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## **Notice of Election All Registered Voters**

### **Coordinated Election Tuesday, November 5, 2013**

Notice of Election to Increase Taxes/To Increase Debt/On a Citizen Petition/On a Referred Measure.

This booklet contains summary statements for ballot propositions as required by the State of Colorado Constitution, Article X, Section 20. You may not have all of these issues on your ballot.

This Ballot Information Pamphlet contains TABOR Issues for Arapahoe County and those subdivisions coordinating with the Arapahoe County Clerk and Recorder's Office.

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.

**This is not a ballot. It is election information only.**

The information contained in this notice was prepared by persons required by law to provide summaries of ballot issues and fiscal information. This notice is mailed to each address with one or more registered voters.

If you have additional questions or wish to confirm your voter registration status and information, please go to [www.arapahoevotes.com](http://www.arapahoevotes.com) or contact the Election Department at (303) 795-4511.

## Voter Information

The November 5, 2013 Coordinated Election will be conducted as a Mail Ballot Election. Voters will receive their ballot at their residential address or mailing address (as shown on the Clerk and Recorder voter registration records). Ballots will be mailed beginning October 15, 2013.

## Voter Registration Deadlines

REGISTRATION	DEADLINE
Mail Registrations, Voter Registration Drives, Agency Forms	Tuesday, October 15 <sup>th</sup>
Online Voter Registration (OLVR) Submissions	Monday, October 28 <sup>th</sup>
"Change of Address form" by mail*	Monday, October 28 <sup>th</sup>
In-Person Voter Service and Polling Center (VSPC)	7:00pm, Tuesday, November 5 <sup>th</sup>

\*Change of Voter Registration Information Form

## Check your registration and track your ballot on-line

- Go to [www.arapahoevotes.com](http://www.arapahoevotes.com) and click on "My Voting Info" to make sure you are registered at your current address.
- Go to [www.arapahoevotes.com](http://www.arapahoevotes.com) and click on "Track My Mail Ballot" to see when your ballot is mailed and when it is received by the Arapahoe County Clerk and Recorder.

## Return your ballot

- Ballots must be received by the Arapahoe County Clerk and Recorder's Office no later than 7:00 p.m. on Election Day, Tuesday, November 5. Postmarks do not count as received.
- Postage for ballots returned by mail is \$.66 cents.
- Ballots may be dropped off at the locations/times listed on the next page. Please note, times may vary by location. All locations are open on Election Day from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- Ballots may be dropped off 24 hours a day at our Administrative Building, 5334 S. Prince St., Littleton, CO 80120 and our Elections Facility (warehouse), 5251 S. Federal Blvd, Littleton, CO 80120.

AREAS	DROP-OFF LOCATIONS	LOCATION SCHEDULE
<b>Aurora***</b>	Arapahoe County Clerk & Recorder (Aurora Motor Vehicle) 490 S. Chambers Rd. Aurora, CO 80017	M-F: 7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Saturday, November 2, 2013: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 5, 2013: 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
<b>Aurora</b>	Aurora City Clerk's Office 15151 E. Alameda Pkwy. Aurora, CO 80012	M-F: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Saturday, November 2, 2013: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 5, 2013: 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
<b>Aurora</b>	Arapahoe County Clerk & Recorder Altura Plaza Driver's License Office 15400 E. 14th Pl. Aurora, CO 80011	M-F: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Saturday, November 2, 2013: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 5, 2013: 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
<b>Bennett</b>	Town of Bennett 355 4 <sup>th</sup> St. Bennett, CO 80102	Monday - Thursday: 7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. (CLOSED FRIDAY) Saturday, November 2, 2013: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 5, 2013: 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
<b>Byers***</b>	Arapahoe County Clerk & Recorder (Byers Motor Vehicle) 538 N. Highway 36 Byers, CO 80103	M-F: 8:00 a.m. - Noon and 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Saturday, November 2, 2013: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 5, 2013: 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
<b>Centennial***</b>	Arapahoe County Clerk & Recorder (Lima Plaza Campus) Centennial Motor Vehicle & Driver's License 6954 S. Lima St. Centennial, CO 80112	M-F: 7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Saturday, November 2, 2013: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 5, 2013: 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
<b>Centennial</b>	Centennial City Clerk's Office 13133 E. Arapahoe Rd. Centennial, CO 80112	M-F: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Saturday, November 2, 2013: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 5, 2013: 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
<b>Centennial</b>	Goodson Recreation Center 6315 S. University Blvd. Centennial, CO 80121	M-F: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Saturday, November 2, 2013: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 5, 2013: 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
<b>Centennial</b>	Smoky Hill Library 5430 S. Biscay Cir. Centennial, CO 80015	Monday - Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Saturday, November 2, 2013: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 5, 2013: 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
<b>Cherry Hills Village</b>	Cherry Hills Village City Clerk's Office - Village Center 2450 E. Quincy Ave. Cherry Hills Village, CO 80113	M-F: 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Saturday, November 2, 2013: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 5, 2013: 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
<b>Deer Trail</b>	Deer Trail Town Hall 555 Second Ave. Deer Trail, CO 80105	M-F: 7:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Saturday, November 2, 2013: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 5, 2013: 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
<b>Englewood</b>	Englewood City Clerk's Office 1000 Englewood Pkwy, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor Englewood, CO 80110	M-F: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Saturday, November 2, 2013: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 5, 2013: 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
<b>Glendale</b>	Glendale City Clerk's Office 950 S. Birch St. Glendale, CO 80246	M-F: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Saturday, November 2, 2013: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 5, 2013: 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
<b>Greenwood Village</b>	Greenwood Village City Clerk's Office 6060 S. Quebec St. Greenwood Village, CO 80111	M-F: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Saturday, November 2, 2013: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 5, 2013: 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
<b>Littleton***</b>	Arapahoe County Clerk & Recorder (Administration Bldg.) 5334 S. Prince St. Littleton, CO 80120	M-F: 7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Saturday, November 2, 2013: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 5, 2013: 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. <b>24-HOUR BALLOT BOX AVAILABLE BALLOT BOX CLOSING AT 7:00 P.M. ELECTION DAY</b>
<b>Littleton</b>	Littleton City Clerk's Office 2255 W. Berry Ave. Littleton, CO 80120	M-F: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Saturday, November 2, 2013: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 5, 2013: 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
<b>Littleton</b>	Arapahoe County Voting Systems Facility (Warehouse) 5251 S. Federal Blvd. Littleton, CO 80123	<b>24-HOUR BALLOT BOX AVAILABLE BALLOT BOX CLOSING AT 7:00 P.M. ELECTION DAY</b>
<b>Sheridan</b>	Sheridan City Clerk's Office 4101 S. Federal Blvd. Sheridan, CO 80110	M-F: 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Saturday, November 2, 2013: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 5, 2013: 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
<b>Strasburg</b>	Guaranty Bank 56540 E. Colfax Ave. Strasburg, CO 80136	M-F: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Saturday, November 2, 2013: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 5, 2013: 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

