



# Clerk & Recorder

## Hillary Hall

# NOTICE OF ELECTION

**November 6, 2012 - Election Day**

**Vote by mail ballot, at an early voting location or  
at your polling place on Election Day.**



## **NOTICE OF ELECTION TO INCREASE TAXES/TO INCREASE DEBT/ ON A CITIZEN PETITION/ON A REFERRED MEASURE.**

**This pamphlet contains  
summary statements for ballot  
propositions as required by the  
State of Colorado Constitution,  
Article X, Section 20.**

**A “yes” vote on any ballot issue  
is a vote in favor of changing  
current law or existing circum-  
stances, and a “no” vote on any  
ballot issue is a vote against  
changing current law or  
existing circumstances.**

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

**[www.BoulderCountyVotes.org](http://www.BoulderCountyVotes.org)**

## **2012 General Election: Boulder County, Colorado**

**Election Day – Tuesday, November 6, 2012**

Polling locations open 7 a.m.-7 p.m. on Election Day

Check **BoulderCountyVotes.org** for more election information or contact us:

**Phone: 303-413-7740**

**Email: [Vote@BoulderCountyVotes.org](mailto:Vote@BoulderCountyVotes.org)**

### **Important reminders:**

- Check your registration details at [BoulderCountyVotes.org](http://BoulderCountyVotes.org).
- Mail ballots will be sent to voters the week of Oct. 15.
- Polling place voters may cast a ballot at an early voting center or their Election Day polling place. Check your voter information at [BoulderCountyVotes.org](http://BoulderCountyVotes.org) beginning Oct. 15 or call 303-413-7740 for polling place information.
- If you're voting by mail ballot and you make a mistake, damage it or lose it, you may request a replacement ballot by emailing [Vote@BoulderCountyVotes.org](mailto:Vote@BoulderCountyVotes.org) or calling 303-413-7740.
- Ballots must be received by the Boulder County Clerk & Recorder or designated drop-off location by 7 p.m. on Election Day, Tuesday, Nov. 6, in order for your vote(s) to be counted. Ballots received after 7 p.m. on Nov. 6 will not be counted. Postmarks do not count as a received date.
- Mail ballot voters can check their voter information at [www.BoulderCountyVotes.org](http://www.BoulderCountyVotes.org) or call 303-413-7740 after Oct. 15 to verify your ballot was received.

### **EARLY VOTING HOURS AND LOCATIONS:**

#### **Boulder County Clerk & Recorder's Office**

**1750 33rd Street, Boulder**

8 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Friday, Oct. 22-Nov. 2

9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 27

#### **Boulder County Courthouse, East Wing**

**2025 14th Street, Boulder**

8 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Friday, Oct. 29-Nov. 2

#### **University Club, CU Campus**

**972 Broadway, Boulder**

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#### **Clover Building, Boulder County Fairgrounds**

**9595 Nelson Road, Longmont**

8 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Friday, Oct. 29-Nov. 2

#### **Lafayette Public Library**

**775 W. Baseline Road, Lafayette**

8 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Friday, Oct. 29-Nov. 2

### **SERVICE CENTERS/MAIL BALLOT REPLACEMENT CENTERS:**

#### **Boulder County Clerk & Recorder's Office**

**1750 33rd Street, Boulder**

8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, Oct. 15-19

8 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Friday, Oct. 22-Nov. 2

9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 27

9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 3

8 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday, Nov. 5

7 a.m.-7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 6

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## **DESIGNATED MAIL BALLOT DROP-OFF LOCATIONS**

### **BOULDER**

#### ***County Clerk & Recorder***

##### ***1750 33<sup>rd</sup> Street***

Inside Building Drop-off Times/Dates:

8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, Oct. 15-19

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9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 3

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Drive-by Drop-off Times:

9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 3

8 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday, Nov. 5

7 a.m.-7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 6

### **BOULDER**

#### ***Boulder County Courthouse***

##### ***1325 Pearl Street***

Inside Building Drop-off Times/Dates:

8 a.m.- 4:30 p.m., Monday - Friday, Oct. 17-Nov. 5

### **BOULDER**

#### ***Boulder County Courthouse, East Wing***

##### ***2025 14th Street***

Inside Building Drop-off Times/Dates:

8 a.m.- 6 p.m., Monday - Friday, Oct. 29-Nov. 2

4:30 p.m.-6 p.m. Monday, Nov. 5

7 a.m.-7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 6

### **BOULDER**

#### ***University Club, CU Campus***

##### ***972 Broadway***

Inside Building Drop-off Times/Dates:

8 a.m.- 6 p.m., Monday - Friday, Oct. 29-Nov. 5

7 a.m.-7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 6

### **LONGMONT**

#### ***County Clerk & Recorder***

##### ***529 Coffman Street***

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### **LONGMONT**

#### ***Drive-Up Ballot Collection***

##### ***534 Terry St.***

Drive-by Drop-off Times:

9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 3

8 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday, Nov. 5

7 a.m.-7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 6

### **LONGMONT**

#### ***Clover Building, Boulder County Fairgrounds***

##### ***9595 Nelson Road***

Inside Building Drop-off Times/Dates:

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7 a.m.-7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 6

