Clerk & Recorder Molly Fitzpatrick

TABOR Notice



November 2, 2021 – Election Day

All active registered voters will be mailed a ballot beginning October 8.

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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Dear Boulder County Voters:

Our office is responsible for conducting the 2021 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.



Over the last year, there has been much attention and focus on our vital elections systems and processes. Colorado is often held up as one of the best election models in the country due to

how we balance voter accessibility coupled with our strong security protocols and audit process. If you would like to learn more about election security in Colorado and specifically Boulder County, please see our Election Security Community Briefing and the other election process resources on our website, **www.BoulderCountyVotes.org**, under the Election Security section.

In addition to turning toward our office for trusted and accurate election information, the Colorado Secretary of State (www.GoVoteColorado.gov) is an excellent resource to reference as is the Colorado County Clerks Association (www.ClerkandRecorder.org).

The Elections Division takes great pride in being able to serve our community, and we are always open to your feedback about how we can do that better. Please share your thoughts with us at Vote@BoulderCountyVotes.org or (303) 413-7740. And if you have any questions about the elections process, please get in touch.

Thanks for being a voter,

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Molly Fitzpatrick, Boulder County Clerk & Recorder

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 beginning October 8. <u>Receiving this mailer does not guarantee you are registered to vote</u>. Check your registration at www.GoVoteColorado.gov. Colorado does not have a registration deadline. If eligible, you may register and vote on the same day, up to and including Election Day.
- Track your mail ballot. Visit 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 to be counted.
- In-person voting is available. If you would like to vote in-person or need additional assistance with voting, a list of Vote Centers (Voter Service and Polling Centers) will be included in your mail ballot packet. You can also find Vote Center locations and days/hours of operation on our website.
- Vote early. Once you decide how to vote, return your voted mail ballot. Voting early helps reduce campaign phone calls/texts 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, you must change your mailing (not registration) address as soon as possible at www.GoVoteColorado.gov. The last day to change a mailing address is October 25, 2021, in order to be sent a ballot in the mail for this election. Remember to update your mailing address after the election if you made a temporary mailing address change.

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 booklet 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 2021 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.*

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 2, 2021 • Deadline for Receipt of Ballots: November 2, 2021 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 REFERRED MEASURES

Election Date:Tuesday, November 2, 2021Election Hours:7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Designated Election Official:

Elesha Johnson, City Clerk 1777 Broadway, Boulder, CO 80302 (303)441-4222

CITY OF BOULDER BALLOT ISSUE 2I

WITHOUT RAISING THE CURRENT TAX RATE, SHALL THE EXISTING COMMUNITY, CULTURE, AND SAFETY SALES AND USE TAX OF 0.3 PERCENT, SCHEDULED TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2021, BE EXTENDED TO DECEMBER 31, 2036, AND BE KNOWN AS THE COMMUNITY, CULTURE, RESILIENCE, AND SAFETY TAX, WITH THE REVENUE FROM SUCH TAX EXTENSION AND ALL EARNINGS THEREON BE USED TO FUND CITY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS SUCH AS:

MAINTAIN AND IMPROVE ROADS AND MULTI-MODAL PATHS; REPLACE CRITICALLY DETERIORATED SIGNAL POLES; REPLACE CENTRAL AVENUE BRIDGE; IMPROVE THE BOULDER CREEK PATH CORRIDOR; IMPLEMENT THE BOULDER CIVIC AREA PHASE 2/CENTRAL PARK IMPROVEMENTS; COMPLETE FIRE STATION 3 CONSTRUCTION; RELOCATE OR RECONSTRUCT FIRE STATION 2 OR FIRE STATION 4; PURCHASE EMERGENCY VEHICLES FOR BOULDER FIRE RESCUE TO PROVIDE ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT; RENOVATE EAST BOULDER RECREATION CENTER; ACQUIRE STREETLIGHT SYSTEM AND CONVERT TO LED LIGHTS; REFRESH PEARL STREET MALL;

