

# LARIMER COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER

## NOTICE OF ELECTION

## GENERAL ELECTION TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2022 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Angela Myers, Larimer County Clerk and Recorder

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Website: vote.larimer.gov

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 eligible to vote on this question.

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 General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, between the hours of 7 AM and 7 PM.

The election will be conducted as a mail ballot election. Ballot materials will be mailed during the week of October 17, 2022, to every active, registered voter.

Voted ballots may be returned by mail (postage is 60 cents) or hand delivered to a designated ballot drop box location or a Voter Service and Polling Center.

After October 31, 2022, it is recommended that voters personally deliver their ballot to any of the drop box or Voter Service and Polling Center locations listed in the following pages of this Notice.

Ballots must be RECEIVED at the Larimer County Elections Office, a designated ballot drop box location or a Voter Service and Polling Center by 7 PM on Election Day, Tuesday, November 8, 2022.

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

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

#### **BALLOT DROP BOX LOCATIONS**

(Open October 17 - November 8)

Drop off your voted ballot 24 hours a day at a ballot drop box location listed below. Ballots will be accepted in these boxes until 7 PM Election Night:

#### **Bellvue Area**

Ted's Place (Hwy 14/287), 92 Poudre Canyon Rd

#### **Berthoud Area**

Berthoud Community Library, 236 Welch Ave

#### **Estes Park Area**

Estes Park Municipal Building, 170 MacGregor Ave

Estes Park Vehicle Licensing Office, 1601 Brodie Ave

#### Fort Collins Area

Colorado State University, Lory Student Center

Elks Lodge, 1424 E Mulberry St

Fort Collins Habitat for Humanity ReStore, 4001 S Taft Hill Ave

Fort Collins Police Services, 2221 S Timberline Rd

Fort Collins Senior Center, 1200 Raintree Dr.

Fort Collins Traffic Operations, 626 Linden St

Harmony Library, 4616 S Shields St

Larimer County Admin. Services, 200 W Oak St

Larimer County Human Services, 1501 Blue Spruce Dr

Northside Aztlan Community Center, 112 E Willow St

South Transit Center, 4915 Fossil Blvd

#### Laporte Area

Overland Foods, 3333 County Road 54G

#### Loveland Area

Loveland Habitat for Humanity ReStore, 5250 N Garfield Ave

Loveland Police & Courts, 810 E 10th St

Loveland Public Library, 300 N Adams Ave

Loveland Vehicle Licensing Office, 200 Peridot Ave

#### Red Feather Lakes Area

Red Feather Lakes Community Library, 71 Fire House Ln

#### Timnath Area

Timnath Public Works Building, 4800 Goodman Rd

#### Wellington Area

Wellington Public Library, 3800 Wilson Ave

#### **VOTER SERVICE AND POLLING CENTERS (VSPC)**

Drop off your voted ballot, obtain a replacement ballot, change your address, register to vote, or vote on an ADA accessible voting machine at a Voter Service and Polling Center (VSPC).

Visit any VSPC only during dates and times listed below.

#### VSPCs Open Beginning: Oct 24

Monday thru Friday, Oct 24 - Oct 28 (8 AM - 5 PM) Monday thru Friday, Oct 31 - Nov 4 (8 AM - 5 PM) Saturday, Nov 5 (8 AM - 5 PM) Monday, Nov 7 (8 AM - 5 PM) Tuesday, Nov 8, Election Day (7 AM - 7 PM)

Estes Valley Community Center, 660 Community Dr, Estes Park Colorado State University, Durrell Center, Fort Collins Larimer County Admin. Services, 200 W Oak St, Fort Collins Loveland Police & Courts, 810 E 10th St, Loveland

#### VSPCs Open Beginning: Nov 4

Friday, Nov 4 (8 AM - 5 PM)
Saturday, Nov 5 (8 AM - 5 PM)
Monday, Nov 7 (8 AM - 5 PM)
Tuesday, Nov 8, Election Day (7 AM - 7 PM)

Clearwater Church, 2700 S Lemay Ave, Fort Collins Council Tree Covenant Church, 4825 S Lemay Ave, Fort Collins Drake Centre, 802 W Drake Rd, Fort Collins Elks Lodge, 1424 E Mulberry St, Fort Collins Hilton Hotel, 425 W Prospect Rd, Fort Collins Crossroads Church, 5240 N Taft Ave, Loveland Grace Community Church, 240 Barberry Pl, Loveland King of Glory Lutheran Church, 2919 N Wilson Ave, Loveland

#### VSPCs Open Beginning: Nov 7

Monday, Nov 7 (8 AM - 5 PM)
Tuesday, Nov 8, Election Day (7 AM - 7 PM)

Brookside Gardens, 619 E County Road 8, Berthoud American Legion, 2124 County Road 54G, Fort Collins Council Tree Library, 2733 Council Tree Ave, Fort Collins Fort Collins Country Club, 1920 Country Club Rd, Fort Collins Front Range Community College, 4616 S Shields St, Fort Collins The Ranch, McKee Building, 5280 Arena Cir, Loveland Timnath Town Center, 4750 Signal Tree Dr, Timnath River of Life Fellowship, 3161 County Road 62E, Wellington