\*\*\*Indicates a Voter Service and Polling Center.

**ARAPAHOE COUNTY**  
**Voter Service and Polling Centers (VSPC)**

For the November 5, 2013 Coordinated Election, you can visit any one of our four Voter Service and Polling Centers for the following services:

- Register to vote;
- Update your voter registration;
- Request a new mail ballot;
- Request a replacement mail ballot;
- Drop-off your voted mail ballot;
- Vote on an accessible voting machine; or
- Vote a provisional ballot

CITY	LOCATION	ADDRESS	LOCATION SCHEDULE
Aurora	Clerk & Recorder Aurora Voter Service & Polling Center Motor Vehicle Branch Office	490 S Chambers Road Aurora, CO 80017	M-F: 7am-5pm Sat Nov 2 <sup>nd</sup> : 9am-1pm Election Day: 7am-7pm
Byers	Clerk & Recorder Byers Voter Service & Polling Center Motor Vehicle Branch Office	538 N Highway 36 Byers, CO 80103	M-F: 8am-Noon & 1pm-5pm Sat Nov 2 <sup>nd</sup> : 9am-1pm Election Day: 7am-7pm
Centennial	Clerk & Recorder Lima Plaza Voter Service & Polling Center Motor Vehicle Branch Office	6954 S Lima Street Centennial, CO 80112	M-F: 7am-5pm Sat Nov 2 <sup>nd</sup> : 9am-1pm Election Day: 7am-7pm
Littleton	Clerk & Recorder Littleton Voter Service & Polling Center Motor Vehicle Branch Office	5334 S Prince Street Littleton, CO 80120	M-F: 7am-5pm Sat Nov 2 <sup>nd</sup> : 9am-1pm Election Day: 7am-7pm

**Identification must be presented at all election sites in order to vote.**

Any of the following are considered acceptable forms of identification:

The following types of identification are acceptable and must have a Colorado address:

- A valid Colorado Driver's License;
- A valid Colorado ID card issued by the Colorado Department of Revenue;
- A valid US Passport;
- A valid employee ID card with a photo of the eligible elector issued by any branch, department, agency, or entity of the United States government or of Colorado, or by any county, municipality, board, authority or other political subdivision of Colorado;
- A valid pilot's license issued by the Federal Aviation Administration or other authorized agency of the United States;
- A valid US military ID card with a photo. (This is the only form of identification that may have an out of state address.)
- A copy of a current utility bill or bank statement, with a Colorado address;
- A government check, government paycheck or other government document that shows the name and address of the elector;
- A valid Medicare or Medicaid card;
- A certified copy of a US birth certificate for the elector issued in the United States;
- Certified documentation of naturalization;
- A valid student identification card with a photograph of the eligible elector issued by an institute of higher education in Colorado;
- A valid veteran ID card issued by the United States department of veterans affairs with a photograph of eligible elector;
- A valid ID card issued by a federally recognized tribal government certifying tribal membership.