AND FUTURE CITY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS SUCH AS THOSE IN THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES: TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM RESILIENCE - MAINTAIN AND MODERNIZE BOULDER'S TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM TO ALLOW FOR SAFER AND MORE EFFICIENT FLOW FOR ALL MODES OF TRANSPORTATION INCLUDING PEDESTRIAN, BIKE, AND VEHICLES; PROGRESS TOWARD CLIMATE GOALS - RENOVATE AND RETROFIT THE CITY'S AGED FACILITIES TO INCREASE RESILIENCE AND REDUCE CARBON EMISSIONS: SAFE AND PREPARED BOULDER - MAINTAIN AND REPLACE CAPITAL INFRASTRUCTURE THAT SUPPORTS FIRST RESPONDERS: ACTIVE AND HEALTHY BOULDER - MAINTAIN AND MODERNIZE FACILITIES NEEDED TO PROVIDE RESIDENTS THE AMENITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES TO RECREATE AND MAINTAIN HEALTHY AND ACTIVE LIFESTYLE: COMMUNITY FOCUSED TECHNOLOGY IMPROVEMENTS - MODERNIZE AND CONSOLIDATE THE CITY'S DATA INFRASTRUCTURE

CITY OF BOULDER (Continued)

AND OUTREACH TOOLS FOR MORE TRANSPARENT, FASTER, ACCESSIBLE, AND USER-FRIENDLY RESIDENT AND VISITOR SERVICE;

AND USE UP TO 10% OF TAX REVENUE TO FUND A GRANT POOL FOR NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION PROJECTS THAT SERVE THE PEOPLE OF BOULDER AND RELATED COSTS INCLUDING GRANT PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION COSTS IN COMPLIANCE WITH TERMS, CONDITIONS, AND TIMING ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL;

AND IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, SHALL THE TAX REVENUES AND ANY EARNINGS FROM THE REVENUES CONSTITUTE A VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE AND AN EXCEPTION TO THE REVENUE AND SPENDING LIMITS OF ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION?

YES/FOR THE MEASURE NO/AGAINST THE MEASURE

FISCAL INFORMATION

Actual Historical and Current Estimated Fiscal Year Spending

Year	Fiscal Year Spending
2021 (estimated)	\$294,714,000
2020 (actual)	\$276,603,000
2019 (actual)	\$294,915,000
2018 (actual)	\$292,197,000
2017 (actual)	\$276,886,000

Overall percentage change in fiscal year spending over the five-year period from 2017 to 2021: 6.4%

Overall dollar change in fiscal year spending over the five-year period from 2017 through 2021: \$17,828,000

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS FOR THE ISSUE

Ballot Issue 2I asks Boulder voters whether the city should again extend a sales and use tax that the voters first approved in 2014, and which the voters renewed in 2017 by an 82% to 18% vote.

The amount of the sales tax, which has been paid since January 1, 2015, is 0.30%. This comes to 3 cents on a \$10 purchase. The tax is paid on all purchases made in Boulder, regardless of the residence of the buyer. It has been estimated that between one-third and one-half of sales tax collected in Boulder is paid by non-residents.

If approved by the voters, the renewed sales and use tax is estimated to generate about \$200 million over the next 15 years. The tax will be used for three things: First, about half of the tax proceeds will be used to pay for 11 specific city capital projects, listed below. Second, up to 10% of the tax (about \$20 million) will be allocated for capital projects by nonprofits serving the Boulder community, including arts and culture organizations. Third, the remainder of the tax will be used for city capital needs as they arise, including for transportation, climate action, public safety, recreation, and technological improvements. The 11 specific city projects listed in Ballot Issue 2I are:

- 1. Maintenance and improvement of streets and multimodal paths
- 2. Replacement of deteriorated traffic signal poles
- 3. Replacement of the Central Avenue bridge
- 4. Improvement of the Boulder Creek Path corridor
- 5. Improvement of the Civic Area east of Broadway (Central Park and 13th Street corridor)
- 6. Completion of the new location for Fire Station #3 on 30^{h} Street
- 7. Relocation or reconstruction of Fire Stations #2 and #4
- 8. Purchase of emergency vehicles for the Fire Department to provide Advanced Life Support (ALS)
- 9. Renovation of East Boulder Recreation Center
- 10. Acquisition from Xcel Energy of all of the streetlights in the city and their conversion to LED, to save costs and protect the environment
- 11. Refresh the 44-year-old Pearl Street Mall

Voters sometimes ask why the city cannot simply pay for all capital projects out of its annual budget. While the city does set aside millions of dollars for capital needs in its annual budget, there simply are not sufficient revenue sources for the city to cover all needs, and the voters are asked to consider this sales tax dedicated to capital projects and deferred maintenance.