### **LAFAYETTE**

#### ***Lafayette Public Library***

##### ***775 W. Baseline Road***

Inside Building Drop-off Times/Dates:

8 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Friday, Oct. 29-Nov. 5

7 a.m.-7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 6

### **LOUISVILLE**

#### ***County Clerk & Recorder***

##### ***722 Main Street***

Inside Building Drop-off Times/Dates:

8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, Oct. 15-Nov. 5

7 a.m.-7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 6

### **LOUISVILLE**

#### ***Steinbaugh Pavilion***

##### ***824 Front Street***

Drive-by Drop-off Times:

9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 3

8 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday, Nov. 5

7 a.m.-7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 6

### **LYONS**

#### ***Town Hall***

##### ***432 Fifth Ave.***

Drive-by Drop-off Times:

7 a.m.-7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 6

### **NEDERLAND**

#### ***Nederland Community Center***

##### ***750 Highway 72 North***

Drive-by Drop-off Times:

7 a.m.-7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 6

## **Additional assistance for Boulder County voters:**

- ADA accessible voting machines are available for use at all ballot replacement centers. For more information, please contact the Boulder County Elections Division at 303-413-7740 or [Vote@BoulderCountyVotes.org](mailto:Vote@BoulderCountyVotes.org).
- If you have questions or need assistance in Spanish, please contact our office at 303-413-7740 or log onto our website at [BoulderCountyVotes.org](http://BoulderCountyVotes.org). *Si usted tiene preguntas o necesita ayuda en español, por favor comuníquese con nuestra oficina al 303-413-7740 o visite nuestro sitio web en [BoulderCountyVotes.org](http://BoulderCountyVotes.org).*

**CITY OF BOULDER  
Office of the City Clerk  
1777 BROADWAY  
P.O. BOX 791  
BOULDER, CO 80306  
(303) 441-3011**

**NOTICE OF ELECTION FOR REVENUE  
CHANGES**

- (i) **Ballot title and text for Ballot  
Issue 2A**

**Ballot Issue No. 2A**

**CLIMATE ACTION PLAN TAX  
EXTENSION**

WITHOUT RAISING ADDITIONAL  
TAXES, SHALL THE EXISTING  
CLIMATE ACTION PLAN EXCISE TAX  
BE EXTENDED FOR FIVE YEARS FOR  
THE PURPOSE OF CONTINUING TO  
PROVIDE INCENTIVES, SERVICES,  
AND OTHER ASSISTANCE TO  
BOULDER RESIDENTS AND  
BUSINESSES TO IMPROVE ENERGY  
EFFICIENCY, EXPAND THE USE OF  
RENEWABLE ENERGY, AND TAKE  
OTHER NECESSARY STEPS TO  
REDUCE GREENHOUSE GAS  
EMISSIONS, AT THE CURRENT RATE  
OF \$0.0049 PER KILOWATT HOUR  
(KWH) FOR RESIDENTIAL  
CUSTOMERS, \$0.0009 PER KWH FOR  
COMMERCIAL CUSTOMERS, AND  
\$0.0003 PER KWH FOR INDUSTRIAL  
CUSTOMERS ON ELECTRICITY  
CONSUMED, FROM ITS CURRENT  
EXPIRATION OF MARCH 31, 2013,

THROUGH MARCH 31, 2018 AS A  
VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE  
CHANGE?

FOR THE MEASURE\_\_\_\_\_

AGAINST THE MEASURE \_\_\_\_\_

**Fiscal Information for Ballot Issue 2A –  
N/A as there is no increase in revenue**

**The following summaries were prepared  
from materials filed by persons in favor  
of or opposed to the ballot issue:**

**Those in favor say:**

Vote Yes on 2A, The Climate Action Plan  
Excise Tax on Carbon use.

Issue 2A is an extension of a tax that was  
passed by 60% of the Boulder voters in  
2006. The tax is on electrical use and use  
of the tax is to implement the Climate Action  
Plan. You do not pay the tax if you  
subscribe to Wind Power or have  
renewable energy source for your  
electricity. If the extension is approved it  
will expire on March 31, 2018. The tax rate,  
cost to citizens and businesses, and  
revenues will not change from the original  
2006 approval.

An average house hold will pay \$21 a year,  
an average commercial business will pay  
\$96 a year and an average industrial user  
will pay and average of \$9,600 a year. This  
is charged as part of your Xcel bill.

The 2006 CAP tax was evaluated by  
independent consultants who found that the  
tax has been used effectively and has  
stemmed the growth of greenhouse gas  
emissions, helped improve energy efficiency

of 4000 homes, 1800 rental units and 100 businesses. It has also helped earn Boulder one of the highest installed solar capacity in the US. Curb side composting was started as part of the tax efforts and solid waste emissions were reduced by 12.9% in 2010 alone. The tax is working!

If extended for 5 years the CAP tax will raise approximately \$1.8 million a year and will be used for enhanced commercial programs, enhanced residential programs, funding for creative thinking and innovation addressing our energy needs and renewable energy programs for all sectors. These areas of use were recommended by national consultants, The Bindle Group, as the ways that will yield the biggest reduction in greenhouse gas emissions.

