



# NOTICE OF ELECTION

## November 5, 2019 – Election Day Voting begins October 14

All active, registered voters will be mailed a ballot the week of October 14.

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

**You may not be eligible to vote on all issues presented in this notice.**

By law, this notice is mailed to each address with one or more active, registered electors.

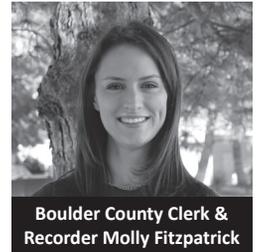


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Si necesita ayuda en Español, visite [www.BoulderCountyVotes.org](http://www.BoulderCountyVotes.org) o llame al 303-413-7740.

Dear Boulder County Voters:

Greetings from your Boulder County Clerk and Recorder's office! Our office is responsible for conducting the 2019 election for coordinating jurisdictions in Boulder County, and we are pleased to send you this booklet that contains information regarding tax or debt-related issues for those jurisdictions. We hope you find this information helpful.



We know that the elections process is of great and timely interest for community members in Boulder County. Our mission at the Elections Division is to conduct each election in the most accessible, accurate, and secure way possible. Our team of dedicated public servants is working diligently to fine-tune all our processes and plans to be successful in this endeavor.

We invite you to learn more or to see this work in action by attending a Ballot Processing Tour or an Elections Community Presentation. These events offer community members a glimpse into the work we do while providing a space to ask questions or provide feedback in person. You can find information about these events by visiting [www.BoulderCountyVotes.org](http://www.BoulderCountyVotes.org) or by following us on Facebook (@BoulderCountyClerk) or Twitter (@BoCoClerk).

We take great pride in being able to serve our community here in Boulder County and we are always open to your feedback on how we can continue to improve the process. Please share your thoughts with us at [Vote@BoulderCountyVotes.org](mailto:Vote@BoulderCountyVotes.org) or (303) 413-7740.

Lastly, if you need to register to vote or update your voter registration, you may do so by visiting [www.GoVoteColorado.com](http://www.GoVoteColorado.com) to ensure you receive a ballot in the mail. And if you have any questions about the elections process, please get in touch.

Thanks for being a voter,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Molly Fitzpatrick".

Molly Fitzpatrick, Boulder County Clerk & Recorder

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## **Be Election Ready!**

- ★ **Check your voter registration.** Make sure your address is current, especially if you have moved in the last year or have not voted recently. All active registered voters get a ballot in the mail. Ballots are mailed the week of October 14. **Check your registration at [www.GoVoteColorado.com](http://www.GoVoteColorado.com).**
- ★ **Track your mail ballot.** Visit [www.BoulderCountyVotes.org](http://www.BoulderCountyVotes.org) to sign up for Ballot Track to receive messages by email, text, or phone when your mail ballot has been printed, mailed, and then received back by Boulder County Elections during election periods.
- ★ **In-person voting is available.** If you would like to vote in-person or need additional assistance with voting, a list of Voter Service and Polling Centers is on page 11 and will also be included in your mail ballot packet.
- ★ **Vote early.** Once you decide how to vote, return your voted mail ballot. Voting early helps reduce campaign phone calls and helps the county process ballots throughout the election period rather than on just one night.
- ★ **Traveling?** If you need your ballot sent to a location other than your voter registration address, then you must change your mailing (not registration) address as soon as possible. The last day to request a change of mailing address is October 28, 2019, in order to receive a ballot in the mail. Remember to update your mailing address after the election.



## About this TABOR Notice:

**Who gets this TABOR Booklet:** This booklet is mailed to each address with one or more active, registered voters whose ballots include at least one TABOR ballot issue. However, receiving this book does not guarantee you are registered or that your registration is current. Additionally, you may not be eligible to vote on all issues presented in this notice.

**What is included:** This booklet contains summary statements for ballot issues as required by the State of Colorado Constitution, Article X, Section 20 for ballot issues appearing on the 2019 Coordinated Election ballot. The information contained in this notice was prepared by persons required by law to provide summaries of ballot issues and fiscal information. A “yes” vote on any ballot issue is a vote in favor of changing current law or existing circumstances, and a “no” vote on any ballot issue is a vote against changing current law or existing circumstances.

**What is not included:** This booklet does not contain information on statewide ballot questions or any candidate information. Information on statewide measures and judge retention, if applicable, can be found in the State Ballot Information Booklet (commonly referred to as the “Blue Book”) mailed by the State of Colorado. ***For complete ballot content, please visit [www.BoulderCountyVotes.org](http://www.BoulderCountyVotes.org).***

## TABOR NOTICE

**TO ALL REGISTERED VOTERS – Boulder County, Colorado**

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

Election Date: November 5, 2019 • Deadline for Receipt of Ballots: November 5, 2019 at 7 p.m. Postmarks do not count.