Voters who want the city to keep up with maintenance of its infrastructure and to advance its capital needs, should vote YES on Ballot Issue 2I. To learn about how these projects can be undertaken more quickly, please read the TABOR notice for companion Ballot Issue 2J.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS AGAINST THE ISSUE

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

CITY OF BOULDER BALLOT ISSUE 2J

SHALL CITY OF BOULDER DEBT BE INCREASED UP TO \$110,000,000 (PRINCIPAL AMOUNT) WITH A MAXIMUM REPAYMENT COST OF UP TO \$158,000,000 (SUCH AMOUNT BEING THE TOTAL PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST THAT COULD BE PAYABLE OVER THE MAXIMUM LIFE OF THE DEBT) TO BE PAYABLE SOLELY FROM THE EXTENSION OF THE COMMUNITY, CULTURE, RESILIENCE, AND SAFETY SALES AND USE TAX OF 0.3 PERCENT (PREVIOUSLY KNOWN AS THE COMMUNITY, CULTURE, AND SAFETY TAX), IF SEPARATELY APPROVED;

SUCH DEBT TO BE SOLD AT SUCH TIME AND IN SUCH MANNER AND TO CONTAIN SUCH TERMS, NOT INCONSISTENT HEREWITH, AS THE CITY COUNCIL MAY DETERMINE, WITH THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH DEBT AND EARNINGS THEREON BEING USED TO FUND CITY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AND NON-PROFIT PROJECTS THAT SERVE THE PEOPLE OF BOULDER PAYABLE FROM SUCH SALES AND USE TAX EXTENSION INCLUDING, AMONG

OTHER THINGS:

MAINTAIN AND IMPROVE ROADS AND MULTI-MODAL PATHS; REPLACE CRITICALLY DETERIORATED SIGNAL POLES; REPLACE CENTRAL AVENUE BRIDGE; IMPROVE THE BOULDER CREEK PATH CORRIDOR; IMPLEMENT THE BOULDER CIVIC AREA PHASE 2/ CENTRAL PARK IMPROVEMENTS; COMPLETE FIRE STATION 3 CONSTRUCTION; RELOCATE OR RECONSTRUCT FIRE STATION 2 OR FIRE STATION 4; PURCHASE EMERGENCY VEHICLES FOR BOULDER FIRE RESCUE TO PROVIDE ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT; RENOVATE EAST BOULDER RECREATION CENTER; ACQUIRE STREETLIGHT SYSTEM AND CONVERT TO LED LIGHTS; REFRESH PEARL STREET MALL; OR USED TO FUND OTHER CITY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AND PROJECTS OF NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS OTHERWISE PAYABLE FROM SAID SALES AND USE TAX;

AND IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, SHALL ANY EARNINGS FROM THE INVESTMENT OF THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH DEBTS CONSTITUTE A VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE AND AN EXCEPTION TO THE REVENUE AND SPENDING LIMITS OF ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION?

YES/FOR THE MEASURE

NO/AGAINST THE MEASURE

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Proposed Bonded Debt

Proposed Principal Amount:	\$110,000,000
Maximum Annual Repayment Cost:	\$ 13,200,000
Total Repayment Cost:	\$158,000,000
Current District Bonded Debt Principal Amount Outstanding: Maximum Annual Repayment Cost: Total Repayment Cost:	\$47,888,826 \$ 6,897,514 \$52,340,707

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS FOR THE ISSUE

Ballot Issue 2J is the companion to Ballot Issue 2I. While 2I asks the voters whether the city may extend a seven-year-old sales and use tax dedicated to city capital needs, Ballot Issue 2J asks voters whether the city may issue bonds to accelerate the completion of those capital projects.

It is typical for cities to incur debt to speed up the completion of capital projects, then re-pay that debt over time with the underlying dedicated tax. The comparison is to a family buying a house. The family can take out a mortgage and begin enjoying the home immediately, paying the mortgage over time. Conversely, the family could save over years, until they eventually can afford to pay all cash for the house and then move in. Of course, while that savings is occurring, the house price (like the cost of the city's deferred maintenance and capital projects) will likely increase, making the ultimate goal more difficult to attain. Indeed, construction costs are rising at a faster annual rate than interest on debt, making it wise to frontend the construction on city projects, then repay the debt over time through low-interest bonds.

The City of Boulder, like nearly every city of its size, has hundreds of millions of dollars in debt. The city's outstanding AAA credit rating allows the city to borrow money at very low interest rates and then use the underlying tax to pay off the debt over time. If the city didn't borrow money, many projects, like maintaining streets and utility systems, simply couldn't happen.

The interest rate on bonds issued if Ballot Issue 2J passes will depend on the market conditions at the time of borrowing, likely over the next year or so. For purposes of drafting the ballot measure, the city staff very conservatively estimated a high interest rate of 5%. However, given the city's AAA credit rating and the fact that interest rates are currently at historic lows, it is likely that the city's actual rate of bond interest will be significantly lower.