Why should we do this? It will allow the city to continue with proven programs to reduce energy consumption, reduce carbon emissions, and save money spent on energy for businesses, home owners and renters. Boulder needs to do their part. Vote YES on 2A

**Those opposed say:**

No comments were received in opposition

**(i) Ballot title and text for Ballot Issue 2B:**

**BALLOT ISSUE NO. 2B**

**SALES AND USE TAX EXTENSION**

WITHOUT RAISING  
ADDITIONAL TAXES, SHALL

THE EXISTING 0.25 CENT  
CITY SALES AND USE TAX  
TO FUND PARKS AND  
RECREATIONAL SERVICES,  
DEVELOPMENT,  
RENOVATION AND  
REFURBISHMENT, AND  
PARKLAND ACQUISITION  
FOR PASSIVE AND ACTIVE  
RECREATIONAL USES,  
APPROVED BY THE VOTERS  
BY ORDINANCE NO. 5740, BE  
EXTENDED BEYOND THE  
CURRENT EXPIRATION DATE  
OF DECEMBER 31, 2015  
UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2035  
AS A VOTER APPROVED  
REVENUE CHANGE?

FOR THE MEASURE \_\_\_\_\_  
AGAINST THE MEASURE \_\_\_\_\_

**Fiscal Information for Ballot Issue 2A –  
N/A as there is no increase in revenue**

**The following summaries were prepared from materials filed by persons in favor of or opposed to the ballot issue:**

**Those in favor say:**

Voting Yes on Issue 2B will extend the existing Parks and Recreation Tax .25 cent sales tax for 20 years. The existing tax expires in 2015 and this will extend the tax until 2035.

This tax will allow the Parks and Recreation Department to develop the south area of Valmont City Park, to improve athletic fields (Stazio, Pleasant View and Foothills Community Park fields), to improve neighborhood and pocket parks, to upgrade the recreation centers and to develop a new aquatic facility and upgrade existing pools. It will also be used for upgrading of the Boulder Reservoir as well as maintenance of Parks and Recreation facilities. All of these projects have been approved in the master plan but need this additional funding to go forward.

The expiring tax was approved in 1995 and was used to purchase, and start the development, of Valmont Park; purchase and develop neighborhood parks; develop and renovate the recreation centers; purchase lands for the mountain parks and to develop the Foothill Community park. It also bought 350 acres in north Boulder. Approving the extension of the tax will allow the Parks and Recreation Department to continue to improve parks and facilities around the city as well as maintain those improvements.

The Parks Department has a long history of using sales tax proceeds for projects that residents enjoy today. This tax extension will allow the department to continue to meet the parks and recreation needs of the residents.

**Those opposed say:**

No comments were received in opposition to this measure

CITY OF LOUISVILLE

City of Louisville, Colorado  
Office of the City Clerk  
749 Main Street, Louisville, CO 80027  
303 335-4571

YES \_\_\_\_

NO \_\_\_\_

**NOTICE OF ELECTION FOR REVENUE  
CHANGES**

**Ballot Title and Text:**

**CITY OF LOUISVILLE BALLOT ISSUE 2A**

SHALL CITY OF LOUISVILLE TAXES BE INCREASED \$1,500,000 IN 2014 AND THEN ANNUALLY BY WHATEVER ADDITIONAL AMOUNTS ARE RAISED THEREAFTER FROM THE CONTINUATION OF THE SALES TAX OF 0.375 PERCENT BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2014 AND EXPIRING TEN YEARS AFTER SUCH DATE; WITH THE NET PROCEEDS OF SUCH SALES TAX TO BE COLLECTED, RETAINED AND SPENT EXCLUSIVELY FOR THE ACQUISITION OF LAND IN AND AROUND THE CITY OF LOUISVILLE FOR OPEN SPACE BUFFER ZONES, TRAILS, WILDLIFE HABITATS, WETLANDS PRESERVATION AND FUTURE PARKS; AND FOR THE DEVELOPMENT, CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF SUCH OPEN SPACE ZONES, TRAILS, WILDLIFE HABITATS, WETLANDS AND PARKS; AND SHALL THE CITY BE PERMITTED TO COLLECT, RETAIN AND EXPEND ALL REVENUES DERIVED FROM SUCH SALES TAX AS A VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE AND AN EXCEPTION TO LIMITS WHICH WOULD OTHERWISE APPLY UNDER ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION OR ANY OTHER LAW?

**Actual historical and current estimated  
fiscal year spending information:\***

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Fiscal Year Spending*</b>
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<b>2012 (estimated):</b>	<b>\$24,762,180</b>
<b>2011 (actual):</b>	<b>\$18,882,126</b>
<b>2010 (actual):</b>	<b>\$20,062,834</b>
<b>2009 (actual):</b>	<b>\$22,095,300</b>
<b>2008 (actual):</b>	<b>\$20,224,372</b>

<b>Overall Percentage Change from 2008 to 2012:</b>	<b>22.4%</b>
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<b>Overall Dollar Change from 2008 to 2012:</b>	<b>\$4,537,808</b>
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**\*Fiscal Year Spending does not include  
the enterprise or internal service funds or  
operating transfers between funds.**

**For first full fiscal year of each proposed  
tax increase, estimates of maximum dollar  
amount of each tax increase:**

**For Ballot Issue 2A  
(Fiscal Year 2014):  
\$1,500,000**

**Estimate of 2014 Fiscal Year Spending  
Without Increase:**

**Without Ballot Issue 2A Increase:**

**\$ 24,521,000**

**The following summaries were prepared from materials filed by persons in favor of or opposed to the ballot issue:**

**Summary of written comments “FOR”  
Ballot Issue 2A**

No written comments were filed with the election officer by the constitutional deadline.