**TO ALL REGISTERED VOTERS  
NOTICE OF ELECTION ON TWO REFERRED TABOR MEASURES**

City of Littleton  
Arapahoe County, Colorado

**Election Date:** November 5, 2013  
**Election Hours:** 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

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

Wendy Heffner, City Clerk  
2255 W. Berry Avenue  
Littleton, CO 80120  
(303) 795-3753

**CITY OF LITTLETON BALLOT ISSUE 2D:**

SHALL CITY OF LITTLETON TAXES BE INCREASED BY AN ESTIMATED \$90,000 IN 2014 (THE FIRST FULL FISCAL YEAR) AND WHATEVER AMOUNTS MAY BE COLLECTED IN FUTURE YEARS BY ADDING CHAPTER 23 TO TITLE 3 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF LITTLETON TO IMPOSE A LODGING TAX OF THREE PERCENT (3%) OF THE PURCHASE PRICE PAID OR CHARGED FOR LODGING SERVICES LESS THAN THIRTY (30) DAYS IN THE CITY OF LITTLETON IN ADDITION TO THE SALES TAX IMPOSED ON SUCH SERVICES?

AND SHALL ALL REVENUE RECEIVED FROM SUCH TAX INCREASE AND ANY INVESTMENT INTEREST THEREON BE A VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE UNDER ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION OR ANY OTHER LAW?

**Fiscal Year Spending Information**

<b>Year</b>		<b>Fiscal Year Spending (FYS)</b>
2009	\$	53,707,234
2010		55,175,264
2011		57,360,933
2012		58,761,755
2013 (Current Year Estimate)	\$	60,054,514

Overall FYS percentage change through five years (2009-2013): 12%

Overall FYS Dollar change through five Years (2009-2013): \$ 6,347,280

Fiscal Year spending without the tax increase, and assuming no other tax increase is approved, is estimated to be up to \$60,054,514 in year 2013. The proposed maximum dollar tax increase in the ballot issue is \$90,000 in 2014.

**SUMMARY OF WRITTEN COMMENTS FOR BALLOT ISSUE 2D:**

No comments were received by the constitutional deadline.

**SUMMARY OF WRITTEN COMMENTS AGAINST BALLOT ISSUE 2D :**

The City Council of Littleton proposes a hotel tax known as a lodging tax of three (3) percent on the November ballot, which is designed to raise \$90,000 for general city operations. There is presently one true "hotel" in Littleton, which is The Hampton Inn. It is owned by a small business. The City has had no lodging tax/hotel tax since it opened. Neighbors report that this business located in Littleton because there were no lodging taxes, and it has operated without causing any difficulties for the City or its neighbors. The City has stated that it has a goal to encourage developments. If there is a need for additional City revenue, the Council has other ways to generate that revenue without punishing existing successful businesses, such as controlling spending, limiting incentive packages and imposing reasonable impact fees on new developments. Imposing new taxes will discourage businesses from locating in Littleton. We do not agree that when businesses that have taken the initiative to build here and compete in the private sector they should be taxed to pay for other City operations. It is difficult to see the rationale for causing a tax to now be imposed on this hotel after four successful years in Littleton. The City Council recently approved its Economic Development Plan. This is only one of the proposed new taxes. In this case, it is a detriment to an established business.

**CITY OF LITTLETON BALLOT ISSUE 2E:**

SHALL CITY OF LITTLETON TAXES BE INCREASED BY AN ESTIMATED \$120,000 IN 2014 (THE FIRST FULL FISCAL YEAR) AND WHATEVER AMOUNTS MAY BE COLLECTED IN FUTURE YEARS BY ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 22 TO TITLE 3 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF LITTLETON TO IMPOSE A TAX OF THREE PERCENT (3%) OF THE PURCHASE PRICE PAID OR CHARGED FOR SALES OF RETAIL MARIJUANA AND RETAIL MARIJUANA PRODUCTS IN THE CITY OF LITTLETON IN ADDITION TO THE SALES TAX AND ANY OTHER STATE TAX IMPOSED ON SUCH SALES OF RETAIL MARIJUANA AND RETAIL MARIJUANA PRODUCTS?

AND SHALL ALL REVENUE RECEIVED FROM SUCH TAX INCREASE AND ANY INVESTMENT INTEREST THEREON BE A VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE UNDER ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION OR ANY OTHER LAW?

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**SUMMARY OF WRITTEN COMMENTS FOR BALLOT ISSUE 2E :**

No comments were received by the constitutional deadline.

**SUMMARY OF WRITTEN COMMENTS AGAINST BALLOT ISSUE 2E :**

This tax should not be supported. It targets a minority population with an additional tax on top of the already existing sales tax on all other retail items in Littleton. This is a sin tax and it singles out only one product of sin products in Littleton. This is not a fair tax – it is a tax that Council believes will be an easy one for citizens to support. This is a money grab for more revenue on an easy target. Most of the population does not use marijuana and therefore would not be subject to paying the tax. But why should a minority of the population be taxed at an additional rate above the already existing sales tax rate just to raise more revenue for the City? The Council has not specified where this revenue will be spent - it will not be used to offset any expenses associated with the selling of marijuana. In fact, the Council is in the process of banning the selling of recreational marijuana so why have a tax on something that is not intended to be sold in Littleton? This proposal also appears to be an attempt to subvert the will of the people who voted to legalize marijuana, by regulating and taxing it to death.