Ballot Issue 2J is dependent on Ballot Issue 2I. If 2I does not pass, 2J is moot and no city borrowing would occur. Conversely, it is possible for Ballot Issue 2I to pass, allowing the sales tax extension, without Ballot Issue 2J passing. However, that would be a bad result for the community, as the city's deferred maintenance projects then could be funded and completed only as the sales tax is collected over the course of 15 years. That means that some of those projects may not be able to be started for more than a decade.

That's why it's important for voters to vote YES on both Ballot Issue 2I *and* Ballot Issue 2J. With these two approvals from the voters, the city can begin and complete critical capital projects quickly and efficiently.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS AGAINST THE ISSUE

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

CITY OF LAFAYETTE

NOTICE OF ELECTION TO INCREASE TAXES ON A REFERRED MEASURE

Election Date:Tuesday, November 2, 2021Election Hours:7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Designated Election Official:

Lynnette Beck, City Clerk 1290 S. Public Road Lafayette, CO 80026 Phone: (303) 661-1227

CITY OF LAFAYETTE BALLOT ISSUE 2B FUNDING PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES

SHALL CITY OF LAFAYETTE TAXES BE INCREASED BY \$1,990,000 ANNUALLY IN THE FIRST FULL FISCAL YEAR AND BY SUCH AMOUNTS AS ARE RAISED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER FROM AN ADDITIONAL 0.27% SALES AND USE TAX (2.7 CENTS ON A TEN-DOLLAR PURCHASE), BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2022, AND CONTINUING THEREAFTER, SUCH REVENUES TO BE COLLECTED, RETAINED, AND SPENT TO INCREASE THE LEVEL OF PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES AND PROVIDE FUNDING FOR PUBLIC SAFETY EQUIPMENT AND OPERATING EXPENSES, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

- PROVIDING MENTAL HEALTH CO-RESPONDER TEAMS ON CALLS INVOLVING PERSONS EXPERIENCING BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CRISES;
- PROVIDING LAFAYETTE FIRE AND POLICE DEPARTMENTS WITH ADDITIONAL FIREFIGHTERS AND OFFICERS TO IMPROVE RESPONSE TIMES AND RESPONSE CAPABILITIES TO EMERGENCIES THROUGHOUT THE CITY;
- PROVIDING RESOURCES FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND RESILIENCY PLANNING, AND RECOVERY FROM ENVIRONMENTAL, CLIMATE, AND HUMAN-CAUSED DISASTERS;
- MAINTAINING, REPLACING, AND ENHANCING FIRE AND POLICE CAPITAL EQUIPMENT AND DEFRAYING OPERATING EXPENSES FOR EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES FOR THE LAFAYETTE FIRE AND POLICE DEPARTMENTS;

AND SHALL THE CITY BE PERMITTED TO COLLECT, RETAIN, AND EXPEND ALL REVENUES DERIVED FROM SUCH 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?

YES/FOR

NO/AGAINST

FISCAL INFORMATION

Actual Historical and Current Estimated Fiscal Year Spending

Year	Fiscal Year Spending
2021 (estimated)	\$73,826,912*
2020 (actual)	\$50,761,824*
2019 (actual)	\$59,754,882*
2018 (actual)	\$50,247,172*
2017 (actual)	\$47,443,378*

Overall percentage change in fiscal year spending over the five-year period from 2017 to 2021: 56%

Overall dollar change in fiscal year spending over the five-year period from 2017 through 2021: \$26,383,534

Proposed District Tax Increase

Estimated maximum dollar amount of proposed tax increase in first full fiscal year: \$1,990,000

Estimated first full fiscal year spending without the increase: \$63.

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*Amounts include debt service cost of \$1,016,370 in 2021; \$1,001,350 in 2020; \$2,024,027 in 2019; \$2,140,595 in 2018; and \$2,327,815 in 2017.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS FOR THE ISSUE

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS AGAINST THE ISSUE

- The City of Lafayette has grown substantially and creates the need for additional personnel and resources in the police and fire departments. The percentage-based tax revenue along with properties and values should also be increasing with the additional personal and business economic activity from the growing population. Therefore, there is already funding to afford additional police mental health responders and additional firefighter personnel.
- Funding from the Colorado COVID Recovery funds will be allocated to the City of Lafayette specifically for infrastructure improvements. COVID Recovery funds should be used to pay for the equipment repairs and upgrades needed for the fire and police department infrastructure.
- For these reasons, no tax increase for additional public safety services should be needed.