Voter Service and Polling Centers open Election Day from 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Boulder County Clerk’s Main Office: 1750 33rd Street, Boulder, CO 80301

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## **CITY OF BOULDER**

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

**Election Date:** Tuesday, November 5, 2019

**Election Hours:** 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

**Designated Election Official:**

Lynnette Beck, City Clerk  
1777 Broadway, P.O. Box 791  
Boulder, CO 80302  
Phone: (303) 441-4222

### **CITY OF BOULDER BALLOT ISSUE 2G TAX ON TOBACCO VAPING PRODUCTS**

SHALL CITY OF BOULDER TAXES BE INCREASED TWO MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (FIRST FULL FISCAL YEAR INCREASE) ANNUALLY BY IMPOSING A SALES AND USE TAX OF UP TO 40 PERCENT OF THE RETAIL SALES PRICE OF ALL ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICES, INCLUDING ANY REFILL, CARTRIDGE OR COMPONENT OF SUCH A PRODUCT; THE TERM “ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICE” SHALL HAVE THE MEANING AS IN SECTION 6-4.5-1 OF THE BOULDER REVISED CODE; AND IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, SHALL ALL OF THE REVENUES COLLECTED BE USED TO FUND: THE ADMINISTRATIVE COST OF THE TAX, AND THEREAFTER FOR: IMPLEMENTATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF A LICENSING PROGRAM FOR

ALL NICOTINE PRODUCT RETAILERS; HEALTH PROMOTION; EDUCATION PROGRAMS REGARDING NICOTINE PRODUCT USE INCLUDING ENFORCEMENT; WITH ANY REMAINING FUNDS BEING AVAILABLE FOR GENERAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES, INCLUDING LIBRARY, POLICE, FIRE, PARKS, TRANSPORTATION AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION? ALL EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2020, AND IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, SHALL THE FULL PROCEEDS OF SUCH TAXES AT SUCH RATES AND ANY EARNINGS THEREON BE COLLECTED, RETAINED, AND SPENT, AS A VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE WITHOUT LIMITATION OR CONDITION, AND WITHOUT LIMITING THE COLLECTION, RETENTION, OR SPENDING OF ANY OTHER REVENUES OR FUNDS BY THE CITY OF BOULDER UNDER ARTICLE X SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION OR ANY OTHER LAW?

YES/FOR \_\_\_\_\_

NO/AGAINST \_\_\_\_\_

### **FISCAL INFORMATION**

#### **Actual Historical and Current Estimated Fiscal Year Spending**

Year	Fiscal Year Spending
2019 (estimated)	\$279,368,000
2018 (actual)	\$292,197,000
2017 (actual)	\$276,886,000
2016 (actual)	\$241,412,000
2015 (actual)	\$230,212,000

# CITY OF BOULDER (Continued)

Overall percentage change in fiscal year spending over the five-year period from 2015 to 2019: 21.4%

Overall dollar change in fiscal year spending over the five-year period from 2015 through 2019: \$49,156,000

### Proposed District Tax Increase

Estimated maximum dollar amount of proposed tax increase in first full fiscal year: \$2,500,000

Estimated first full fiscal year spending without the increase: \$275,138,000

### SUMMARY OF COMMENTS FOR THE ISSUE

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

### SUMMARY OF COMMENTS AGAINST THE ISSUE

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

## CITY OF BOULDER BALLOT ISSUE 2H SALES AND USE TAX EXTENSION FOR OPEN SPACE AND LONG'S GARDENS

WITHOUT RAISING ADDITIONAL TAXES, SHALL THE EXISTING 0.15 CENT CITY SALES AND USE TAX FOR TRANSPORTATION PURPOSES, APPROVED BY THE VOTERS BY ORDINANCE NO. 7913, BE EXTENDED BEYOND THE CURRENT EXPIRATION DATE OF DECEMBER 31, 2019 UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2039; AND BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2020 UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2039 DESIGNATING THE REVENUES COLLECTED TO FUND THE MAINTENANCE, RESTORATION, ACQUISITION AND PRESERVATION OF OPEN SPACE LAND INCLUDING THE USE OF FUNDS GENERATED IN THE FIRST YEAR TO PURCHASE A CONSERVATION EASEMENT AT LONG'S GARDENS LOCATED AT 3240 BROADWAY AS A VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE?

YES/FOR \_\_\_\_\_ NO/AGAINST \_\_\_\_\_

### FISCAL INFORMATION

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

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### SUMMARY OF COMMENTS FOR THE ISSUE

This ballot measure will help preserve and protect our magnificent mountain backdrop and open space in and around the city, including over 45,000 acres of land and 155 miles of trails. These lands are critical habitat for hundreds of native species, from rare plants to cliff-dwelling raptors. They are also what makes Boulder such a special place to live.

Ballot measure 2H extends an expiring city sales tax of 0.15 cents per \$100 and dedicates the revenue to City of Boulder Open Space and Mountain Parks for 20 years. This measure does not increase sales taxes.

Maintaining City of Boulder open space has become increasingly difficult, due to the growing number of users and environmental threats. City of Boulder open space had 6,250,000 visits in 2017 – more than Rocky Mountain National Park. Climate change is also driving up open space costs, through impacts such as increased wildfires and the 2013 floods.

Despite this, funding for open space has been cut and is projected to fall more if measure 2H is not adopted. The Open Space Master Plan projected that funding for the open space program would decline by \$10 million – over 30 percent – between 2018 and 2020. Measure 2H will keep the reduction under \$5 million per year. In the past, city leaders and voters assumed that open space funding needs would decline as the opportunities to buy land were exhausted. But in 2019, funds are still needed to acquire some key pieces of property, and the cost to maintain current property has increased sharply. Measure 2H will help the city achieve more of the goals outlined in the Open Space Master Plan.