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**ALL REGISTERED VOTERS**

**BENNETT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 29J  
[ADAMS][ARAPAHOE] COUNTY, COLORADO**

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

[ADAMS COUNTY]

Election by Mail Ballot

Deadline for receipt of ballots: November 5, 2013 7:00 p.m.

[ARAPAHOE COUNTY]

Election date: November 5, 2013

Election hours: 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Local election office address and phone number:

Designated Election Official: Debra Matis, Designated Election Official; 610 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Bennett, Colorado 80102; telephone number (303) 644-3234 Ext. 8202

Coordinated Election Official: [Karen Long, Adams County Clerk and Recorder; 4430 S. Adams County Parkway, Suite E3102, Brighton, Colorado 80601; telephone number (720) 523-6266][Matt Crane, Arapahoe County Clerk and Recorder; 5334 South Prince St., Littleton, Colorado 80166-0211; telephone number (303) 795-4200]

Ballot title and text:

Ballot Issue 3A

SHALL BENNETT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 29J TAXES BE INCREASED \$300,000 ANNUALLY IN THE CURRENT TAX COLLECTION YEAR (2014), AND IN EACH BUDGET YEAR THEREAFTER UNTIL THE (2017) COLLECTION YEAR TO IMPLEMENT, FUND AND PROVIDE:

- A TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE REPLACEMENT & ENHANCEMENT PLAN TO PURCHASE COMPUTER, VIDEO, AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT AND SOFTWARE,
- A BUS REPLACEMENT PROGRAM AS DETERMINED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO KEEP THE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM OPERATING.

WHICH TAXES SHALL BE DEPOSITED INTO THE GENERAL FUND OF THE DISTRICT, SHALL BE IN ADDITION TO THE PROPERTY TAXES THAT OTHERWISE WOULD BE LEVIED FOR THE GENERAL FUND, AND SHALL CONSTITUTE A VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE?

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

<b>Year</b>	<b>Fiscal Year Spending<sup>1</sup></b>
2009-2010 (actual)	\$6,589,379.
2010-2011 (actual)	6,499,050.
2011-2012 (actual)	6,783,217
2012-2013 (actual)	6,709,875
2013-2014 (current year estimated)	6,839,457
Overall percentage change in fiscal year spending over the five year period from 2009-2010 through 2013-2014:	3.79 %
Overall dollar change in fiscal year spending over the five year period from 2009-2010 through 2013-2014:	\$250,078
Estimated 2013-2014 fiscal year spending without taking into account the tax increase authorized by Ballot Issue 3A:	\$6,839,457
Estimated 2013-2014 tax increase authorized by Ballot Issue 3A:	\$300,000

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

The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons FOR Ballot Issue 3A:

With the passage of 3A this November, Bennett School District 29J residents have an opportunity to maintain and defend the quality of schools the community expects. Due to state budget rescissions the District has lost approximately \$1,300 in revenue per student since the 2008/2009 school year through the 2013/2014 budget. This has amounted to approximately \$4,000,000 in lost revenue compounded over the past six years.

With the loss in revenue the District has been fiscally cautious when making budgetary decisions and continually searching for ways to operate efficiently. The District has sought for capital construction matching funds from the State to maximize general fund resources. In 2010, as a testament to the District's budgetary efficiency, the District was ranked #1 in the state for the expenditure vs. student achievement correlation by americanprogress.org.

The passage of 3A will provide the District with funds to bridge the gap to maintain educational services in the face of further cuts to K-12 education. Your YES vote on 3A will provide for a bus replacement plan, due to several buses in the fleet that are over 20 years old, and implement much needed technological upgrades.

The District is looking towards the future in preparing students to compete in a 21<sup>st</sup> century global economy. Bennett graduates must be in a position to compete for college admission, scholarships, or entry into the modern workforce where technology plays a vital role.

We can strengthen our schools and position our kids and community for the future with the passage of 3A.

3A will put necessary technology into the hands of our students and allow the school district to make up the difference in funding at a time when the State is not adequately funding its schools. It is time for us to take local control over how our District gets funded. For every \$100,000 of market value, homeowners will pay an additional \$ .69 per month with the passage of 3A.

Voting YES on 3A will positively impact the children in our District, now and in the future. Please support our effort to maintain and advance the quality of educational services that are being provided by the District to the students, parents and community of Bennett.