CITY OF LAFAYETTE BALLOT ISSUE 2C FUNDING MENTAL HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

SHALL CITY OF LAFAYETTE TAXES BE INCREASED BY \$750,000 ANNUALLY IN THE FIRST FULL FISCAL YEAR AND BY SUCH AMOUNTS AS ARE RAISED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER FROM AN ADDITIONAL 0.1% SALES AND USE TAX (1.0 CENTS ON A TEN-DOLLAR PURCHASE), BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2022, AND CONTINUING THEREAFTER, SUCH REVENUES TO BE COLLECTED, RETAINED, AND SPENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AND HUMAN SERVICES THROUGH CONTRACTUAL PARTNERSHIPS WITH NONPROFIT AGENCIES THAT PROVIDE CRITICAL SAFETY NET SERVICES AND PROGRAMS TO INDIVIDUALS, FAMILIES, AND CHILDREN IN THE CITY OF LAFAYETTE, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO: • ASSISTANCE WITH FOOD, RENT, UTILITIES, CHILDCARE, AND MEDICAL CARE, MENTAL HEALTH CARE AND RESOURCES, AND SUPPORT FOR VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE;

CITY OF LAFAYETTE (Continued)

AND SHALL THE CITY BE PERMITTED TO COLLECT, RETAIN, AND EXPEND ALL REVENUES DERIVED FROM SUCH 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?

YES/FOR

NO/AGAINST

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Proposed District Tax Increase

Estimated maximum dollar amount of proposed tax increase in first full fiscal year: \$750,000

Estimated first full fiscal year spending without the increase:

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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 AND DEBT ON A REFERRED MEASURE

Election Date:Tuesday, November 2, 2021Election 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 2A DEBT AND TAX INCREASE FOR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS

SHALL CITY OF LOUISVILLE DEBT BE INCREASED \$51,420,000, WITH A REPAYMENT COST OF UP TO \$90,240,000; AND SHALL CITY PROPERTY TAXES BE INCREASED UP TO \$3,786,000 ANNUALLY, OR BY SUCH LESSER AMOUNT AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO PAY SUCH DEBT FROM AN ADDITIONAL AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAX MILL LEVY NOT TO EXCEED 5.450 MILLS SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

> (1) SUCH DEBT AND TAXES SHALL BE USED FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING THE ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED

TO UNDERPASSES, BIKE PATHS, PEDESTRIAN WALK WAYS, TRAILS, AND RELATED IMPROVEMENTS OR TO REFUND SUCH DEBT AT A HIGHER OR LOWER INTEREST RATE (OR TO CREATE A RESERVE FOR SUCH PURPOSES);

- (2) SUCH DEBT SHALL BE A LIMITED TAX GENERAL OBLIGATION OF THE CITY, MAY BE EVIDENCED BY BONDS, NOTES, CONTRACTS OR LOAN AGREEMENTS AND SHALL BE PAYABLE FROM A PROPERTY TAX MILL LEVY NOT TO EXCEED 5.450 MILLS AND ALSO FROM EXISTING CITY SALES AND USE TAXES AS DETERMINED BY THE COUNCIL AND FROM OTHER AVAILABLE REVENUE OF THE CITY;
- (3) SUCH DEBT SHALL BE SOLD IN ONE OR MORE SERIES, ON TERMS AND CONDITIONS AND WITH SUCH MATURITIES AS PERMITTED BY LAW AND AS THE CITY MAY DETERMINE, INCLUDING PROVISIONS FOR SALE OF THE BONDS AT A PRICE ABOVE OR BELOW PAR, AND FOR REDEMPTION OR PREPAYMENT PRIOR TO MATURITY, WITH OR WITHOUT PAYMENT OF A PREMIUM NOT TO EXCEED 3.00%;

AND SHALL THE CITY BE AUTHORIZED TO INCREASE SUCH MILL LEVY BEGINNING IN TAX COLLECTION YEAR 2022 AND ANNUALLY THEREAFTER TO OFFSET PROPERTY TAX REFUNDS OR ABATEMENTS OR REDUCTIONS IN THE PERCENTAGE OF ACTUAL VALUATION USED TO DETERMINE ASSESSED VALUATION;

CITY OF LOUISVILLE (Continued)

AND SHALL THE EARNINGS FROM THE INVESTMENT OF THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH DEBT, SUCH SALES AND USE TAX REVENUES, AND SUCH PROPERTY TAX REVENUES BE COLLECTED, RETAINED, AND SPENT 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?