This measure will also enable the city to preserve the Long's Gardens property as farmland. Just one mile north of downtown Boulder, this 25-acre property is home to the Long family's historic iris farm and two nonprofits. Thousands of Boulder residents each year benefit from community garden plots, local food production, and agricultural programs on the property. The first year of tax revenue from measure 2H will be used to purchase a conservation easement on the Long's Gardens property, ensuring the land can never be subdivided or developed. This will also ensure the bike path through the property along Farmer's ditch, a critical north-south bike corridor, remains accessible to the public in perpetuity.

More than 120 years ago, residents of Boulder began protecting our spectacular mountain landscape. Then, 52 years ago, Boulder became the first city in the nation to approve a tax to buy, manage, and maintain open space lands around the city. Our innovative public lands legacy protects vulnerable ecosystems and promotes environmental stewardship. The city's trails, facilities and education programs allow people of all ages and abilities to explore nature in one of the most beautiful and iconic settings in America. By approving measure 2H, voters can help preserve this legacy for future generations.

**SUMMARY OF COMMENTS AGAINST THE ISSUE**

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

**CITY OF BOULDER BALLOT ISSUE 21  
IMPOSITION OF A MIDDLE-INCOME HOUSING PROGRAM**

SHALL CITY OF BOULDER DEBT BE INCREASED BY AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000,000, WITH A MAXIMUM REPAYMENT COST OF NOT TO EXCEED \$15,000,000, WITHOUT RAISING TAXES, TO PROVIDE FOR A HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM THAT WILL INCLUDE PERMANENTLY AFFORDABLE DEED RESTRICTIONS AND MAKE LOANS TO MIDDLE-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS TO PURCHASE HOMES SOLD IN BOULDER, SUCH DEBT TO BE SOLD AT SUCH TIME AND IN SUCH MANNER AND CONTAIN SUCH TERMS, NOT INCONSISTENT HERewith, AS THE CITY COUNCIL MAY DETERMINE AND TO PAY ALL NECESSARY OR INCIDENTAL COSTS RELATED THERETO BY THE ISSUANCE AND PAYMENT OF NOTES, BONDS, LINES OF CREDIT OR OTHER DEBT OBLIGATIONS AS PROVIDED BY THE CITY CHARTER, WHICH OBLIGATIONS SHALL BE PAYABLE FROM THE GENERAL FUND AND ANY OTHER LEGALLY AVAILABLE FUNDS OF THE CITY, ALL WITHOUT IN ANY OTHER WAY AFFECTING THE CITY'S OTHER TAXES, REVENUES OR EXPENDITURES UNDER THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THIS STATE?

YES/FOR \_\_\_\_\_ NO/AGAINST \_\_\_\_\_

**FISCAL INFORMATION**

**Actual Historical and Current Estimated Fiscal Year Spending**

Year	Fiscal Year Spending
2019 (estimated)	\$279,368,000
2018 (actual)	\$292,197,000
2017 (actual)	\$276,886,000
2016 (actual)	\$241,412,000
2015 (actual)	\$230,212,000

Overall percentage change in fiscal year spending over the five-year period from 2015 to 2019: 21.4%

Overall dollar change in fiscal year spending over the five-year period from 2015 through 2019: \$49,156,000

**Proposed Bonded Debt**

Proposed Principal Amount:	\$10,000,000
Maximum Annual Repayment Cost:	\$10,500,000
Total Repayment Cost:	\$15,000,000

**Current District Bonded Debt**

Principal Amount Outstanding:	\$56,765,000
Maximum Annual Repayment Cost:	\$7,278,173
Total Repayment Cost:	\$70,482,078

**SUMMARY OF COMMENTS FOR THE ISSUE**

The City of Boulder has done a good job creating and preserving housing for low-income families. But, there are few tools available to assist middle-income households. Middle-income housing opportunities are growing increasingly scarce in Boulder for families earning between 60% and 120% of the area median income, or about \$68,000 to \$136,000 for a family of four. Because housing prices in Boulder have risen faster than incomes, it is often difficult for these middle-income families to save enough for the down payment to buy a home, making fewer houses affordable to them with conventional financing.

Ballot Measure 21 will give the City of Boulder the authority to borrow up to \$10 million to pilot a down payment assistance program for middle-income families who work in Boulder, but who cannot afford to live here. There will be no new taxes required to support the program, with the cost to the city being minimal.

Under the pilot program, the city will borrow money from a bank and re-loan the funds to qualifying homebuyers, helping them bridge the gap between what they have saved and the amount they can borrow using a conventional mortgage. The city's loan will be protected by a second mortgage on the property, with re-payment of principal and interest deferred until the home is sold or after a set time. When a program participant repays the loan to the city, with interest, the city will use these funds to repay to the bank what it has borrowed. Thus, the cost to the city will be nominal and the city is not seeking to increase taxes to fund the program.

To qualify for the program, the homebuyer must have worked in Boulder for at least two years, must meet income and wealth tests, must make a minimum down payment of five percent, and must purchase a home that is at or below the Boulder median price for homes of that type. To expand our affordable housing stock and to ensure that the home is affordable to middle-income families in perpetuity, the program participant will agree to deed-restrict the home with an appreciation cap. The ballot measure provides flexibility to adjust terms to meet program goals in the face of changing market conditions. More information can be found at: <https://bouldercolorado.gov/pages/middle-income-down-payment-assistance>.