**Summary of written comments  
“AGAINST” Ballot Issue 2A**

No written comments were filed with the election officer by the constitutional deadline.



**Town of Erie**

Boulder and Weld Counties, Colorado

**NOTICE OF ELECTION TO INCREASE TAXES  
AND DEBT**

**ON A REFERRED MEASURE**

**Ballot Title and Text:**

**TOWN OF ERIE BALLOT ISSUE NO. 2A:**

SHALL THE TOWN OF ERIE DEBT BE INCREASED BY NOT MORE THAN \$6,200,000, WITH A REPAYMENT COST OF NOT MORE THAN \$11,600,000, AND SHALL TOWN TAXES BE INCREASED NOT MORE THAN \$1,200,000 ANNUALLY TO REPAY SUCH DEBT, ALL FOR TOWN PUBLIC SAFETY PURPOSES, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING:

- ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, AND EQUIPPING OF A POLICE STATION AND MUNICIPAL COURT BUILDING AND ALL NECESSARY AND INCIDENTAL FACILITIES, EQUIPMENT AND COSTS,

AND SHALL THE MILL LEVY BE INCREASED IN ANY YEAR WITHOUT LIMITATION AS TO RATE AND AMOUNT SUFFICIENT TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF, PREMIUM, IF ANY, AND INTEREST ON SUCH DEBT OR ANY REFUNDING DEBT (OR TO CREATE A RESERVE FOR SUCH PAYMENT); SUCH DEBT TO BE EVIDENCED BY THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OR OTHER MULTIPLE FISCAL YEAR

FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS, TO 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 THREE PERCENT; AND SHALL THE TOWN BE AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE DEBT TO REFUND THE DEBT AUTHORIZED IN THIS QUESTION, PROVIDED THAT AFTER THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH REFUNDING DEBT THE TOTAL OUTSTANDING PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF ALL DEBT ISSUED PURSUANT TO THIS QUESTION DOES NOT EXCEED THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT SET FORTH ABOVE, AND PROVIDED FURTHER THAT ALL DEBT ISSUED BY THE TOWN PURSUANT TO THIS QUESTION IS ISSUED ON TERMS THAT DO NOT EXCEED THE REPAYMENT COSTS AUTHORIZED IN THIS QUESTION; 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?

# TOWN OF ERIE

## Total Town Fiscal Year Spending\*

### Fiscal Year

2012 (budgeted)     \$14,658,000

2011 (actual)        \$14,076,000

2010 (actual)        \$13,819,000

2009 (actual)        \$13,120,000

2008 (actual)        \*\$18,047,000

Overall percentage change  
from 2008 to 2012:                    (18.8)%

Overall dollar change from  
2008 to 2012:                         \$(3,389,000)

## Proposed Tax Increase

Town Estimate of the Maximum Dollar  
Amount of the Proposed Tax Increase For  
Fiscal Year 2013 (the First Full Fiscal Year  
of the Proposed Tax Increase): BALLOT  
ISSUE NO. 2A: \$1,200,000

Town Estimate of 2013 Fiscal Year  
Spending Without Proposed Tax Increase:  
\$14,967,000

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\* Decline in fiscal year spending from 2008 to 2012 is primarily due to the fluctuation in amounts received by the Town from various real estate development activities, which amounts have decreased dramatically since 2008.

## Information on Town's Proposed Debt

### TOWN OF ERIE BALLOT ISSUE NO. 2A:

Principal Amount of Proposed Bonds:

Not to exceed \$ 6,200,000

Maximum Annual Town Repayment Cost:

Not to exceed \$ 1,200,000

Total Town Repayment Cost:

Not to exceed \$11,600,000

### Information on Town's Current Debt<sup>1</sup>

Principal Amount	Outstanding	Debt:
\$16,440,000		

Maximum Annual	Repayment	Cost:
\$1,738,156		

Remaining Total	Repayment	Cost:
\$23,051,268		

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<sup>1</sup> Excluded from debt are enterprise and annual appropriation obligations.

**The following summaries were prepared from materials filed by persons in favor of or opposed to the ballot issue:**

**Summary of Written Comments FOR Ballot Issue No. 2A:**

The Town of Erie is asking voters to approve construction of a new police station and municipal court building in a central location on Town-owned property located at Telleen Avenue and County Line Road. The proposed 17,000 square foot facility replaces the outdated workspace at Town Hall with a functional and secure facility necessary in maintaining the safety of our growing community.

Today, Erie's 21-officer police force is shoe-horned into cramped, outdated space in Erie Town Hall. At the point where the Town needs to hire additional officers and a detective, there simply is not the room to provide a desk or workspace for those people.