FISCAL INFORMATION

Actual Historical and Current Estimated Fiscal Year Spending

Year	Fiscal Year Spending
2021 (estimated)	\$37,129,700
2020 (actual)	\$36,028,852
2019 (actual)	\$40,668,774
2018 (actual)	\$38,132,787
2017 (actual)	\$33,739,748

Overall percentage change in fiscal year spending over the five-year period from 2017 to 2021: 10.0%

Overall dollar change in fiscal year spending over the five-year period from 2017 through 2021: \$3,389,952

Proposed District Tax Increase

City estimate of the maximum dollar amount of proposed tax increase in first full fiscal year 2022: \$3,786,000

Estimated first full fiscal year spending without the increase:

Proposed Bonded Debt

Proposed Principal Amount:	not to exceed
	\$51,420,000
Maximum Annual Repayment Cost:	not to exceed
	\$3,786,000
Total Repayment Cost:	not to exceed
	\$90,240,000
Current District Bonded Debt	
Principal Amount Outstanding:	\$25,165,000
	64 742 000

Principal Amount Outstanding: Maximum Annual Repayment Cost: Total Repayment Cost: \$25,165,000 \$1,743,800 \$37,807,900

\$55,000,000

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS FOR THE ISSUE

No Comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS AGAINST THE ISSUE

This 20-year bond proposal is outrageously large. It proposes to borrow \$50 Million, with interest costs raising city debt by \$90 Million.

This proposal increases city property tax by 5.45 mills, a 68% increase.

A home valued at \$750,000 would pay an additional \$5,845 over 20 years, probably more as property values continue to rise in the future, since taxes rise as values rise. These increases unfairly impact lower and fixed income households.

Commercial property owners pay four times more in property tax than residential owners. A business property valued at \$750,000 would pay an additional \$23,707 over 20 years. This is a heavy burden to small, local businesses already struggling with COVID issues. Businesses may be forced to close, pass costs on to consumers, or relocate to other towns with lower taxes.

While labeled a transportation improvements tax, the intent of the current city council is to build six underpasses; however, no one knows what the final cost will be or how many underpasses will be built. At least one underpass will require negotiating for private property or resorting to condemnation.

Less expensive alternatives to enhance safety for cyclists and pedestrians have not been seriously considered.

The proposed underpasses are concentrated in one section of the city. They do not benefit all Louisville households equally, yet all households will pay the tax.

The current city council believes they can use "other city funds" to avoid levying the full 5.45 mills. Over time, using other city funds severely impacts other vital city services and projects currently provided by those funds. Furthermore, future city councils are not bound by this current council's Resolution of Intent. Intent means nothing legally.

TOWN OF SUPERIOR

NOTICE OF ELECTION TO INCREASE TAXES ON A REFERRED MEASURE

Election Date:Tuesday, November 2, 2021Election Hours:7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Designated Election Official:

Patricia Leyva, Town Clerk 124 E. Coal Creek Drive Superior, CO 80027 Phone: (303) 499-3675

TOWN OF SUPERIOR BALLOT ISSUE 2H

SHALL TOWN OF SUPERIOR TAXES BE INCREASED BY \$1,100,000 ANNUALLY IN THE FIRST FULL FISCAL YEAR (2022), AND BY ANOTHER \$500,000 ANNUALLY IN THE SECOND FISCAL YEAR (2023), AND BY WHATEVER ADDITIONAL AMOUNTS ARE COLLECTED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER, BY AN INCREASE IN THE SALES AND USE TAX RATE OF 0.28% IN 2022 AND 0.16% IN 2023, FOR A PHASED-IN SALES AND USE TAX RATE INCREASE TOTALING 0.44% OVER TWO YEARS, WITH THE REVENUES FROM SUCH TAX

TOWN OF SUPERIOR (Continued)

INCREASE TO BE USED FOR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS; AND SHALL THE TOWN BE AUTHORIZED TO COLLECT, RETAIN, AND SPEND ALL SUCH REVENUE AND ANY INVESTMENT EARNINGS AND INTEREST THEREON WITHOUT LIMITATION AND WITHOUT LIMITING THE EXPENDITURE OF ANY OTHER REVENUES OR FUNDS UNDER ARTICLE X, SECTION 20, OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION?