The program will help us reach our goal of ensuring that 15% of Boulder's housing stock is permanently affordable to low and middle income families by 2035. If, for example, the average amount of a down payment assistance loan by the city is \$100,000 per home, this \$10 million pilot program could ensure that 100 homes in Boulder become permanently affordable to middle-income families. And, it will give more people the chance to live near where they work, reducing in-commuting and greenhouse gas emissions.

**SUMMARY OF COMMENTS AGAINST THE ISSUE**

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

# CITY OF LONGMONT

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

**Election Date:** Tuesday, November 5, 2019

**Election Hours:** 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

### Designated Election Official:

Dawn Quintana, City Clerk  
350 Kimbark St.  
Longmont, CO 80501  
Phone: (303) 651-8649

## CITY OF LONGMONT BALLOT ISSUE 3B

AUTHORIZING \$45,500,000 OF REVENUE BONDS AND A SALES AND USE TAX RATE INCREASE OF .18% TO FUND A COMPETITIVE POOL AND ICE RINK.

SHALL THE CITY OF LONGMONT DEBT BE INCREASED IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$45,500,000, WITH A TOTAL REPAYMENT COST OF NOT TO EXCEED \$72,260,000 AND SHALL CITY TAXES BE INCREASED \$4,650,000 IN THE FIRST FULL FISCAL YEAR AND BY SUCH AMOUNTS AS ARE RAISED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER BY INCREASING THE CITY SALES AND USE TAX RATE FROM 3.53 PERCENT TO 3.71 PERCENT, WHICH IS AN INCREASE OF ONE AND EIGHT ONE HUNDREDTH CENTS ON EACH TEN DOLLAR PURCHASE, BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2020, SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING:

THE PROCEEDS OF THE DEBT WILL BE USED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A COMPETITIVE POOL AND ICE RINK;

THE TAX REVENUES WILL BE USED FOR THE PAYMENT OF SUCH DEBT AND FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE COMPETITIVE POOL AND ICE RINK; PROVIDED THAT ON THE EARLIER OF JANUARY 1, 2040 OR THE DATE THE DEBT IS PAID, THE TAX RATE INCREASE AUTHORIZED BY THIS QUESTION WILL DECREASE FROM .18 PERCENT TO .03 PERCENT AND THE TAX REVENUES WILL BE USED SOLELY FOR OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE COMPETITIVE POOL AND ICE RINK;

THE DEBT MAY BE PAID FROM SUCH LEGALLY AVAILABLE REVENUES, BEAR INTEREST, AND BE SOLD IN ONE SERIES OR MORE AT A PRICE ABOVE, BELOW OR EQUAL TO THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF SUCH BONDS AND WITH SUCH TERMS AND CONDITIONS, INCLUDING PROVISIONS FOR REDEMPTION PRIOR TO MATURITY WITH OR WITHOUT PAYMENT OF PREMIUM, ALL AS THE CITY COUNCIL MAY DETERMINE; AND

SHALL THE PROCEEDS FROM SUCH TAX AND DEBT PROCEEDS AND ANY INVESTMENT INCOME EARNED FROM SUCH PROCEEDS BE COLLECTED AND SPENT AS A VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE UNDER SECTION 20 OF ARTICLE X OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION?

## FISCAL INFORMATION

### Actual Historical and Current Estimated City of Longmont Fiscal Year Spending

Year	Fiscal Year Spending
2019 (estimated)	\$ 176,928,932
2018 (actual)	\$ 161,767,392
2017 (actual)	\$ 146,803,888
2016 (actual)	\$ 131,433,211
2015 (actual)	\$ 118,650,882

Overall percentage change in fiscal year spending over the five-year period from 2015 to 2019: 49.1%

Overall dollar change in fiscal year spending over the five-year period from 2015 through 2019: \$ 58,278,050

### Proposed City of Longmont Tax Increase

Estimated maximum dollar amount of proposed tax increase in first full fiscal year: \$ 4,650,000

Estimated first full fiscal year spending without the increase: \$ 199,432,521

### Proposed City of Longmont Debt

Proposed Principal Amount:	\$ 45,500,000
Maximum Annual Repayment Cost:	\$ 4,650,000
Total Repayment Cost:	\$ 72,260,000

### Current City of Longmont Bonded Debt

Principal Amount Outstanding:	\$ 57,335,000
Maximum Annual Repayment Cost:	\$ 4,692,818
Total Repayment Cost:	\$ 68,308,850

## SUMMARY OF COMMENTS FOR THE ISSUE

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

## SUMMARY OF COMMENTS AGAINST THE ISSUE

Longmont does not need either an Olympic size competitive pool or a National Hockey League size sheet of ice. It needs an additional recreation center similar to the one on Quail Road with expanded swim lanes. A Quail Road type facility would cost approximately half of the amount estimated for the proposed swim/ice facility.

Longmont residents with higher incomes may not be concerned with impacts from an increase in sales and use tax rates. However, lower income residents should not be saddled with higher sales and use tax rates to pay for facilities they will seldom if ever use. Sales and use taxes are the most regressive form of tax.

# CITY OF LONGMONT (Continued)

## CITY OF LONGMONT BALLOT ISSUE 3C

EXTENSION OF 0.75% SALES AND USE TAX FOR STREETS AND TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS.

WITHOUT INCREASING TAX RATES OR IMPOSING ANY NEW TAX, SHALL THE CITY OF LONGMONT'S EXISTING 0.75% SALES AND USE TAX FOR STREETS AND TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS, CURRENTLY SET TO SUNSET IN 2026, BE EXTENDED INDEFINITELY FOR THE PURPOSES OF FUNDING

STREET REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE, MULTI-MODAL IMPROVEMENTS, CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS, SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS AND OTHER INFRASTRUCTURE?

