



# LARIMER COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER

## NOTICE OF ELECTION

**GENERAL ELECTION  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2020  
7:00 AM - 7:00 PM**

**Angela Myers, Larimer County Clerk and Recorder**

Election Office  
200 W. Oak Street, Suite 5100  
PO Box 1547, Fort Collins, CO 80522  
Phone: (970) 498-7820  
Fax: (970) 498-7847  
Website: [www.votelarimer.org](http://www.votelarimer.org)

Normal Business Hours: Monday – Friday, 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

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### LOCAL BALLOT ISSUES

This Notice of Election was prepared in accordance with Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution and the Colorado Uniform Election Code of 1992, as amended. 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 active, registered electors. You may not be eligible to vote on all ballot issues presented in this Notice.

The Larimer County Clerk and Recorder does not warrant, verify or confirm the accuracy or truth of the ballot titles, issues, text, and summaries of comments as presented, nor is it responsible for errors in spelling, grammar, or punctuation in the materials presented.

For information or clarification concerning any of the following ballot issues, contact the respective Designated Election Official as indicated herein.

Ballot issues for the State will be mailed separately via the State's "Blue Book."

Further, this Notice does not contain ballot issues for those jurisdictions conducting separate elections. A separate Notice will be mailed to the appropriate voters within the jurisdictions conducting an election by mail or polling place. Voters may receive additional materials from other jurisdictions conducting independent elections.

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A General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2020, between the hours of 7AM and 7PM.

The election will be conducted as a mail ballot election. Ballot materials will be mailed during the week of October 12, 2020, to every active, registered voter.

Voted ballots may be returned by mail (postage is 55 cents) or hand delivered to a designated ballot drop-off location or a Voter Service and Polling Center.

After October 26, 2020, it is recommended that voters personally deliver their ballot to any of the drop-off locations listed in the following pages of this Notice.

Ballots must be RECEIVED at the Larimer County Elections Office, a designated ballot drop-off location or a Voter Service and Polling Center by 7PM on Election Day, Tuesday, November 3, 2020.

Ballots received after 7PM on Election Day will not be counted. **Postmarks do not count as a received date.**

Visit our website at [www.votelarimer.org](http://www.votelarimer.org) or call (970) 498-7820 to verify your ballot was received by the Larimer County Elections Office.

## **BALLOT DROP BOX LOCATIONS**

**(Open October 12 – November 3)**

**Voters may drop off their voted ballots 24 hours a day at the following ballot drop box locations. Ballots will be accepted in these boxes until 7PM Election Night:**

### **Berthoud**

Berthoud Community Library, 236 Welch Ave.

### **Estes Park**

Estes Park Vehicle Licensing Office, 1601 Brodie Ave.

Estes Park Municipal Building, 170 MacGregor Ave.

### **Fort Collins**

Colorado State University, Lory Student Center

Elks Lodge, 1424 E. Mulberry St.

Fort Collins Police Services, 2221 S. Timberline Rd.

Fort Collins Senior Center, 1200 Raintree Dr.

Harmony Library, 4616 S. Shields St.

Larimer County Courthouse, 200 W. Oak St.

Larimer County Human Services, 1501 Blue Spruce Dr.

South Transit Center, 4915 Fossil Blvd.

### **LaPorte**

Overland Foods, 3333 County Road 54G

### **Loveland**

Loveland Police & Courts, 810 E. 10<sup>th</sup> St.

Loveland Public Library, 300 N. Adams Ave.

Loveland Vehicle Licensing Office, 200 Peridot Ave.

### **Red Feather Lakes**

Red Feather Lakes Community Library, 71 Fire House Ln.

### **Timnath**

Timnath Public Works Building, 4800 Goodman Rd.

### **Wellington**

Wellington Public Library, 3800 Wilson Ave.

## **GROCERY STORE BALLOT DROP-OFF LOCATIONS**

**(Open October 30 – November 3)**

### **Fort Collins**

King Soopers, 2602 S. Timberline Rd.

King Soopers, 1842 N. College Ave.