The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons AGAINST Ballot Issue 3A:

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

**TO: All Registered Voters**

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

Town of Bennett, Colorado  
Adams and Arapahoe Counties, Colorado

Election Date: Tuesday, November 5, 2013

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

**Local Election Office Addresses and Telephone Numbers:**

Town of Bennett  
Office of the Town Clerk  
355 Fourth Street  
Bennett, CO 80102  
Telephone: (303) 644-3249

**Ballot Title and Text:**

**BALLOT ISSUE 2H**

SHALL TOWN OF BENNETT TAXES BE INCREASED \$450,000 IN 2014 (FIRST FULL FISCAL YEAR DOLLAR INCREASE) AND THEN ANNUALLY BY WHATEVER ADDITIONAL AMOUNTS ARE RAISED THEREAFTER BY THE IMPOSITION OF A SALES TAX AT THE RATE OF 0.75 PERCENT AND SHALL TOWN OF BENNETT DEBT BE INCREASED \$5.3 MILLION, WITH A MAXIMUM REPAYMENT COST OF \$8.1 MILLION; SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING:

ALL OR ANY PORTION OF THE NET PROCEEDS OF THE TOWN SALES TAX, AS DETERMINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, MAY BE DEPOSITED TO THE TOWN'S SALES TAX CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND, WHICH IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO BE CREATED, TO BE COLLECTED, RETAINED AND SPENT TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE, REPAIR, REPLACEMENT, EXPANSION, REHABILITATION AND RENOVATION OF EXISTING AND PLANNED STREETS AND OTHER STREET RELATED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN THE TOWN AS DETERMINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, OR TO PAY DEBT SERVICE ON DEBT ISSUED FOR SUCH PURPOSES OR TO PAY THE COSTS OF OPERATING OR MAINTAINING IMPROVEMENTS FINANCED FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND;

ANY PORTION OF THE NET PROCEEDS OF SUCH ADDITIONAL SALES TAX WHICH ARE NOT DEPOSITED TO THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND SHALL BE COLLECTED, RETAINED AND SPENT FOR OPERATING OR MAINTAINING ANY EXISTING OR PLANNED STREETS;

THE SALES TAX INCREASE SHALL COMMENCE JANUARY 1, 2014 AND BE COLLECTED IN ADDITION TO THE TOWN'S SALES TAX OF 3.0 PERCENT UPON THE TOWN'S EXISTING SALES TAX BASE;

ANY SUCH DEBT SHALL BE PAYABLE FROM THAT PORTION OF THE TOWN SALES TAXES DEPOSITED TO THE TOWN'S SALES TAX CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND;

ANY SUCH DEBT MAY BE SOLD IN ONE SERIES OR MORE, ON TERMS AND CONDITIONS AS THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MAY DETERMINE, INCLUDING PROVISIONS FOR THE REDEMPTION OF THE BONDS PRIOR TO MATURITY WITH OR WITHOUT PREMIUM,

ANY SUCH DEBT MAY BE REFUNDED BY THE TOWN, 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 DEBT PROCEEDS AND TAX REVENUES BE COLLECTED, RETAINED AND SPENT AS A VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE AND AN EXCEPTION TO THE REVENUE AND SPENDING 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:\***

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Fiscal Year Spending*</u>
2013 (estimated):	\$ 4,908,225
2012 (actual):	\$ 2,312,698
2011 (actual):	\$ 2,221,263
2010 (actual):	\$ 1,895,116
2009 (actual):	\$ 1,596,812

**Overall Percentage Change from 2009 to 2013: 207%**

**Overall Dollar Change from 2009 to 2013: \$ 3,331,413**

**\* Fiscal Year Spending does not include the Town's Water Enterprise Fund or Wastewater Enterprise Fund.**

**Town Estimate of the Maximum Dollar Amount of the Proposed Tax Increase for the First Full Fiscal Year:**

Ballot Issue 2H 0.75% Sales Tax Increase (Fiscal Year 2014): \$450,000

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

Without Ballot Issue 2H Increase: \$ 2,750,000

**Information on Town's Proposed Debt:**

**BALLOT ISSUE 2H:**

Principal Amount of Proposed Bonds:	Not to exceed \$ 4,558,000
Maximum Annual Town Repayment Cost:	Not to exceed \$ 471,125
Total Town Repayment Cost:	Not to exceed \$ 8,098,417

**Information on Town's Current Debt:**\*

Principal Amount Outstanding Debt:	\$ 0.00
Maximum Annual Repayment Cost:	\$ 0.00
Remaining Total Repayment Cost:	\$ 0.00

\*Excluded from debt are enterprise and annual appropriation obligations.

**Summaries of written comments "FOR" Ballot Issue 2H:**

The proposed .75 percent tax increase to be used for road repair within the Town of Bennett will allow the rebuilding of roads that have become an ongoing maintenance issue. Each current repair does not adequately address the underlying road base. Continued patching will lead to sectional failures that will be more expensive to repair in the future. An increase in tax dedicated to road repair will provide an ongoing funding source to keep the streets serviced for our current use and future growth of business and residences in Bennett. This increase will bring the Bennett town taxes to 3.75 percent. Vote yes on the street tax.