YES/FOR THE MEASURE NO/AGAINST THE MEASURE

FISCAL INFORMATION

Actual Historical and Current Estimated Fiscal Year Spending

Year	
2021 (e	stimated)
2020 (a	ctual)
2019 (a	ctual)
2018 (a	ctual)
2017 (a	ctual)

Fiscal Year Spending \$30,000,000 \$28,623,728 \$25,368,620 \$23,919,729 \$22,184,682 Overall percentage change in fiscal year spending over the five-year period from 2017 to 2021: 35.23%

Overall dollar change in fiscal year spending over the five-year period from 2017 through 2021: \$7,815,318

Proposed District Tax Increase

Estimated maximum dollar amount of proposed tax increase in first full fiscal year: \$1,100,000 Estimated first full fiscal year spending without the increase: \$30,900,000

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.

HYGIENE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

ALL REGISTERED VOTERS

NOTICE OF ELECTION TO INCREASE TAXES ON A REFERRED MEASURE

Election Date:Tuesday, November 2, 2021Election Hours:7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Designated Election Official:

Martin Butley, Designated Election Official 7523 Hygiene Road Longmont, CO 80503 Phone: (303) 776-2950

HYGIENE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BALLOT ISSUE 6A

SHALL HYGIENE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT TAXES BE INCREASED BY \$340,000 (FINAL FULL FISCAL YEAR INCREASE FOR COLLECTION YEAR 2024) WITH THE INCREASE PHASED-IN OVER THE NEXT THREE CALENDAR YEARS AT A RATE OF 11.099 MILLS (FIRST YEAR INCREASE OF 2 MILLS) IN LEVY YEAR 2021 FOR COLLECTION IN CALENDAR YEAR 2022, AN ADDITIONAL INCREASE TO 12.099 MILLS (SECOND YEAR INCREASE OF 1 MILL) IN LEVY YEAR 2022 FOR COLLECTION IN CALENDAR YEAR 2023, AND AN ADDITIONAL INCREASE TO 13.099 MILLS (THIRD YEAR INCREASE OF 1 MILL) IN LEVY YEAR 2023 FOR COLLECTION IN CALENDAR YEAR 2024, FOR A TOTAL GENERAL OPERATIONS MILL LEVY INCREASE OF NOT MORE THAN 4.0 MILLS TO BE IN ADDITION TO THE EXISTING 9.099 MILLS WITH SUCH PROCEEDS TO BE USED FOR THE INCREASED COSTS OF THE DISTRICT'S GENERAL OPERATIONS, SPECIFICALLY INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

• AVOIDING CUTS IN TRAINING AND EMERGENCY SERVICES, AND MAINTAINING 911 RESPONSE TIMES

• PROVIDING FIREFIGHTERS WITH ESSENTIAL SAFETY GEAR AND COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT, SUCH AS AIR PACKS AND RADIOS

• REPAIRING AND REPLACING AGING EMERGENCY RESPONSE VEHICLES, APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT

• EXTENDING THE USEFUL LIFE OF THE FIRE STATION, AND PROVIDING LIVING QUARTERS FOR VOLUNTEERS WHILE THEY ARE ON CALL

WITH ALL REVENUE SPENDING DISCLOSED IN AN ANNUAL INDEPENDENT AUDIT, AND ALL REVENUE AND EARNINGS ON THIS TAX CONSTITUTING A PERMANENT VOTER APPROVED CHANGE TO REVENUE AND SPENDING LIMITS WITHIN 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
2021 (estimated)	\$755,074
2020 (actual)	\$769,059
2019 (actual)	\$726,852
2018 (actual)	\$658,468
2017 (actual)	\$537,455

Overall percentage change in fiscal year spending over the five-year period from 2017 to 2021: 40%

Overall dollar change in fiscal year spending over the five-year period from 2017 through 2021: \$217,619

HYGIENE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT (Continued)

Proposed District Tax Increase

Estimated maximum dollar amount of proposed	
tax increase in first full fiscal year:	\$170,000
Estimated first full fiscal year spending	
without the increase: \$745,877	

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS FOR THE ISSUE

The Hygiene Fire Protection District maintains equipment and emergency response teams highly trained in structure and wildland fires, search and rescue operations (including open water), motor vehicle accidents and extrication, emergency medical treatment, and hazardous material protection. Within the past year, the district was threatened by both the Cal-Wood wildfire and a high-pressure gas line rupture. The department played an instrumental role in these and many other emergencies and is recognized for its outstanding response times and in-depth training.

That said, there is real concern as to how much longer this quality of service can be sustained. Three important issues need to be addressed.

- District fire engines are on average 20 years old, with replacement costs in excess of \$750,000 per vehicle.
- Quick response times are completely dependent on firefighters and emergency medical personnel staying on premise while on call, yet there are no overnight accommodations on station property.
- Compensation for District firefighters when on call starts at \$12.50 per hour, far below the \$23 per hour industry standard, making it difficult to retain highly qualified personnel.