All municipal court activities will be moved out of Town Hall and over to the police station, ensuring court records, the Town prosecutor, court clerk and judge remain in close proximity to police services.

The new police station and municipal court building has been in the planning stages for over three years. An independent needs assessments study and preliminary design have been completed and are available for public review, both at the Town Clerk's office (Town Hall, 645 Holbrook Street, Second Floor) and on the Town's web-site. The new facility has been designed to meet long term public health and safety needs in

accordance with the Town of Erie Comprehensive Plan.

The cost to construct the new police station and municipal court building is approximately \$6.2 million, which will be paid for using a voter-approved bond. Starting next year, the cost to the average homeowner will be a property tax increase of less than \$2 per month.

**Summary of Written Comments AGAINST Ballot Issue No. 2A:**

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

**ST. VRAIN VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**ST. VRAIN VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Designated Election Official for District:**

**Therese M. Schueler,  
395 South Pratt Parkway  
Longmont, CO 80501  
(303) 682-7201.**

**TO ALL REGISTERED VOTERS**

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

**ST. VRAIN VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
RE-1J IN**

**BOULDER, LARIMER, WELD AND  
BROOMFIELD COUNTIES, COLORADO**

**BALLOT TITLE:**

ST. VRAIN VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
RE-1J BALLOT ISSUE NO. 3A: ST. VRAIN  
VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1J MILL  
LEVY OVERRIDE TO MITIGATE STATE  
FUNDING CUTS TO MAINTAIN TEACHER  
AND STAFF POSITIONS, ATTRACT AND  
RETAIN HIGH QUALITY TEACHERS AND  
STAFF, AND TO UPGRADE  
TECHNOLOGY AND EXPAND/ENHANCE  
EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION.

**BALLOT TEXT:**

SHALL ST. VRAIN VALLEY SCHOOL  
DISTRICT RE-1J TAXES BE INCREASED  
\$14,800,000 IN TAX YEAR 2012 FOR  
COLLECTION IN YEAR 2013 (AND BY  
WHATEVER AMOUNTS MAY BE  
COLLECTED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER)  
FROM A MILL LEVY INCREASE NOT TO  
EXCEED 6.27 MILLS, AS DETERMINED  
ANNUALLY BY THE DISTRICT'S

GOVERNING BOARD, THE REVENUES  
FROM WHICH SHALL BE USED FOR  
EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES (WHICH  
INCLUDES THE DISTRICT'S EXISTING  
SIX CHARTER SCHOOLS), SUCH  
PURPOSES TO INCLUDE BUT ARE NOT  
LIMITED TO:

- MAINTAINING TEACHER POSITIONS  
AND REASONABLE CLASS SIZES,
- ATTRACTING AND RETAINING HIGH-  
QUALITY TEACHERS AND STAFF,
- UPGRADING TECHNOLOGY TO  
ENHANCE STUDENT LEARNING, AND
- EXPANDING AND ENHANCING  
EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION  
(PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN);

SUCH TAX INCREASE TO 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  
TO CONSTITUTE A VOTER APPROVED  
REVENUE CHANGE AND AN EXCEPTION  
TO THE LIMITS WHICH WOULD  
OTHERWISE APPLY?

**FISCAL INFORMATION:**

Actual historical and current estimated fiscal  
year spending information:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Fiscal Year Spending</u>
2007-2008 (actual)	\$153,355,636
2008-2009 (actual)	\$167,164,707
2009-2010 (actual)	\$193,102,886

## ST VRAIN VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

<u>Year</u>	<u>Fiscal Year Spending</u>
2010-2011 (actual)	\$199,908,752
2011-2012 (unaudited)	\$199,486,415

Overall percentage change in fiscal year spending over the five year period from 2007-2008 through 2011-2012: 23%

Overall dollar change in fiscal year spending over the five year period from 2007-2008 through 2011-2012: \$46,130,779

Estimated 2012-2013 fiscal year spending without taking into account the tax increase authorized by ballot issue 3A: \$210,634,943

Estimated 2012-2013 tax increase authorized by ballot issue 3A: \$14,800,000

### **Summaries of written comments on ballot issue 3A filed with the election officer:**

**The following summary was prepared from comments filed by persons FOR the issue:**

St. Vrain Valley School District has made incredible progress in recent years, with some of the best performing schools in the state and nation.

Our school district has three high schools that rank among the top 5% in the nation, our students outperform the state average in 93% of CSAP exams, and nearly 80% of our schools are ranked with the two highest academic accreditation levels.

Your investment in our local schools—and the incredible efforts of our students,

teachers, parents and staff—is why St. Vrain Valley School District has made such strong progress.

Unfortunately, state funding to our school district has been cut by more than \$20 million over the past three years. Per-pupil funding is lower now than it was three years ago, even with the 2008 mill levy override in place.

To balance its budget, St. Vrain Valley School District has made permanent cuts to administrative and central support—now just 2.9% of the district's total budget. This is one of the leanest administrative budgets of any district on the Front Range.

The district has also been forced to make cuts at the classroom level, including no longer funding technology and textbook replacement cycles, increasing student-teacher ratios for two consecutive years, and cutting budgets by 25% for classroom supplies, education materials and professional development.

