 and 0.5 mills in 2026. These small increases will result in a \$300,000 home seeing about an \$11 increase in 2020 and by 2026 an additional \$11 a year in property tax payment. What most would consider a fairly small price given the large impact we can make on our emergency services if we approve 7A. If your home is worth \$600,000 you would simply double your payment to \$22 a year in 2020 and another \$22 a year in 2026.

The funding of necessary staffing, approximately 24 new emergency first responders, the extensive training, and the specialized equipment needed in preparation for a predictable and significant increase in service demands to our community, is something I support. One of the primary goals in any emergency response is a quick response. Having 2 more fire stations will create the opportunity for our entire community to benefit even if you already have a fire station nearby.

It has been over a decade since WSFR has asked for an increase in a mill rate and the current mill rate is one of the lowest of fire districts in northern Colorado.

I support 7A and hope you will lend your support to our growing community, just like those have done in the past, so we all can be working to assure we have the best emergency services possible for Windsor and Severance.

### The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons AGAINST Ballot Issue 7A:

#### TO ALL REGISTERED VOTERS NORTH WELD COUNTY WATER DISTRICT (NWCWD) LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO NOTICE OF ELECTION TO INCREASE TAXES ON A REFERRED MEASURE

<u>Election Date:</u> November 5, 2019 <u>Election Hours:</u> 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM <u>Local Election Office Address:</u> Stacie Pacheco, Icenogle Seaver Pogue, P.C. 4725 South Monaco Street, Suite 360, Denver, Colorado 80237 <u>Telephone Number:</u> (303) 867-3000

### Ballot Title and Text:

### Ballot Issue 7B

SHALL NORTH WELD COUNTY WATER DISTRICT TAXES BE INCREASED \$5,000,000 IN FISCAL YEAR 2020 AND EVERY YEAR THEREAFTER IN SUCH AMOUNTS AS ARE GENERATED BY THE IMPOSITION OF AN AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAX NOT TO EXCEED 5 MILLS, TO BE COLLECTED IN 2020 AND ANNUALLY THEREAFTER TO PAY THE DISTRICT'S ADMINISTRATION, OPERATIONS, AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSES, AND SHALL THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH TAX AND ANY INVESTMENT INCOME THEREON BE COLLECTED, RETAINED, AND SPENT BY THE DISTRICT IN FISCAL YEAR 2020 AND IN EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER AS A VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE WITHOUT REGARD TO ANY SPENDING, REVENUE-RAISING, OR OTHER LIMITATION CONTAINED WITHIN ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION, THE LIMITS IMPOSED ON INCREASES IN PROPERTY TAXATION BY SECTION 29-1-301, C.R.S. IN ANY YEAR, OR ANY OTHER LAW WHICH PURPORTS TO LIMIT THE DISTRICT'S REVENUES OR EXPENDITURES AS IT CURRENTLY EXISTS OR AS IT MAY BE AMENDED IN THE FUTURE, ALL WITHOUT LIMITING IN ANY YEAR THE AMOUNT OF OTHER REVENUES THAT MAY BE COLLECTED, RETAINED, AND SPENT BY THE DISTRICT?

### Actual historical and current estimated fiscal year spending information:

Year	Fiscal Year Spending	
2019 (estimated) 2018 (actual) 2017 (actual) 2016 (actual) 2015 (actual)	\$ 29,870,589 \$ 22,463,301 \$ 20,991,077 \$ 14,004,616 \$ 12,232,732	
Overall Percentage Change from 2015 to 2019: Overall Dollar Change from 2015 to 2019:	144.19 \$17,637	

District Estimated Maximum Dollar Amount of Tax Increase for first full fiscal year of Proposed Tax Increase: \$5,000,000

District Estimated Maximum Fiscal Year Spending for first full fiscal year without the Proposed Tax Increase: \$30,390,113

### Summaries of written comments filed with the election officer:

### The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons FOR Ballot Issue 7B:

As a business owner and property owner in the North Weld County Water District, I support the upcoming District mill levy initiative.

The District has not collected a mill levy since 1992 when its general obligation bonds were satisfied, and its customers benefit from some of the lowest water rates along the Front Range. We have all heard that infrastructure around the country is aging and North Weld is no different. The low rates we all have appreciated come at a cost as the years go by. Pipes, tanks and pump stations age and need sensible replacement or upgrades. Just like a 50+ year old house needs attention and maintenance, so does the system that delivers quality water to my family and animals.