### SUMMARY OF COMMENTS FOR THE ISSUE

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

### SUMMARY OF COMMENTS AGAINST THE ISSUE

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

# CITY OF LOUISVILLE

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

**Election Date:** Tuesday, November 5, 2019

**Election Hours:** 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

### Designated Election Official:

Meredyth Muth, City Clerk

749 Main Street

Louisville, CO 80027

Phone: (303) 335-4536

## CITY OF LOUISVILLE BALLOT ISSUE 2D RETAIL MARIJUANA CULTIVATION FACILITY EXCISE TAX

SHALL CITY OF LOUISVILLE TAXES BE INCREASED BY \$200,000 IN 2020 (THE FIRST FULL FISCAL YEAR OF SUCH TAX INCREASE) AND BY WHATEVER ADDITIONAL AMOUNTS ARE RAISED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER, BY IMPOSING, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2020, A NEW TAX ON THE FIRST SALE OR TRANSFER OF UNPROCESSED MARIJUANA BY A RETAIL MARIJUANA CULTIVATION FACILITY AT THE RATE OF FIVE PERCENT (5%) OF THE AVERAGE MARKET RATE, WHICH IS THE AVERAGE PRICE OF UNPROCESSED RETAIL MARIJUANA THAT IS SOLD OR TRANSFERRED FROM A RETAIL MARIJUANA CULTIVATION FACILITY, WITH THE TAX REVENUES BEING USED TO PAY OR REIMBURSE THE CITY FOR DIRECT AND INDIRECT COSTS INCURRED OR EXPENDED BY THE CITY FOR TRAINING, ENFORCEMENT, AND ADMINISTRATION OF ALL APPLICABLE MARIJUANA LAWS AND REGULATIONS, TO SUPPORT LOCAL DRUG AND ALCOHOL PROGRAMS AND FACILITIES, AND FOR OTHER GENERAL PURPOSES OF THE CITY; WITH THE RATE OF THE TAX BEING ALLOWED TO BE INCREASED OR DECREASED WITHOUT FURTHER VOTER APPROVAL SO LONG AS THE RATE OF TAXATION DOES NOT EXCEED TEN PERCENT (10%), IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANY ORDINANCES HEREAFTER APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOUISVILLE; PROVIDED THAT ANY SUCH TAX SHALL BE IMPOSED ONLY IF RETAIL MARIJUANA CULTIVATION FACILITIES ARE PERMITTED WITHIN THE CITY; AND SHALL THE CITY BE AUTHORIZED TO COLLECT AND SPEND SUCH REVENUE AS A VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE UNDER ARTICLE X SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION, AND SHALL ORDINANCE NO. 1776, SERIES 2019, WHICH IMPOSES THE TAX, BE APPROVED?

## FISCAL INFORMATION

### Actual Historical and Current Estimated Fiscal Year Spending

Year	Fiscal Year Spending
2019 (estimated)	\$43,277,610
2018 (actual)	\$38,132,787
2017 (actual)	\$33,739,748
2016 (actual)	\$30,448,475
2015 (actual)	\$27,973,744

Overall percentage change in fiscal year spending over the five-year period from 2015 to 2019: 55%

Overall dollar change in fiscal year spending over the five-year period from 2015 through 2019: \$15,303,866

### Proposed District Tax Increase

Estimated maximum dollar amount of proposed tax increase in first full fiscal year: \$200,000

Estimated first full fiscal year spending without the increase: \$54,000,000

### SUMMARY OF COMMENTS FOR THE ISSUE

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

### SUMMARY OF COMMENTS AGAINST THE ISSUE

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

## CITY OF LOUISVILLE BALLOT ISSUE 2E RETENTION OF RECREATION TAX REVENUES

WITHOUT CREATING ANY NEW TAX OR INCREASING ANY CURRENT TAX RATE, MAY THE CITY OF LOUISVILLE KEEP REVENUES THAT OTHERWISE WOULD BE REFUNDED FOR EXCEEDING ESTIMATES INCLUDED IN THE ELECTION NOTICE MAILED TO VOTERS FOR THE 2016 VOTER-APPROVED 0.15 PERCENT INCREASE IN SALES AND USE TAX, WHETHER OR NOT SUCH REVENUES HAVE ALREADY BEEN SPENT, AND CONTINUE TO COLLECT THE TAX AT THE PREVIOUSLY APPROVED RATE, AND SPEND ALL REVENUES COLLECTED FOR OPERATING AND MAINTAINING THE LOUISVILLE RECREATION/SENIOR CENTER AND POOL FACILITIES AT MEMORY SQUARE PARK?

# CITY OF LOUISVILLE (Continued)

## SUMMARY OF COMMENTS FOR THE ISSUE

- Ballot Issue 2E, also known as the “Rec Tax,” is not a new tax.
- 2E authorizes the continuation of a 0.15% sales tax passed in 2016.
- This tax amounts to less than two cents on a \$10 purchase.
- 2E enables the City of Louisville to keep the tax revenue collected to date.

The Rec Tax is a key piece of the overall financial plan to support the renovation and expansion of the Louisville Recreation and Senior Center and the Memory Square Pool. It was approved by over 61% of Louisville voters in 2016. This sales tax was intended to fund the operation and maintenance of the new and expanded additions to these facilities. It also pays for new senior, youth, and adult programming and equipment replacement.

