

RESOLUTION 2022-059

A Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Boulder County approving a ballot title for the November 8, 2022 general election based on a petition pursuant to the Colorado Library Law to form the Boulder Public Library District and impose an ad valorem tax on properties within the District to fund facilities and services

Recitals

A. This Board has adopted Resolution 2022-058, referring an issue to the November 8, 2022 general election ballot based on a petition of the electors pursuant to § 24-90-101 et seq., Colorado Revised Statutes (the “Library Law”).

B. This Board desires to determine the ballot title for the petition issue for placement on the ballot for the November 8, 2022 general election.

C. Pursuant to §§ 30-11-103.5 and 31-11-111(3), C.R.S., as amended, this Board must fix a ballot title according to the following guidelines: consider the public confusion that might be caused by a misleading title; avoid a title for which the general understanding of the effect of a "yes" or "no" vote would be unclear; no conflict with titles selected for any other measure that will appear on the County ballot in the same election; and the title shall correctly and fairly express the true intent and meaning of the measure.

D. This Board finds that the ballot title set forth below meets the statutory guidelines.

Therefore, the Board resolves:

1. In accordance with the statutory guidelines, the Board does hereby fix the following ballot title for the referred issue:

COUNTY ELECTORS PETITION ISSUE 1] (Library District Formation and Mill Levy Tax and Revenue Change):

SHALL THE BOULDER PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT TAXES BE INCREASED \$18,780,000 ANNUALLY FOR COLLECTION BEGINNING IN 2023, AND BY SUCH ADDITIONAL AMOUNTS RAISED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER BY AN AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAX MILL LEVY IMPOSED AT A RATE OF 3.5 MILLS TO PROVIDE FACILITIES AND SERVICES WHICH MAY INCLUDE:

RESTORED AND IMPROVED LITERACY PROGRAMS,
INCLUDING PARTNERSHIPS WITH SCHOOLS TO REACH
UNDERSERVED STUDENTS AND STUDENTS WHO FELL
BEHIND DURING THE PANDEMIC;

ADDITIONAL FREE AND SAFE PUBLIC SPACES FOR
COMMUNITY MEETINGS, WORKSHOPS AND PROGRAMS;

UPDATED AND IMPROVED COLLECTIONS OF BOOKS AND MATERIALS, INCLUDING BILINGUAL MATERIALS AND DOWNLOADING OF E-BOOKS, MOVIES, AND MUSIC;

EXTENDED HOURS AT ALL EXISTING LIBRARIES AND A NEW BRANCH LIBRARY IN GUNBARREL;

EXPANDED ACCESS TO STEAM PROGRAMS, MAKERSPACES, AND FREE INTERNET FOR YOUNG PEOPLE, UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES AND SENIORS;

IMPROVED MAINTENANCE, CLEANLINESS, SAFETY, AND SECURITY AT ALL LIBRARY FACILITIES;

AND SHALL THE DISTRICT BE ENTITLED TO COLLECT, RETAIN AND SPEND THOSE REVENUES IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER TAXES, FEES OR OTHER REVENUES OF THE DISTRICT, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY LIMITATION OR RESTRICTION OF ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION, OR WITHOUT REGARD TO THE 5.5% PROPERTY TAX REVENUE LIMITATION OF SECTION 29-1-301, C.R.S., OR ANY OTHER LAW, AND SHALL THE DISTRICT BE FORMED?

2. The Board shall take further action to finally certify the ballot measure and ballot title, together with any others that may be approved, to the November 8, 2022 general election ballot on or before September 9, 2022.

A motion to approve this Resolution 2022-059 was made by Commissioner Claire Levy, seconded by Commissioner Matt Jones, and passed by a 3-0 vote.

ADOPTED this 16th day of August, 2022.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF BOULDER COUNTY:**

Marta Loachamin
Marta Loachamin, Chair

Claire Levy
Claire Levy, Vice Chair

Matt Jones
Matt Jones, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Clerk to the Board: Cecilia Lacey