Without additional local funding, another significant round of cuts will need to be made at the classroom level. St. Vrain Valley School District does not have a choice.

Your YES vote on Measure 3A will keep our schools moving forward, with 100% of our investment staying in our school district. NONE of the mill levy override money will go back to the state.

Passage of Measure 3A will provide funding in four critical areas:

- Recruiting and retaining highly qualified teachers and staff
- Maintaining class sizes

- Protecting pre-school and full-day kindergarten programs
- Maintaining instructional technology and rigorous programming

Passage of the mill levy override also offers our community benefits beyond the classroom. Quality schools are essential to attracting and retaining employers, professionals and young families. In fact, quality schools are among the top-three criteria of businesses seeking to relocate or expand.

Quality schools are also a key driver when it comes to property values and public safety.

3A is a monthly investment of \$4.16 per \$100,000 of a home's market value. It's a modest investment with significant returns for our kids and our community.

Your YES vote on Measure 3A will positively impact more than 27,000 children in the St. Vrain Valley School District, now and in years to come. These kids are our future and they deserve our support.

**The following summary was prepared from comments filed by persons AGAINST the issue:**

**VOTE NO ON 3A. IT'S BAD FOR KIDS, AND IT'S BAD FOR THE COMMUNITY**

Once again, the St. Vrain Valley School District (SVVSD) comes to taxpayers asking their approval of yet another tax increase. It has been proven that throwing more dollars into the education system does not provide improved outcomes. School districts with their insatiable appetite for more funding must learn to live within their means just as taxpayers must. Studies show the best way

to improve the quality of our children's education is to increase parental involvement. During this time of economic chaos is not the time to ask for more funding.

Here are the facts:

- 1) SVVSD taxes already too high:
  - a. Mill levy rates for the 19 school districts in Boulder County and Weld County range from 8.683 to 48.991. SVVSD taxpayers pay the highest rate in Boulder County, and the second-highest rate in Weld County, at 47.614.
  - b. The average (mean) of the 19 districts is 31.050, so SVVSD rate is already 53% above average.
- 2) Tried this before; didn't work:
  - a. Before the 2008 election, the SVVSD budget was \$264 million. We approved the mill levy override and the bond issue in 2008, and the total budget has averaged over \$400 million per year over the past two years.
  - b. In 2008, average SVVSD CSAP passing rate across all grade levels and topics for the general student population was just 4.4 percentage points above state average. Now, that small lead has declined to 3.6 percentage points.
  - c. In 2008, SVVSD ACT Reading was 0.87 points ahead of state average. Now, 0.18 points ahead.
  - d. 2008: SVVSD ACT Science 0.82 points ahead. Now, 0.19 points ahead.



- e. 2008: SVVSD ACT English 0.72 points ahead. Now, 0.39 points ahead.
- f. 2008: SVVSD ACT Math 0.28 points ahead. Now, 0.07 points BEHIND.
- g. 2008: SVVSD ACT overall was eighth best among state's 16 largest districts. Now, we have slipped to ninth.

3) Many ways to improve results and save money:

- a. Stop wasting money on basic textbooks and workbooks – put all simple things (spelling lists, vocabulary lists, math worksheets, etc.) online.
- b. End social promotion; show students that education matters.
- c. Stop paying worst teachers on same pay scale as best teachers.
- d. Stop giving increased pay based on sensitivity.
- e. End counterproductive practice of bonus funding for schools performing poorly.
- f. Trim non-teacher staff, especially in administration.

4) Would hurt local economy:

- a. Money spent on extra taxes could not be spent supporting local businesses.
- b. Money spent on extra taxes by businesses could not be used for hiring or raises.
- c. Many businesses and landlords would have to increase prices.
- d. High taxes tend to discourage new employers from locating here.

5) Would hurt students:

- a. Delays implementation of badly needed reforms.
- b. Takes money from parents, money that could directly help children.
- c. Sends bad message about passing on costs of irresponsible behavior to others.

**ALLENSPARK WATER & SANITATION DISTRICT**

**ALLENSPARK WATER & SANITATION  
DISTRICT**

**Designated Election Official for District:  
Andrew Griffiths  
P.O. Box 91  
Allenspark, CO 80510  
(303) 303-747-2715**

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

**ALLENSPARK WATER & SANITATION  
DISTRICT**

**BOULDER COUNTY, COLORADO**

**BALLOT TITLE AND TEXT:**

**ALLENSPARK WATER & SANITATION  
DISTRICT BALLOT ISSUE 5A**

WITHOUT INCREASING TAXES, SHALL THE ALLENSPARK WATER AND SANITATION DISTRICT BE AUTHORIZED TO COLLECT, RETAIN AND SPEND ALL REVENUES AND OTHER FUNDS FROM ANY REVENUE SOURCE (INCLUDING THOSE FROM STATE GRANTS, AUTHORIZED FEES AND CHARGES, AND PROPERTY TAXES), EFFECTIVE IN FISCAL YEAR 2012 AND CONTINUING THEREAFTER, AND SHALL THE REVENUES FROM ALL SUCH SOURCES BE SPENT AS VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGES AND AS AN EXCEPTION TO THE LIMITS WHICH WOULD OTHERWISE APPLY, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION, ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION, AND SECTION 29-1-301, C.R.S.?