The 2016 projection for the Rec Tax was \$575,000 per year. When the Rec Tax was first collected in 2018, the revenue was \$275,000 higher than the 2016 projection. The higher amount collected came from several factors, including the replacement

of roofs and vehicles after the massive 2018 hailstorm in Louisville which resulted in unusually high numbers of large, taxable purchases.

The Taxpayer Bill of Rights (TABOR) has specific legal requirements. Consequently, in the first year of collection, if a City collects more tax revenue than previously projected, the City may need to forfeit all the revenue collected. This includes not just the over collection but also any future revenues from the tax ***unless the voters reapprove that tax a second time.***

If the Rec Tax is not reapproved this second time, the consequences are immediate. The City might have to eliminate some senior, youth and adult recreation programs; reduce building and pool hours; reduce building and pool maintenance; delay equipment replacement; increase admission and program fees; or cut other existing or proposed City programs and projects.

**VOTE YES on REC. It just makes sense to keep the existing tax in place to keep great programs and facilities healthy.**

## SUMMARY OF COMMENTS AGAINST THE ISSUE

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

# FOUR MILE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

## TO ALL REGISTERED VOTERS

### NOTICE OF ELECTION ON A REFERRED MEASURE

**Election Date:** Tuesday, November 5, 2019  
**Election Hours:** 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

#### Designated Election Official:

Douglas L. Ray, Designated Election Official  
4367 Fourmile Canyon Drive  
Boulder, CO 80302  
Phone: (303) 449-4277

### FOUR MILE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BALLOT ISSUE 6B - GALLAGHER REVENUE STABILIZATION

WITHOUT IMMEDIATELY INCREASING TAXES, AND ONLY IF THE RESIDENTIAL ASSESSMENT RATE IS REDUCED BELOW THE CURRENT RATE OF 7.15% ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 3 OF ARTICLE X OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION (COMMONLY KNOWN AS THE GALLAGHER AMENDMENT) AND ONLY IF ANY SUCH RESIDENTIAL ASSESSMENT RATE REDUCTION RESULTS IN A DECREASE IN DISTRICT TAX REVENUES FROM THE DISTRICT VOTER-APPROVED MILL LEVY, SHALL THE FOUR MILE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT (DISTRICT) BE PERMITTED TO INCREASE ITS CURRENT AND FUTURE PROPERTY TAX MILL LEVY TO OFFSET ANY SUCH DECREASE IN REVENUES THAT MAY ADVERSELY AFFECT FIRE, RESCUE, AND EMERGENCY SERVICES, AS DETERMINED BY THE DISTRICT’S BOARD OF DIRECTORS; AND SHALL ALL REVENUES RESULTING FROM ANY INCREASE IN ITS

CURRENT AND FUTURE PROPERTY TAX MILL LEVY BE COLLECTED AND SPENT BY THE DISTRICT AS VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE AND SPENDING CHANGES IN EACH YEAR, WITHOUT REGARD TO ANY CONSTITUTIONAL OR STATUTORY SPENDING OR REVENUE RESTRICTIONS OR LIMITATIONS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THOSE CONTAINED IN SECTION 20 OF ARTICLE X OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION, SECTION 29-1-301, COLORADO REVISED STATUTES, OR ANY OTHER LAW, AND WITHOUT LIMITING, IN ANY YEAR, THE AMOUNT OF OTHER REVENUE THAT MAY BE COLLECTED AND SPENT BY THE DISTRICT?

YES/FOR \_\_\_\_\_ NO/AGAINST \_\_\_\_\_

## FISCAL INFORMATION

### Actual Historical and Current Estimated Fiscal Year Spending

Year	Fiscal Year Spending
2019 (estimated)	\$507,000
2018 (actual)	\$466,157
2017 (actual)	\$556,503
2016 (actual)	\$602,382
2015 (actual)	\$602,960

Overall percentage change in fiscal year spending over the five-year period from 2015 to 2019: -15.9%

Overall dollar change in fiscal year spending over the five-year period from 2015 through 2019: -\$95,960

## FOUR MILE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT (Continued)

Estimated maximum dollar amount of proposed tax extension in first full fiscal year: \$0.00

Estimated first full fiscal year spending without the tax extension authorized by ballot issue 6B: \$502,000

### SUMMARY OF COMMENTS FOR BALLOT ISSUE 6B:

This ballot issue is NOT asking for additional taxes - only that the tax revenue collected by the fire district be predictable and stable. In 1982, Colorado voters passed the Gallagher Amendment to the Colorado Constitution. The purpose of this amendment was to set a specific policy for determining actual value and assessed value of property in relation to the collection of property taxes within the State of Colorado. The Gallagher Amendment was meant as a Constitutional protection on property taxes for home owners and renters by fixing the percentage of total property tax revenue paid by residential properties as opposed to those paid by non-residential properties like businesses. While this works in cities and towns with a mixture of residential and non-residential property, it has had an unintended and very negative impact on entities such as fire districts and other small governments in areas with little or no non-residential property - like Four Mile. The yearly reduction in the percentage attributed to

residential property (from 30% in 1982 to 7.15% today) has had a constant ratcheting down effect on the revenues of fire districts, causing those governments' tax revenues to drop in ever-changing and unpredictable amounts from year to year - which makes budgeting extremely problematic. Even Dennis Gallagher has recognized the unintended negative impact of his own Gallagher Amendment on fire departments. This initiative is modeled on one of his proposed "fixes", which is commonly known as de-Gallagherizing. Approval of this initiative will enable our fire district to stabilize its revenue collections and to be able to continue its current service levels for Four Mile residents. The Four Mile Fire Protection District has a dedicated group of volunteers and crew members that responds to over 120 calls each year, including fires, medical emergencies, and auto accidents. They also provide wildfire mitigation services to our community at no charge to residents. If passed, this ballot measure would stabilize the Fire District's tax revenues and allow a continuation of the high levels of critical services and quick response times which we presently deserve and expect . . . with NO ADDITIONAL COST to Four Mile community members.