North Weld was organized in 1962 and began constructing pipe in 1965. The treatment plant is located approximately 15 miles from the District's primary storage facility therefore a lot of infrastructure investment was made even before serving the bulk of the District's customers which are spread out over 325 square miles.

A mill levy will impact all of the lands included into the District which means that not only current customers would be impacted but those who benefit from increased property values due to their proximity to District facilities. These landowners do not have a water tap therefore a rate increase would not affect them, but the mill levy would level the field.

While no one wants to pay more taxes, a mill levy is more equitable across the District's boundaries than rate increases alone. Vote yes for the levy!

### The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons AGAINST Ballot Issue 7B:

As a business and property owner in the North Weld County Water District, I oppose the upcoming District mill levy initiative.

When we built our house, we, as your customer, paid our share of the investment fees and we should not be penalized with increased costs. The expenses for NWCWD should be paid by land developers and builders through water tap fees which include charges for raw water and plant investment. If the costs associated with developing and building in northern Colorado become excessive, it is likely that growth will slow, a good thing all around.

It is expected that customers will pay for the upkeep and infrastructure of existing facilities which provide for the current customer base through adjusted rates for water usage. Any kind of a mill levy which adds to property taxes for existing customers is definitely not the proper way to fund NWCWD investment in infrastructure. Vote no, plain and simple.

#### TO ALL REGISTERED VOTERS NORTH WELD COUNTY WATER DISTRICT (NWCWD) LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO NOTICE OF ELECTION TO INCREASE TAXES ON A REFERRED MEASURE

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### Ballot Title and Text:

### Ballot Issue 7C

SHALL NORTH WELD COUNTY WATER DISTRICT BE AUTHORIZED TO COLLECT, RETAIN, AND SPEND THE FULL AMOUNT OF ALL TAXES, TAP FEES, PLANT INVESTMENT FEES, PARK FEES, FACILITY FEES, DEVELOPMENT FEES, IMPACT FEES, SERVICE CHARGES, INSPECTION CHARGES, ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGES, GRANTS, OR ANY OTHER FEE, RATE, TOLL, PENALTY, OR CHARGE AUTHORIZED BY LAW OR CONTRACT TO BE IMPOSED, COLLECTED, OR RECEIVED BY THE DISTRICT DURING FISCAL YEAR 2019 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, SUCH AMOUNTS TO CONSTITUTE A VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE AND BE COLLECTED, RETAINED, 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, THE LIMITS IMPOSED ON INCREASES IN PROPERTY TAXATION BY SECTION 29-1-301, C.R.S. IN ANY SUBSEQUENT YEAR, OR ANY OTHER LAW WHICH PURPORTS TO LIMIT THE DISTRICT'S REVENUES OR EXPENDITURES AS IT CURRENTLY EXISTS OR AS IT MAY BE AMENDED IN THE FUTURE, AND WITHOUT LIMITING IN ANY YEAR THE AMOUNT OF OTHER REVENUES THAT MAY BE COLLECTED, RETAINED, AND SPENT BY THE DISTRICT?

### Actual historical and current estimated fiscal year spending information:

Year	Fiscal Year Spending	
2019 (estimated)	\$ 29,870,589	
2018 (actual)	\$ 22,463,301	
2017 (actual)	\$ 20,991,077	
2016 (actual)	\$ 14,004,616	
2015 (actual)	\$ 12,232,732	

Overall Percentage Change from 2015 to 2019:	144.19 %
Overall Dollar Change from 2015 to 2019:	\$17,637,857

District Estimated Maximum Dollar Amount of Tax Increase for first full fiscal year of Proposed Tax Increase: N/A

District Estimated Maximum Fiscal Year Spending for first full fiscal year without the Proposed Tax Increase: N/A

### Summaries of written comments filed with the election officer:

The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons FOR Ballot Issue 7C:

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

### The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons AGAINST Ballot Issue 7C:

### END OF BALLOT ISSUE NOTICE

As required by Colorado Statutes (C.R.S. 1-7-905), I hereby certify the ballot issue notices are complete as submitted by the political subdivisions.

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Angela Myers Larimer County Clerk & Recorder