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

Election Date: November 8, 2022 Election Hours: 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM

Local Election Office Address: Charles R. Wolfersberger, CPA,

12210 Brighton Rd # 8, Henderson, CO 80640

Telephone Number: (720) 355-5818

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

**BALLOT ISSUE 6B** 

SHALL PARKSIDE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT TAXES BE INCREASED ANNUALLY BY ANY AMOUNT DEEMED NECESSARY BY THE DISTRICT AS LONG AS TOTAL TAXES LEVIED BY THE DISTRICT DOES NOT EXCEED \$136,000 ANNUALLY FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING THE MAINTENANCE OF THE DISTRICT'S PARKS AND OPEN SPACES. GENERAL OPERATIONS OF THE DISTRICT AND PUBLIC SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE DISTRICT: SUCH ANNUAL TAX LIMIT TO BE ADJUSTED ANNUALLY FOR INFLATION PER THE COLORADO CONSUMER PRICE INDEX AS TRACKED BY THE UNITED STATES BUREAU OF LABOR STASTICS: SUCH TAXES TO CONSIST OF AN AD VALOREM MILL LEVY IMPOSED WITHOUT LIMITATION OF RATE OR WITH SUCH LIMITATIONS AS MAY BE DETERMINED BY THE BOARD, AND IN AMOUNTS SUFFICIENT TO PRODUCE PROPERTY TAX REVENUE THAT DOES NOT EXCEED \$136,000 ANNUALLY (AS ADJUSTED FOR INFLATION); AND SHALL THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH TAXES AND INVESTMENT INCOME THEREON BE COLLECTED AND SPENT BY THE DISTRICT AS A VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE IN 2023 AND IN EACH YEAR THEREAFTER, WITHOUT REGARD TO ANY SPENDING, REVENUE-RAISING, OR OTHER LIMITATION CONTAINED WITHIN ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION, OR SECTION 29-1-301, COLORADO REVISED STATUTES?

#### Actual Historical and Current Estimated Fiscal Year Spending Information:

Year	Fiscal Year Spending	
2022 (Estimated) 2021 2020 2019 2018	\$ 120,200.00 \$ 71,600.00 \$ 45,500.00 \$ 37,000.00 \$ -	
Overall percentage change from 2018 th	100%	
Overall dollar change from 2018 through	\$ 120,200.00	
Estimated 2023 fiscal year spending with	\$ 125,000.00	
Estimated 2023 maximum tax increase a	\$ 136,000.00	

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

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

The Parkside Metropolitan District's (the District) boundaries essentially encompass 76 home lots within the Parkside Village subdivision (aka "The Enclave at Mariana Butte"). The residents and property owners of the subdivision control the District through electing the District's board members who direct the operations and neighborhood services provided to you and other District residents.

The District's annual operating budget is primarily comprised of fixed operating costs – ignoring any inflationary pressures. The District is responsible for maintaining the park and open spaces around the community, the storm water detention pond, the perimeter fencing and the entrance monument sign. The estimated cost to operate the District for 2023 is \$125,000 (which translates to an average cost of \$1,582 per house).

A vote for this ballot issue will allow your District to fund its operations entirely from annual property tax assessments and restrict the District's ability to raise property tax revenue above \$136,000/year. The District's ability to raise property tax revenue is currently restricted to a maximum mill levy of 16.698 mills, which will generate approximately \$38,200 in property tax revenue in 2023.

Establishing a fixed cap on tax revenue of \$136,000 (ignoring changes in the Colorado Consumer Price Index) will reduce or eliminate variability in property taxes homeowners pay to the District each year to fund neighborhood services.

WHAT IF THIS BALLOT ISSUE DOES NOT PASS? Because the District's responsibilities to maintain the park, open spaces, fencing and other public assets are fixed, the District would need to assess a combination of property taxes (from the maximum 16.698 mill levy) and fees on homeowners to generate sufficient revenue to fund the District's operations. THE DISTRICT ALREADY HAS THE AUTHORITY TO RAISE REVENUE FROM HOMEOWNERS THROUGH A COMBINATION OF PROPERTY TAXES AND FEES.

FUNDING DISTRICT OPERATIONS ONLY FROM CAPPED PROPERTY TAXES PROVIDES CERTAIN FINANCIAL ADVANTAGES TO FUNDING NEIGHBORHOOD OPERATIONS COMPARED TO FUNDING NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES WITH A COMBINATION OF FEES AND TAXES. The State of Colorado provides a subsidy to property tax districts on property tax revenue generated by property tax districts. The subsidy is currently approximately \$0.07 for every \$1.00 in property tax revenue generated. However, there is no state subsidy offered by the State for fee revenue generated by property tax districts.

Also, the administrative costs to collect fees is higher than the cost to collect property taxes. Finally, property tax revenue may be deductible on homeowners' Federal income tax returns whereas flat fees paid to districts may not be tax deductible.

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

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

### **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.

Angela Myers Larimer County Clerk & Recorder