Safeway, 1426 E. Harmony Rd.

Safeway, 2160 W. Drake Rd.

### **Loveland**

King Soopers, 1275 Eagle Dr.

**Voters may drop off their voted ballot at the above grocery store locations. Ballots will be accepted at these locations only during the following dates and times:**

**Friday**, October 30 (8AM – 5PM)

**Saturday**, October 31 (8AM – 5PM)

**Monday**, November 2 (8AM – 5PM)

**Tuesday**, November 3, *Election Day* (7AM – 7PM)

**VOTER SERVICE AND POLLING CENTERS (VSPC)**  
**(Open October 19 – November 3)**

**Estes Park**

Estes Valley Community Center, 660 Community Dr.

**Fort Collins**

Colorado State University, Lory Student Center

Larimer County Courthouse, 200 W. Oak St.

**Loveland**

Loveland Police & Courts Building, 810 E. 10<sup>th</sup> St.

**Voters may drop off their voted ballot, obtain a replacement ballot, change their address, register to vote, or vote on an ADA accessible voting machine at the above Voter Service and Polling Centers only during the following dates and times:**

**Monday thru Friday**, October 19 – October 30 (8AM – 5PM)

**Saturday**, October 31 (8AM – 5PM)

**Monday**, November 2 (8AM – 5PM)

**Tuesday**, November 3, *Election Day* (7AM – 7PM)

**Additional Voter Service and Polling Centers (VSPC)**  
**(Open October 30 – November 3)**

**Fort Collins**

Council Tree Covenant Church, 4825 S. Lemay Ave.

Clearwater Church, 2700 S. Lemay Ave.

Drake Centre, 802 W. Drake Rd.

Elks Lodge, 1424 E. Mulberry St.

**Loveland**

Grace Community Church, 240 Barberry Pl.

Immanuel Lutheran Church, 4650 Sunview Dr.

King of Glory Lutheran Church, 2919 N. Wilson Ave.

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**Saturday**, October 31 (8AM – 5PM)

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**Additional Voter Service and Polling Centers (VSPC)**  
**(Open November 2 – November 3)**

**Fort Collins**

Front Range Community College, Longs Peak Student Center

**Voters may drop off their voted ballot, obtain a replacement ballot, change their address, register to vote, or vote on an ADA accessible voting machine at the above Voter Service and Polling Centers only during the following dates and times:**

**Monday**, November 2 (8AM – 5PM)

**Tuesday**, November 3, *Election Day* (7AM – 7PM)

**Additional Voter Service and Polling Centers (VSPC)**  
**(Open November 3)**

**Berthoud**

Brookside Gardens, 619 E. County Road 8

**Fort Collins**

Council Tree Library, 2733 Council Tree Ave.

Hilton Hotel, 425 W. Prospect Rd.

**LaPorte**

American Legion, 2124 County Road 54G

**Loveland**

The Ranch, 5280 Arena Cir.

**Wellington**

River of Life Fellowship, 3161 County Road 62E

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**Tuesday**, November 3, *Election Day* (7AM – 7PM)

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**TO ALL REGISTERED VOTERS  
LOVELAND RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO  
NOTICE OF ELECTION ON A REFERRED MEASURE**

Election Date: November 3, 2020

Election Hours: 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM

Local Election Office Address: Kammy Tinney, Pinnacle Consulting Group, Inc.  
550 W. Eisenhower Blvd, Loveland, Colorado 80537

Telephone Number: (970) 669-3611

**Ballot Title and Text:**

**Ballot Issue 6A**

WITHOUT INCREASING TAXES, STARTING IN 2022 AND THEREAFTER, SHALL LOVELAND RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BE AUTHORIZED TO CONTINUE TO COLLECT 2.90 MILLS APPROVED BY VOTERS IN 2012 FOR GENERAL OPERATING PURPOSES EXPIRING IN 2022, FOR THE PURPOSE OF MEETING THE ONGOING AND FUTURE GENERAL OPERATING NEEDS OF THE DISTRICT, INCLUDING FINANCING THE CONSTRUCTION OF A STRATEGICALLY PLANNED FIRE STATION TO BE LOCATED ON DONATED REAL PROPERTY AND MAINTAINING STAFFING LEVELS NECESSARY TO CONTINUE THE CURRENT HIGH LEVEL OF SERVICE TO DISTRICT RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS?