**Summaries of written comments "AGAINST" Ballot Issue 2H:**

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

**TO: ALL REGISTERED VOTERS**

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

**ARAPAHOE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 6  
(Littleton Public Schools)  
Arapahoe County, Colorado**

**Election Date:** Tuesday, November 5, 2013  
**Election Hours:** 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

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

Mr. Matt Crane  
Arapahoe County Clerk and Recorder  
5334 S. Prince Street  
Littleton, Colorado 80166  
Telephone: (303) 795-4511

**Ballot Title and Text:**

**BALLOT ISSUE NO. 3B:**

SHALL ARAPAHOE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 6 (LITTLETON PUBLIC SCHOOLS) DEBT BE INCREASED \$80,000,000 WITH A REPAYMENT COST OF UP TO \$175,000,000, AND SHALL THE DISTRICT BE AUTHORIZED TO COLLECT TAXES SUFFICIENT TO PAY SUCH DEBT BUT NOT EXCEEDING \$8,500,000 ANNUALLY; AND SHALL SUCH DEBT BE A GENERAL OBLIGATION OF THE DISTRICT PAYABLE FROM A MILL LEVY THAT IS CURRENTLY EXPECTED TO REQUIRE NO INCREASE IN THE DISTRICT'S CURRENT 2013 DEBT SERVICE MILL LEVY BUT WHICH, IF NECESSARY, MAY BE INCREASED IN ANY YEAR WITHOUT LIMITATION AS TO RATE BUT ONLY IN AN AMOUNT SUFFICIENT TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND PREMIUM, IF ANY, AND INTEREST ON SUCH DEBT OR ANY DEBT ISSUED TO REFINANCE SUCH DEBT (OR TO CREATE A RESERVE FOR SUCH PAYMENT); AND SHALL SUCH DEBT BE ISSUED FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PURPOSES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

- **EXTENDING THE USEFUL LIFE OF AGING SCHOOL BUILDINGS BY MAKING NECESSARY MAJOR REPAIRS, REPLACEMENTS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE FOLLOWING DETERIORATING AREAS:**
  - **ROOFS AND FLOORING**
  - **FOUNDATIONS AND STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS**
  - **HEATING, VENTILATION AND COOLING SYSTEMS (HVAC)**
  - **PLUMBING AND ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS; AND**
- **MAINTAINING AND UPGRADING CLASSROOMS AND EQUIPMENT IN ORDER TO PROVIDE STUDENTS WITH HANDS-ON LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES IN SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATH (STEM); AND**
- **REPAIRING AND RENOVATING SCHOOL BUILDINGS IN ORDER TO IMPROVE SAFETY AND SECURITY SYSTEMS, INCLUDING:**
  - **REMOVING ASBESTOS FROM SCHOOL BUILDINGS**

- UPGRADING SCHOOL BUILDING SECURITY SYSTEMS
- MAKING REQUIRED SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS UNDER NATIONAL AND STATE BUILDING REGULATIONS; AND
- PROVIDING INFRASTRUCTURE TO MAINTAIN ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AND ENSURE THAT STUDENTS DEVELOP THE NECESSARY SKILLS TO COMPETE FOR THE JOBS OF THE FUTURE; AND

SHALL SUCH DEBT 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 ONE PERCENT; AND SHALL THE DISTRICT 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 DISTRICT 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?

**Total District Fiscal Year Spending**

<u>Fiscal Year</u>		
2013-2014 (budgeted)		\$136,508,319
2012-2013 (unaudited)		\$135,873,357
2011-2012 (actual)		\$135,048,932
2010-2011* (actual)		\$135,224,137
2009-2010 (actual)		\$130,227,659
Overall percentage change from 2009-2010 to 2013-2014		4.82%
Overall dollar change from 2009-2010 to 2013-2014		\$6,280,660

**Proposed Tax Increase**

District Estimate of the Maximum Dollar Amount  
of the Proposed Tax Increase For Fiscal Year 2014-2015  
(the First Full Fiscal Year of the Proposed Tax Increase):

BALLOT ISSUE NO. 3B: \$8,500,000

District Estimate of 2014-2015 Fiscal Year Spending  
Without Proposed Tax Increase: \$137,000,000

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\* Reflects increase in District revenue pursuant to a voter approved override levy of \$12,000,000 approved by the voters in November 2010.



## Information on District's Proposed Debt

### BALLOT ISSUE NO. 3B:

Principal Amount of Proposed Bonds:	Not to exceed \$ 80,000,000
Maximum Annual District Repayment Cost:	Not to exceed \$ 8,500,000
Total District Repayment Cost:	Not to exceed \$175,000,000

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

Principal Amount Outstanding Debt:	\$77,095,000
Maximum Annual Repayment Cost:	\$10,506,575
Remaining Total Repayment Cost:	\$98,422,687

## Summary of Written Comments FOR Ballot Issue No. 3B:

- **Our Schools Are Aging and In Need of Major Repairs, Upgrades, and Improvements**

The average age of Littleton Public School (LPS) district buildings is about 50 years—the oldest was built over 90 years ago. **The useful life of school buildings can be extended**, but major repairs and upgrades are necessary. LPS does not receive any state or federal funding for major building repairs. The district budgets from pupil program revenues \$1.5 million annually for facility maintenance. This is not enough to meet basic needs for heating and cooling, roofs, plumbing, electrical and security systems. **LPS has done its best** to maintain our schools with limited available resources.