### SUMMARY OF COMMENTS AGAINST BALLOT ISSUE 6B:

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

## LOUISVILLE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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

**Election Date:** Tuesday, November 5, 2019

**Election Hours:** 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

#### Designated Election Official:

Jackie Fry, Designated Election Official  
895 Via Appia Way  
Louisville, CO 80027  
Phone: 303-666-6595, Extension 200

### Louisville Fire Protection District Ballot Issue 6A

SHALL LOUISVILLE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT TAXES BE INCREASED \$2,819,326.00 (FIRST FULL FISCAL YEAR DOLLAR INCREASE) ANNUALLY, BEGINNING IN LEVY YEAR 2019 (FOR COLLECTION IN CALENDAR YEAR 2020) BY INCREASING THE DISTRICT'S EXISTING PROPERTY TAX BY 3.90 MILLS, TO ENABLE THE DISTRICT TO CONTINUE PROVIDING CRITICAL FIRE, RESCUE AND OTHER EMERGENCY AND NON-EMERGENCY SUPPORT SERVICES FOR THE RESIDENTS, PROPERTY OWNERS, AND BUSINESSES SERVED BY THE DISTRICT, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

- ADDING A SECOND, FULL-TIME ENGINE CREW TO IMPROVE RESPONSE TIMES AND PROTECT EMERGENCY SERVICES;
- SCHEDULED REPLACEMENT OF EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT AND APPARATUS TO MAINTAIN RELIABILITY AND PROTECT FIRST RESPONDERS;

- STAFFING FOR COMMUNITY PARAMEDICINE SERVICES;
- RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION OF FIREFIGHTERS AND PARAMEDICS;

WITH ALL SPENDING BEING PUBLICLY DISCLOSED AND SUBJECT TO AN ANNUAL INDEPENDENT AUDIT, AND SHALL ALL REVENUE AND ANY EARNINGS ON THIS TAX CONSTITUTE A PERMANENT VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE WITHIN THE MEANING OF ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION AND AN EXCEPTION TO THE LIMITATIONS SET FORTH IN SECTION 29-1-301 OF THE COLORADO REVISED STATUTES, AND ANY OTHER LAW?

Yes/For

No/Against

### FISCAL INFORMATION

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

Year	Fiscal Year Spending
2019 (estimated)	\$5,874,346
2018 (actual)	\$5,577,687
2017 (actual)	\$4,966,118
2016 (actual)	\$4,968,511
2015 (actual)	\$4,321,311

Overall percentage change in fiscal year spending over the five-year period from 2015 to 2019: 35.94%

Overall dollar change in fiscal year spending over the five-year period from 2015 through 2019: \$1,553,035

# LOUISVILLE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT (Continued)

## Proposed District Tax Increase

Estimated maximum dollar amount of proposed tax increase in first full fiscal year: \$2,819,326

Estimated first full fiscal year spending without the increase: \$5,346,184

## SUMMARY OF COMMENTS FOR THE ISSUE

Passage of Issue 6A will allow Louisville Fire Protection District (LFPD) to improve emergency response times and maintain emergency services.

LFPD's services population is growing and aging. In fact, emergency call volume has increased 160 percent the past 10 years. The Fire District currently serves more than 20,300 residents, 8,500 homes and 460 commercial buildings with one engine and two medic crews each shift. It's simply not enough first responders.

With the vast majority of LFPD's calls tied to medical emergencies, it's critical that the Fire District improves emergency response times.

In addition to addressing the needs of a larger service population, the other big challenge that LFPD faces is the ability to recruit and retain qualified firefighters and paramedics. Losing experienced first responders to other Front Range fire departments is a serious challenge and negatively impacts emergency services.

Your YES vote on Issue 6A will fund LFPD's highest priority operating and equipment needs, including:

- A second, full-time engine crew to improve response times and maintain emergency services
- Scheduled replacement of emergency equipment and apparatus to maintain reliability, reduce costly emergency repairs

- and protect both residents and first responders
- Required staffing to provide community paramedicine services
- Improved recruitment and retention of firefighters and paramedics

Issue 6A is not just about protecting residents, homes and businesses, it's also about protecting LFPD's firefighters and paramedics. First responders deserve equipment and apparatus that they can rely on, especially when every second counts. They also deserve to have an adequate number of first responders to safely address complex emergencies they encounter.

Compared to its peer districts across the Front Range, LFPD's current mill levy is the lowest. Many departments have a tax levy that is two to three times greater than LFPD's mill levy. In fact, it has been 13 years since voters approved additional funding to address LFPD's operating and equipment needs. Yet in that time, demands on our local first responders have dramatically increased.