**Summaries of written comments on  
ballot issue 5A filed with the election  
officer:**

The following summary was prepared from comments filed by persons FOR the issue:

I have been following the development of the sewage disposal system for Allenspark which I feel is a needed infrastructure. Given the small tax base of the District and the need to maximize all sources of income including grants, be they from whatever source, I support the passage of the ballot issue to exempt the District from the funding limitations imposed by the State Constitution.

I support the ballot issue in the coming election which will allow the district board to accept additional grant money to study a sewer system in Allenspark.

**The following summary was prepared  
from comments filed by persons  
AGAINST the issue:**

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.



**BOULDER MOUNTAIN FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

**BOULDER MOUNTAIN  
FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
Designated Election Official for District:**

**Joyce Colson  
1905 Linden Drive, Boulder, CO 80304  
(303) 440-0235**

**TO ALL REGISTERED VOTERS  
NOTICE OF ELECTION TO INCREASE  
TAXES ON A REFERRED MEASURE**

**BOULDER MOUNTAIN FIRE  
PROTECTION DISTRICT  
BOULDER COUNTY, COLORADO**

**BALLOT TITLE AND TEXT:**

BOULDER MOUNTAIN FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BALLOT ISSUE 5A: SHALL DISTRICT TAXES BE INCREASED BY \$150,000 (FIRST YEAR INCREASE) ANNUALLY, AND BY WHATEVER ADDITIONAL AMOUNTS ARE RAISED THEREAFTER, BY AN ADDITIONAL MILL LEVY OF NOT MORE THAN 2.723 MILLS, (FOR A TOTAL GENERAL OPERATING MILL LEVY OF 8.912 MILLS) COMMENCING IN TAX YEAR 2012 FOR COLLECTION IN FISCAL YEAR 2013, WITH SUCH PROCEEDS TO BE USED FOR GENERAL OPERATIONS, WHICH MAY INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:

- ATTRACTING, TRAINING AND RETAINING QUALIFIED PERSONNEL;
- CONTINUING TO PROVIDE QUICK RESPONSE TIME TO

- EMERGENCY INCIDENTS;
- PURCHASING NECESSARY EQUIPMENT AND VEHICLES TO SUPPORT FIREFIGHTERS;
- COVERING COST INCREASES FOR FUEL, MAINTENANCE, INSURANCE, PERSONNEL AND OTHER OPERATING COSTS;

AND SHALL SUCH TAX PROCEEDS BE COLLECTED AND SPENT BY THE DISTRICT AS A 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 OR SECTION 29-1-301, COLORADO REVISED STATUTES?

YES \_\_\_\_\_

NO \_\_\_\_\_

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

Year	Fiscal Year Spending
2008 (actual)	\$763,117
2009 (actual)	\$861,427
2010 (actual)	\$783,013
2011 (actual)	\$916,111
2012 (estimated)	\$848,646

## BOULDER MOUNTAIN FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Overall percentage change in fiscal year spending over the five year period from 2008 through 2012: 11.21%

Overall dollar change in fiscal year spending over the five year period from 2008 through 2012: \$85,529

Estimated 2013 fiscal year spending without taking into account the tax increase authorized by ballot issue 5A: \$872,107

Estimated 2013 tax increase authorized by ballot issue 5A: \$150,000

### **SUMMARIES OF WRITTEN COMMENTS ON BALLOT ISSUE 5A FILED WITH THE ELECTION OFFICER:**

**The following summary was prepared from comments filed by persons FOR the issue:**

Your YES Vote on Issue 5A is critical to maintain the current level of services provided by Boulder Mountain Fire Protection District to the residents.

BMFPD is the fire department that services Pine Brook Hills, Carriage Hills, Boulder Heights, and several adjacent communities. It provides emergency structure fire, wildland fire, rescue, and medical response services to over 1000 homes and 2000 residents who live in the heavily wooded, 13 square mile mountainous district.

BMFPD provides a very high level of service to its residents with quick response to 911 emergencies, mitigation services, and community awareness/assistance programs. BMFPD has not lost a home due to a wildfire in 20 years.

The largest source of BMFPD funding is property taxes and these tax revenues have been decreasing due to the reduction in assessed home values. In addition, government grants to fund equipment purchases and community mitigation projects have declined dramatically, as the fire hazard has substantially increased. The costs of performing BMFPD duties have been increasing due to higher fuel, insurance, maintenance, and personnel costs. The last time BMFPD had an increase in property taxes was in 2000. Over the years, the department has done a great job of managing its way through these cost increases but it has reached a point where it is starting to negatively impact the safety and security of district homeowners.

No one likes to see their property tax increase but the money to support the fire department is one tax that directly impacts your health, home, neighborhood and your insurance rates. BMFPD has worked hard by closely managing controllable expenses. This has gotten BMFPD through 12 years with no tax increases but time has run out.

The proposed property tax increase of 2.723 mills for a home in the district would result in the following increased tax bills for residents:

<u>Market Value</u>	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Tax Increase</u>
\$750,000	\$59,700	\$163
\$500,000	\$39,800	\$108
\$300,000	\$23,880	\$65

When you think about what it costs to fill up your car with gas these days it puts this increase in perspective. It's only about 30 cents a day more for the average home owner with a house valued at \$500K.