Twenty-three school buildings were built years ago and not designed for today's technological, educational and safety needs. Better technology infrastructure including wired and wireless access points will support more **Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM)** programs in all schools.

The district relied on an **independent, citizen-led Capital Improvement Planning Committee** to review needs. The committee identified over \$100 million of projects which were pared down to \$80 million of the most critical needs. Without 3B the district will continue to defer critical renovations and replacement of outdated technology infrastructure. **Many critical needs including** fire protection will not be addressed.

- **Our Schools Need a "Home Equity Loan"**

We need to invest \$80 million for repairs and upgrades. In August, the LPS **Financial Advisory Committee recommended** that the Board of Education move forward with this measure to voters while interest rates remain at historically low rates **With No Tax**

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

**Increase.** The Board moved forward with full support. A **Citizen/Staff Oversight** committee will be formed to govern how the money is spent.

The district already took advantage of low interest rates to refinance existing outstanding bonds. This saved taxpayers millions and allows bonds to be issued without a need to increase taxes. Taxpayers would forgo a reduction of taxes in 2014 that is estimated at \$1 per month for each \$100,000 of home value. For an average home priced at \$300,000, the estimated tax reduction would have been about \$36 a year. **The Senior Homestead Exemption is not affected by 3B.**

- **Why Must We Do This Now?**

Delaying repairs and safety improvements means paying more later, while risking continued deterioration and emergencies. **By voting YES for 3B now**, we can take advantage of historically low interest rates, stretching our dollars further.

We all benefit from excellent public schools. LPS serves as one of our community's best features and has been **Accredited With Distinction** (only district in the metro area to receive this award for four consecutive years) and **LPS ranks #1 in overall student achievement** in the Denver metro area. LPS has a history of **sound financial management**, winning national awards every year. When families relocate, quality schools are a major factor in their decision. **Quality schools increase our property values, protecting our biggest financial investment — *our homes.***

**Vote YES on 3B for Our Community.**

**Summary of Written Comments AGAINST Ballot Issue No. 3B:**

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

TO: ALL REGISTERED VOTERS

**NOTICE OF ELECTION TO INCREASE TAXES/  
TO INCREASE DEBT ON REFERRED MEASURES  
COUNTRY HOMES METROPOLITAN DISTRICT, PARCEL A AND B**

Election Date: Tuesday, November 5, 2013

Election Hours: 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

Local Election Office Address and Telephone Number: Crystal Schenck, Designated Election Official, 390 Union Boulevard, Suite 400, Lakewood, Colorado, 80228; Telephone Number 303-986-1551

**Ballot Title and Text:**

**COUNTRY HOMES METROPOLITAN DISTRICT, PARCELS A AND B,  
BALLOT ISSUE 5B:**

SHALL COUNTRY HOMES METROPOLITAN DISTRICT, PARCELS A AND B DEBT BE INCREASED UP TO \$300,000, WITH A REPAYMENT COST OF UP TO \$595,000; AND SHALL DISTRICT TAXES BE INCREASED UP TO \$30,000 ANNUALLY, OR BY SUCH LESSER AMOUNT AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO PAY THE DISTRICT'S DEBT; SUCH DEBT TO CONSIST OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OR OTHER MULTI-FISCAL YEAR FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS, INCLUDING CONTRACTS, ISSUED OR TO BE ISSUED FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING ALL OR ANY PART OF THE COST OF REHABILITATING THE DISTRICT'S WASTEWATER COLLECTION SYSTEM AND RELATED IMPROVEMENTS; SUCH DEBT TO BEAR INTEREST AT A NET EFFECTIVE INTEREST RATE NOT TO EXCEED 7% PER ANNUM AND BE PAYABLE FROM ANY LEGALLY AVAILABLE REVENUES, INCLUDING A MILL LEVY WITHOUT LIMITATION OF RATE AND IN AMOUNTS SUFFICIENT TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF, PREMIUM, IF ANY, AND INTEREST ON SUCH DEBT, AND HAVE SUCH TERMS AND CONDITIONS AS THE DISTRICT MAY DETERMINE, AND SHALL SUCH TAX REVENUES BE COLLECTED, RETAINED AND SPENT AS A VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE?