Our current mill levy is lower than all adjacent Fire Protection Districts, including Lyons, Berthoud, Mountain View, Boulder Rural, and Left Hand. The median mill levy for these five districts is 15.75, while the current levy for Hygiene is only 9.099.

The proposed mill levy increase to 13.099, implemented over three years, will allow the Department to address the above issues at a rate which remains significantly lower than the median levy assessed by surrounding Fire Protection Districts. Voting YES will ensure that the Department has the resources needed to continue providing the high quality of service that our community expects and deserves.

For the proposed mill levy increase over three years from 9.099 to 13.099, the estimated additional annual cost to the residential property owner for each \$100,000 of actual value will be \$14.30 in the first year, \$21.15 the second year, and \$28.60 for the third year and each year thereafter.

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 are 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 beginning October 8. Voters may either vote their mail ballot and return it (instructions included with the mail ballot packet) or visit a Vote Center to cast a ballot in-person. Below is a list of 24-hour mail ballot drop-off



boxes as well as Vote Centers. Additional voting information is available at www.BoulderCountyVotes.org.



24-Hour Ballot Drop-off Boxes – Open Friday, October 8 and close at 7 p.m. on Election Day – Tuesday, November 2

Boulder – Boulder County Clerk & Recorder – 1750 33rd Street (east side of parking lot) Boulder - Boulder County Courthouse - East Wing Entrance - 2025 14th Street Boulder – Boulder County Housing and Human Services – 3400 Broadway at Iris Avenue Boulder – CU Campus – UMC –1669 Euclid Avenue – closest to Euclid street entrance of building Boulder – CU Campus – Williams Village – 500 30th Street (bus stop / lane) Boulder – South Boulder Recreation Center – 1360 Gillaspie Drive Erie – Meadowlark School – Staff/bus parking lot (off Front Range Road at Laramie Lane) Gunbarrel – Avery Brewing – 4910 Nautilus Court N (east parking lot) Lafayette – Lafayette Public Library – 775 W. Baseline Road Longmont – Boulder County Clerk & Recorder – 529 Coffman Street (6th Avenue and Coffman Street) Longmont – Boulder County Fairgrounds – 9595 Nelson Road (on Fairground Lane near the south parking lot) Longmont – Front Range Community College – 2121 Miller Drive, Classroom Bldg (C1 Door on Pike Road) Longmont – Garden Acres Park – 18th Avenue between Sunset and Juniper Longmont – YMCA – 950 Lashley Street Louisville* - Louisville Recreation Center - 900 W. Via Appia Way Lyons – Lyons Town Hall – 432 5th Avenue Nederland – Nederland Community Center–750 North Highway 72 Superior – Superior Town Hall – 124 E. Coal Creek Drive

* New Location: Drop box moved from the Louisville Police Department



Vote Centers (Voter Service and Polling Centers) – Services include:

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

Locations

- Boulder Bou 33rd Street
- Boulder CU (UMC) - 16 parking)
- Lafayette So Public Roa
- Longmont S Street

Dates & Days/Hours of Operation*

oulder County Clerk & Recorder – 1750 t J Campus – University Memorial Center 1669 Euclid Avenue, 2 nd floor (very limited	8 a.m. – 6 p.m. Monday, October 25 – Friday, October 29 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Saturday, October 30 8 a.m. – 6 p.m. Monday, November 1 7 a.m. – 7 p.m. Tuesday, November 2 – Election Day
Southeast County Services Hub – 1755 S. ad St. Vrain Community Hub – 515 Coffman	* Need in-person services before Vote Centers open? The County Clerk & Recorder office at 1750 33 rd Street in Boulder offers select voting services Monday – Thursday 7:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.
	See website for Ballot-to-Go options as well.

For additional information, please visit www.BoulderCountyVotes.org or call 303-413-7740.

Si usted necesita ayuda en español, por favor comunicase con nuestra oficina al 303-413-7740 o visite nuestro sitio web en www.BoulderCountyVotes.org.

BOULDER COUNTY CLERK & RECORDER ELECTIONS DIVISION 1750 33RD STREET, SUITE 200 BOULDER, CO 80301-2546



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Ballots mailed October 8. Contact us if you need to vote sooner. Tuesday, November 2, 2021 – 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. Postmarks do not count.

Receiving this Notice does not guarantee you are registered to vote.

Visit 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 or call 303-413-7740 www.BoulderCountyVotes.org