Issue 6A is an investment of \$2.32 per month per \$100,000 of a home's actual value. For seniors and disabled veterans who qualify and apply for the Colorado Senior Property Tax Exemption, the tax impact is even lower. All spending from the mill levy will be publicly disclosed.

Issue 6A is a no-nonsense, fiscally responsible request focused on saving lives and property by improving response times and maintaining emergency services.

The first responders of the Louisville Fire Protection District deserve our support. They are serving us 24 hours a day, 365 days a year saving lives and protecting property.

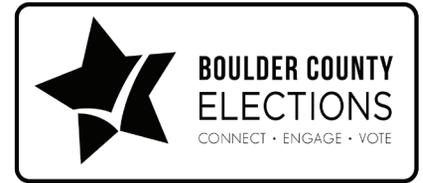
## SUMMARY OF COMMENTS AGAINST THE ISSUE

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

The Clerk and Recorder hereby certifies that the ballot issue notices contained herein is complete as submitted by the political subdivisions.

THIS CONCLUDES THE BALLOT ISSUE NOTICE REQUIRED BY ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION.

# Voting & Mail Ballot Return Options



Ballots are mailed the week of October 14. Voters may either vote their mail ballot and return it (instructions included with the mail ballot packet), or visit a Voter Service and Polling Center to cast a ballot in person. Below is a list of 24-hour mail ballot drop-off boxes as well as Voter Service and Polling Centers. Additional mail ballot return options are included in the mail ballot packet and listed online at [www.BoulderCountyVotes.org](http://www.BoulderCountyVotes.org).



**24-Hour Ballot Drop-off Boxes** – Open Monday, October 14 and close at 7 p.m. on Election Day – Tuesday, November 5

- Boulder** – Boulder County Clerk & Recorder – 1750 33<sup>rd</sup> Street (near main building entrance from parking lot)
- Boulder** – Boulder County Courthouse – East Wing Entrance – 2025 14th Street
- Boulder** – Boulder County Housing and Human Services – Broadway & Iris
- Boulder** – CU Campus – UMC – 1669 Euclid Avenue – closest to Euclid street entrance of building
- Boulder** – South Boulder Recreation Center – 1360 Gillaspie Drive
- Lafayette** – Lafayette Public Library – 775 W. Baseline Road
- Longmont** – Boulder County Clerk & Recorder / St. Vrain Community Hub – Corner of 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Coffman
- Longmont** – Boulder County Fairgrounds – 9595 Nelson Road (on Fairground Lane near the south parking lot)
- Longmont** – Garden Acres Park – 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue between Sunset and Juniper
- Longmont** – YMCA – 950 Lashley Street
- Louisville** – Louisville Police Department – 992 W. Via Appia Way
- Lyons** – Lyons Town Hall – 432 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- Nederland** – Nederland Community Center – 750 North Highway 72
- Superior** – Superior Town Hall – 124 E. Coal Creek Drive

**Coming Soon!**  
Additional 24-Hour Drop Boxes.  
Check our website for locations  
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**Voter Service and Polling Centers** – See below for schedule of openings and days/hours available. Services include:

- ★ Drop off your ballot
- ★ Cast a ballot in person
- ★ Request a replacement mail ballot
- ★ Register to vote or update your registration information
- ★ Vote using equipment and facilities for persons with disabilities

**Locations**

- Boulder** – Boulder County Clerk & Recorder – 1750 33<sup>rd</sup> Street\*
- Boulder** – CU Campus – University Memorial Center (UMC) – 1669 Euclid Avenue, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor (very limited parking)
- Lafayette** – Boulder County Clerk & Recorder – 1376 Miners Drive
- Longmont** – St. Vrain Community Hub / Boulder County Clerk & Recorder – 515 Coffman Street

**Days/Hours of Operation\***

- 8 a.m. – 6 p.m. Monday, October 28 – Friday, November 1
- 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Saturday, November 2
- 8 a.m. – 6 p.m. Monday, November 4
- 7 a.m. – 7 p.m. Tuesday, November 5 – Election Day

**\* Need to vote even earlier? The Boulder County Clerk & Recorder office at 1750 33<sup>rd</sup> Street in Boulder offers voting services weekdays 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. beginning Friday, Oct. 4.**

For additional information, please visit [www.BoulderCountyVotes.org](http://www.BoulderCountyVotes.org) or call 303-413-7740.  
Si usted necesita ayuda en español, por favor comuníquese con nuestra oficina al 303-413-7740 o visite nuestro sitio web en [www.BoulderCountyVotes.org](http://www.BoulderCountyVotes.org).

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ELECTIONS DIVISION  
1750 33<sup>RD</sup> STREET, SUITE 200  
BOULDER, CO 80301-2546



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**Tuesday, November 5, 2019 – Election Day**  
This is the last day to vote or return your ballot.

*Voted ballots must be received by the Boulder County Clerk & Recorder's office no later than 7 p.m. on Election Day to be counted.*

**Receiving this Notice does not guarantee you are registered to vote.**  
Visit [www.BoulderCountyVotes.org](http://www.BoulderCountyVotes.org) to verify your voter registration status, register to vote, update your voter registration information, and sign up for Ballot Track to receive notifications about the status of your mail ballot.

**Questions?**

Email [Vote@BoulderCountyVotes.org](mailto:Vote@BoulderCountyVotes.org) or call 303-413-7740

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