**COUNTRY HOMES METROPOLITAN DISTRICT, PARCELS A AND B,  
BALLOT ISSUE 5C:**

SHALL COUNTRY HOMES METROPOLITAN DISTRICT, PARCELS A AND B DEBT BE INCREASED UP TO \$200,000, WITH A REPAYMENT COST OF UP TO \$395,000; AND SHALL DISTRICT TAXES BE INCREASED UP TO \$20,000 ANNUALLY, OR BY SUCH LESSER AMOUNT AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO PAY THE DISTRICT'S DEBT; SUCH DEBT TO CONSIST OF GENERAL

OBLIGATION BONDS OR OTHER MULTI-FISCAL YEAR FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS, INCLUDING CONTRACTS, ISSUED OR TO BE ISSUED FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING ALL OR ANY PART OF THE COST OF REHABILITATING THE DISTRICT'S POTABLE WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM AND RELATED IMPROVEMENTS; SUCH DEBT TO BEAR INTEREST AT A NET EFFECTIVE INTEREST RATE NOT TO EXCEED 7% PER ANNUM AND BE PAYABLE FROM ANY LEGALLY AVAILABLE REVENUES, INCLUDING A MILL LEVY WITHOUT LIMITATION OF RATE AND IN AMOUNTS SUFFICIENT TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF, PREMIUM, IF ANY, AND INTEREST ON SUCH DEBT, AND HAVE SUCH TERMS AND CONDITIONS AS THE DISTRICT MAY DETERMINE, AND SHALL SUCH TAX REVENUES BE COLLECTED, RETAINED AND SPENT AS A VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE?

**Total District Fiscal Year Spending:**

2013 (estimated)	\$181,700
2012 (actual)	\$111,748
2011 (actual)	\$294,928
2010 (actual)	\$149,026
2009 (actual)	\$155,750

Overall percentage change from 2009 to 2013: 16.7%  
 Overall dollar change from 2009 to 2013: \$25,950

**Proposed District Tax Increases, Ballot Issue 5B:**

Estimated first full fiscal year maximum dollar amount of increase: \$ 30,000  
 Estimated first full fiscal year spending without increase: \$181,700

**Proposed District Tax Increases, Ballot Issue 5C:**

Estimated first full fiscal year maximum dollar amount of increase: \$ 20,000  
 Estimated first full fiscal year spending without increase: \$181,700

**Proposed District Bonded Debt:**

**Country Homes Metropolitan District, Parcel A and B, Ballot Issue 5B**

Principal Amount: \$300,000  
 Maximum Annual Repayment Cost: \$ 30,000  
 Total Repayment Cost: \$595,000

**Country Homes Metropolitan District, Parcel A and B, Ballot Issue 5C**

Principal Amount: \$200,000  
 Maximum Annual Repayment Cost: \$ 20,000

Total Repayment Cost: \$395,000

**Current District Bonded Debt:**

Principal Amount Outstanding: \$0  
Maximum Annual Repayment Cost: \$0  
Remaining Total Repayment Cost: \$0

**Summary of Written Comments For the Proposals:**

Vote "YES" on Country Homes Metropolitan District's ballot issues.

It is very important that the Country Homes Metropolitan District's voters approve the District's two ballot issues on November 5, 2013. These ballot issues will allow the District to borrow up to \$300,000 for sanitary sewer system improvements and up to \$200,000 for water distribution system improvements.

The District was organized in 1962. Like other water and sewer providers, the District's water and wastewater collection systems are aging and are in need of renovation. Renovation is necessary so that the District can continue to provide both reliable and quality water and wastewater service. Passage of the ballot issues will enable the District's Board of Directors to borrow funds as needed to address identified renovation issues that, if ignored, will prove far more costly to all of us in the future.

A thorough engineering study submitted to the District's Board of Directors recommends that renovation be undertaken now before either the wastewater or the potable water distribution systems deteriorate to a point where renovations will be significantly more expensive. Deterioration has been observed in reaches of the District's sanitary sewer collection system at both the north and south end of the District. At this time the deterioration can be remedied by a cured in place process that is relatively inexpensive and avoids the need to excavate. The sewer line that crosses beneath Hampden Avenue is of great concern because if this line were to fail it would be prohibitively expensive to fix. Traffic control alone for working in Hampden Avenue would be extremely expensive.

The District's fire hydrants and water valves are also in need of repair and replacement. These components of the water system are very important for fire protection purposes and also for the purpose of isolating sections of the water distribution system in the event of a waterline break.

The ballot questions, if approved, do not require that the Board borrow all the money authorized. The ballot questions give the District's Board of Directors, who are taxpaying residents of the District, the discretion and flexibility to borrow as much money as is needed to effectuate needed renovations. I am confident that our Board will

not borrow more money than is needed and will enter into as advantageous a borrowing arrangement as is possible so that costs to all property owners in the District are kept as low as possible.

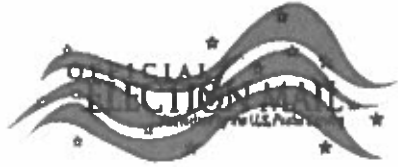
The investment that each of us has in our homes could be jeopardized if the area obtains a reputation for having water or sanitary sewer service issues. For the foregoing reasons, please vote in favor of both ballot issues at the November 5, 2013 election.

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

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

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