BMFPD's proposed new total mill rate of 8.912 (10.715 for the properties located in the water supply sub-district) would still be lower than all adjoining fire districts.

Four Mile Fire	12.000 mills
Left Hand Fire	11.022 mills
Boulder Rural Fire	11.747 mills
Sunshine Fire	12.040 mills

BMFPD provides an exceptional level of service to the community and the safety, health and welfare of its emergency responders and residents is priority one. The residents have come to expect this level of service and a vote of "**YES**" on this ballot issue will ensure that BMFPD is able to continue to meet or exceed this goal.

**The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons AGAINST the issue:**

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

## ROCKY MOUNTAIN FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

**Rocky Mountain Fire Protection District  
Designated Election Official for the  
District:**

**Law Offices of Frederick Huff  
12292 Bannock Circle, Unit F  
Westminster, CO 80234  
303-534-8318**

**Ballot Title and Text:**

BALLOT ISSUE 5A:

SHALL ROCKY MOUNTAIN FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT TAXES BE INCREASED \$1,397,930 (FIRST FISCAL YEAR DOLLAR INCREASE) A MILL LEVY INCREASE OF 4 MILLS, THEN INCREASED BY 1 MILL PER YEAR, FOR THE NEXT 4 YEARS, A TOTAL INCREASE OF 8 MILLS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES, MAINTENANCE COSTS OF THE DISTRICT, AND CAPITAL ASSET ACQUISITION.

YES \_\_\_

NO \_\_\_\_

**Fiscal Information**

**Total District Fiscal Spending**

2012	(estimated)	\$ 5,642,385
2011	(actual)	\$ 5,482,632
2010	(actual)	\$ 5,603,397
2009	(actual)	\$ 4,562,563
2008	(actual)	\$ 5,776,604

Overall Percentage Change  
from 2008-2012 <%>2% decrease

Overall Dollar change  
from 2008-2012 \$ 134,219 decrease

**District Estimates of Maximum Dollar  
Amount of Tax Increase and of District  
Fiscal Year Spending Without the  
Increase for First Full Fiscal Year of  
Proposed Tax Increase:**

Estimated Maximum Dollar Amount of Tax  
Increase for 2013 \$1,397,930

Estimated 2013 Fiscal Year Spending  
Without Proposed Tax Increase  
\$5,642,385

**Summary of Written Comments for the  
Proposal:**

Rocky Mountain Fire District provides fire protection, rescue, and emergency medical services 24 hours a day, seven days a week to a 65-square mile area which includes residential, rural, wildland, industrial, and commercial properties. Passage of 5A will help the District provide those services, keeping our homes and communities safe and reducing insurances rates. Rocky Mountain has a history of providing top-quality, cost-effective services while maintaining a low tax rate.

Rocky Mountain continues to experience significant growth, increasing the demand for services. Growth and higher service expectations have increased Rocky Mountain's operating costs. Unfortunately, revenue has not kept up with the increase in demand. The proposed tax increase is quite small, less than \$32.00 per \$100,000 of market value in the first year, and an

increase of 8 dollars for the next four years. A total of \$64.00 dollars.

Rocky Mountain has not asked for a tax increase for operation purposes in 7 years, since the consolidation of the District.

The District is asking for additional revenue in order to recruit and retain the best-qualified personnel, and improve facilities and equipment.

The funds from this mill levy increase will allow the District to be proactive, and have the necessary funds to pay for service improvements rather than relying on new debt for each and every project.

The funds will be used to:

- 1) Maintain and improve training for a 24-hour/7 day a week staff, allowing for faster response and increasing the necessary depth of service to the entire District.
- 2) Provide additional capabilities for urban wildland interface emergency services.
- 3) Continue to implement first response basic life support service, which is of particular benefit to those areas of the District where long ambulance response times exist.
- 4) Continue to decrease insurance costs for all areas of the District. Residential and commercial property owners throughout the District are expected to realize additional insurance savings.

It is imperative that the District's services, which now operate 24 hours a day, 7- days a week, have the resources to maintain service and response level to protect the lives of the residents and their property.

**Summary of Written Comments Against the Proposal:**

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

**THERE ARE TWO ADDITIONAL MAIL-BALLOT ELECTIONS BEING HELD ON NOVEMBER 6, 2012 WITH TABOR ISSUES THAT ARE NOT ON THE BOULDER COUNTY BALLOT:**

**CITY OF LONGMONT  
LONGMONT DOWNTOWN  
DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

**CITY OF LONGMONT BALLOT ISSUE  
2B: Bond Funding for Downtown  
Revitalization**

**Local Election Office Address and  
Telephone Number:**

Valeria Skitt, City Clerk  
City of Longmont  
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Longmont, Colorado 80501  
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**PROPOSED: TWIN PEAKS  
METROPOLITAN DISTRICT**

**TWIN PEAKS METROPOLITAN  
DISTRICT BALLOT ISSUES 5A  
THROUGH 5Q**

**Assistant Designated Election  
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