

## LARIMER COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER

# NOTICE OF ELECTION

### COORDINATED ELECTION TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2021 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 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 Coordinated Election will be held on Tuesday, November 2, 2021, 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 <u>the week of</u> October 11, 2021, to every active, registered voter.

Voted ballots may be returned by mail (postage is 58 cents) or hand delivered to a designated ballot drop-off location or a Voter Service and Polling Center.

After October 25, 2021, it is recommended that voters personally deliver their ballot to any of the drop-off locations listed in the following pages of this Notice.

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 PM on Election Day, Tuesday, November 2, 2021.

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 8 – November 2)

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

#### Bellvue

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

#### Berthoud

Berthoud Community Library, 236 Welch Ave

#### Estes Park

Estes Park Municipal Building, 170 MacGregor Ave Estes Park Vehicle Licensing Office, 1601 Brodie Ave

#### Fort Collins

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 Courthouse, 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

Overland Foods, 3333 County Road 54G

#### Loveland

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

Red Feather Lakes Community Library, 71 Fire House Ln

#### Timnath

Timnath Public Works Building, 4800 Goodman Rd

#### Wellington

Wellington Public Library, 3800 Wilson Ave

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

(Open October 25 – November 2)

You may drop off your voted ballot, obtain a replacement ballot, change your address, register to vote, or vote on an ADA accessible voting machine at the following VSPCs - only during the following times:

Monday thru Friday, October 25 – October 29 (8 AM – 5 PM) Saturday, October 30 (9 AM – 1 PM) Monday, November 1 (8 AM – 5 PM) **Tuesday**, November 2, Election Day (7 AM – 7 PM)

#### Estes Park

Estes Valley Community Center, 660 Community Dr Fort Collins Colorado State University, Lory Student Center Drake Centre, 802 W Drake Rd Larimer County Courthouse, 200 W Oak St

#### Loveland

Loveland Police & Courts Building, 810 E 10th St

Monday, November 1 (8 AM – 5 PM) **Tuesday**, November 2, Election Day (7 AM – 7 PM)

#### Fort Collins

Front Range Community College, Longs Peak Student Center

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

<u>Election Date:</u> November 2, 2021 <u>Election Hours:</u> 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM <u>Local Election Office Address:</u> Michele Barrasso, Seter & Vander Wall, P.C., 7400 E. Orchard Rd, Suite 3300, Greenwood Village, CO 80111 <u>Telephone Number:</u> (303) 770-2700

#### Ballot Title and Text:

#### Ballot Issue 6D

SHALL BERTHOUD COMMUNITY LIBRARY DISTRICT TAXES BE INCREASED \$1,275,000 ANNUALLY FOR COLLECTION BEGINNING IN 2022, AND ANNUALLY THEREAFTER BY AN ADDITIONAL PERCENTAGE EQUAL TO INFLATION PLUS ANNUAL LOCAL GROWTH AS DEFINED IN ART. X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION, WITH HALF THE TAX INCREASE EXPIRING AFTER THIRTY YEARS, TO MAINTAIN EXISTING SERVICES AND TO MEET THE INCREASED DEMAND FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES, WHICH MAY INCLUDE:

CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW, LARGER LIBRARY BUILDING TO MEET GROWING COMMUNITY NEEDS;

SEPARATE SPACES FOR CHILDREN AND TEENS;

NEW COMMUNITY MEETING ROOMS, INNOVATION LAB, AND RECORDING STUDIO;

EXPANDED COMPUTER LAB AND INTERNET CAPACITY FOR PUBLIC USE;

SUPPORTING THE COST OF STAFFING AND GENERAL OPERATIONS;

AND SHALL THE DISTRICT BE AUTHORIZED TO LEVY A PROPERTY TAX AT A RATE SUFFICIENT TO PRODUCE THIS INCREASE, COMMENCING WITH TAXES PAYABLE IN 2022 AND CONTINUING EACH YEAR THEREAFTER (EXPECTED TO RESULT IN A MONTHLY TAX INCREASE OF \$2.97 FOR EACH \$100,000 OF HOME VALUE IN 2022); AND SHALL THE DISTRICT BE ENTITLED TO COLLECT, RETAIN AND SPEND THOSE REVENUES IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER TAXES, FEES OR OTHER REVENUES OF THE DISTRICT AND NOTWITHSTANDING ANY LIMITATION OR RESTRICTION OF ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION, OR WITHOUT REGARD TO THE 5.5% PROPERTY TAX REVENUE LIMITATION OF SECTION 29-1-301, C.R.S. OR ANY OTHER LAW?

#### Total District Fiscal Year Spending:

Year	Fiscal Year Spending
2021 (estimated)	\$ 651,405
2020 (actual)	\$ 614,856
2019 (actual)	\$ 494,535
2018 (actual)	\$ 457,938
2017 (actual)	\$ 407,136

Overall percentage change from 2017 to 2021:

Overall dollar change from 2017 to 2021:

#### Proposed Tax Increase

District Estimate of the Maximum Dollar Amount of Proposed Tax Increase for Fiscal Year 2022 under **Ballot Issue 6D**: \$1,275,000

District Estimate of the Maximum Fiscal Year Spending for Fiscal Year 2022 without the increase under **Ballot Issue 6D**: \$748,643

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60%

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\$ 244,269

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

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

Vote on YES 6D for a NEW, LARGER, COMMUNITY LIBRARY for BERTHOUD.

We Have Outgrown Our Library.

Our small library was built 28 years ago when Berthoud had only 3000 people.

Today, our growth has put our population over 15,000, moving quickly to 20,000 with no slowing in sight. This six-fold population growth has put tremendous strain on our families and community to access library services.

To put it in perspective, our library was built the same year the Colorado Rockies took the field. Aladdin and A Few Good Men were the hit movies of the day and DIA was still two years away from opening.

Over 100 people walk through our library doors daily and the library checks out 143 books or materials a day. And over 2,500 people yearly attend a library sponsored cultural or educational event.

But the library has to routinely turn people away because we don't have enough meeting space, computer terminals or private study/work spaces for students and adults.

The Solution: YES on 6D.

A Great Community like Berthoud deserves a Great Public Library.

YES on 6D = A new, larger library building that will meet the growing community needs in the Berthoud area.

YES on 6D ensures that our new, larger library will have:

- ✓ separate areas for <u>children</u> and <u>teens</u> so they have a <u>safe and healthy</u> learning place
- ✓ new <u>community meeting rooms</u>
- ✓ an innovation lab, and recording studio
- ✓ an expanded computer lab and internet capacity for free public use
- ✓ continually adding <u>best-sellers</u>, classics, audio/E-books and movies all for free.

YES on 6D gets our community all of this for only cost 3 bucks a month (\$2.97) for each \$100,000 of actual home value. That's what it says right in the ballot question. So for a \$400,000 home that's \$12...less than the cost of a pizza.

Here's what else the ballot questions says: About <u>half of the tax will expire</u> after the building construction has been paid for in approximately 2052 or before.

It's time we take care of ourselves for a change. Let's build our kids, our seniors, and our whole community a larger, modern library that keeps up with our needs. 6D IS THE KEY!

Vote YES on 6D for a New, Larger Community Library.

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

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.

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