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

**The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons FOR Ballot Issue 6A:**

Since 1950, Loveland Rural Fire Protection District has provided 24-hour fire suppression, fire prevention, public education, water rescue, rope rescue, large animal rescue, extrication, hazardous materials, and emergency medical services to approximately 25,000 residents in 167 square miles of unincorporated Larimer County that surrounds the City of Loveland and parts of Johnstown. The voter approved addition of 2.90 mills in 2012 is set to expire in 2022. The 2.90 mill tax levy makes up approximately one-third of the total tax revenue for the District. The expiring mill levy, if not extended, will reduce revenue to the Rural Fire District by approximately \$1,237,839 annually. That \$1,237,839 likely translates into a reduction in firefighters, closing of one fire station and no new additional fire stations, an increase in your homeowners insurance, and the likelihood the rural district would not have its monetary commitment to participate in the agreement with the City of Loveland, and would mean likely losing the fire department as it currently exists for the rural district.

The Rural Fire District is not seeking a tax increase or imposing any new tax. It is seeking authorization to keep the mill levy and property tax revenue it will lose as a result of the expiration of the currently authorized 2.90 mill tax levy approved by District voters in 2012. The Rural Fire District's ISO ratings may increase and cause homeowners' and business owners' property insurance rates to increase. Homeowners will pay one-way or another.

**The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons AGAINST Ballot Issue 6A:**

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

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**Ballot Title and Text:**

**Ballot Issue 6B**

WITHOUT INCREASING TAXES IN 2021, SHALL LOVELAND RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BE AUTHORIZED BEGINNING IN 2021 AND ANNUALLY THEREAFTER TO SET THE MILL LEVY AT A RATE SUFFICIENT TO GENERATE THE TAX REVENUES LEVIED IN 2020, AS SUCH AMOUNT IS ADJUSTED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER FOR INFLATION AND LOCAL GROWTH, TO STABILIZE REVENUE FOR OPERATING AND OTHER EXPENSES?

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

**The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons FOR Ballot Issue 6B:**

Amendment to the Colorado Constitution requires non-residential property owners to pay 55% of the total Statewide property taxes, capping Statewide residential property taxes at 45%. Due to the steady increase in residential property values across the State, since 1982 the RAR has been reduced from 21% to its current rate of 7.15%, which equates to a 30% drop in revenue to the Rural Fire District. The drop from the current 7.15% to the proposed 5.88% will equate to approximately \$1,000,000 reduction in revenue to the Rural Fire District, due to the fact that 65% of the Rural Fire District's area is residential. That \$1 million dollars likely translates into a reduction in firefighters, closing of one fire station and no new additional fire stations and meaning the rural district would not have its part to participate in the agreement with the City of Loveland, and would mean likely losing the fire department that they currently have.

The Rural Fire District is not seeking a tax increase. It is seeking authorization to adjust its mill levy rate to keep property tax revenue it will lose as a result of further reductions in the residential assessment rate or changes to the method of calculating Statewide assessed valuation of property. Increasing costs and service demands, and the loss of revenue caused by the Gallagher Amendment, will make it difficult for the Rural Fire District to keep up with increased population, emergency call volume, and inflation, and may adversely affect future staffing, and construction and maintenance of fire trucks and stations. The Rural Fire District's ISO ratings may increase and cause homeowners' and business owners' property insurance rates to increase. Homeowners will pay one-way or another.

**The following summaries were prepared from comments filed by persons AGAINST Ballot Issue 6B:**

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.



## END OF BALLOT ISSUE NOTICE

As required by Colorado Statutes (C.R.S. 1-7-905), I hereby certify the ballot issue notices are complete as submitted by the political subdivisions.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Angela Myers".

Angela Myers  
Larimer County Clerk & Recorder

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