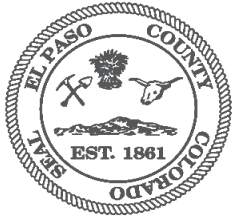




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 El Paso County Clerk and Recorder

# OFFICIAL SAMPLE BALLOT FOR EL PASO COUNTY, COLORADO COORDINATED ELECTION TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2009



**"WARNING:**

**Any person who, by use of force or other means, unduly influences an eligible elector to vote in any particular manner or to refrain from voting, or who falsely makes, alters, forges, or counterfeits any mail ballot before or after it has been cast, or who destroys, defaces, mutilates, or tampers with a ballot is subject, upon conviction, to imprisonment, or to a fine, or both."**

CANDIDATES
<p><b>CITY OF FOUNTAIN MAYOR</b> Two Year Term (Four Year Term if Question 2B is Approved) (Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Jeri C. Howells</p>
<p><b>CITY OF FOUNTAIN COUNCIL MEMBER - WARD 1</b> Four Year Term (Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Gabriel Ortega</p>
<p><b>CITY OF FOUNTAIN COUNCIL MEMBER - WARD 3</b> Four Year Term (Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Sharon Brown</p>
<p><b>CITY OF FOUNTAIN COUNCIL MEMBER - AT LARGE</b> Four Year Term (Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Ratu Solanki  <input type="radio"/> Robert Plyley  <input type="radio"/> Sam Heckman</p>
<p><b>CITY OF MANITOU SPRINGS MAYOR</b> Two-Year Term (Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Nancy Sage Barnes  <input type="radio"/> Marc A. Snyder  <input type="radio"/> Rick Barry</p>
<p><b>CITY OF MANITOU SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL WARD ONE</b> Four-Year Term (Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Michael C. Gerbig, Jr.</p>
<p><b>CITY OF MANITOU SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL WARD TWO</b> Four-Year Term (Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Ingrid Richter</p>
<p><b>CITY OF MANITOU SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL WARD THREE</b> Four-Year Term (Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Karen Cullen  <input type="radio"/> Matt Carpenter</p>
<p><b>FOUNTAIN-FORT CARSON SCHOOL DISTRICT 8 DIRECTOR</b> Four Year Term (Vote for Two)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Dawn Bentley  <input type="radio"/> Suzanne Clark Foster  <input type="radio"/> Dale M. Rough, III</p>
<p><b>ELLICOTT SCHOOL DISTRICT 22 DIRECTOR</b> Four Year Term (Vote for Three)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Jennifer Ades  <input type="radio"/> Sherry Ann Ferriman  <input type="radio"/> Robert N. Miller  <input type="radio"/> Gary A. Dahn  <input type="radio"/> MaryAnna Clemons  <input type="radio"/> Beatrice Mae Twiss  <input type="radio"/> Stefanie Dickinson  <input type="radio"/> Gary Lake  <input type="radio"/> Katrina Sutton</p>
<p><b>MANITOU SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT 14 DIRECTOR</b> Four Year Term (Vote for Two)</p> <p>Marsha Ann Weimer - (WITHDRAWN)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Molly Stevens  <input type="radio"/> Clemente "Gino" Mendoza</p>
<p><b>ACADEMY SCHOOL DISTRICT 20 DIRECTOR</b> Four Year Term (Vote for Three)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Doug Lundberg  <input type="radio"/> Tracey Johnson  <input type="radio"/> Terry Kunkel  <input type="radio"/> Catherine Bullock  <input type="radio"/> Linda Van Matre  <input type="radio"/> Fran Reichert  <input type="radio"/> Mark Smith  <input type="radio"/> Dan Reifschneider  <input type="radio"/> James M. Jenista</p>
<p><b>LEWIS-PALMER SCHOOL DISTRICT 38 DIRECTOR DISTRICT 1</b> Four Year Term (Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Jeffery M. Ferguson</p>

<p><b>LEWIS-PALMER SCHOOL DISTRICT 38 DIRECTOR DISTRICT 3</b> Four Year Term (Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> David J. Cloud  <input type="radio"/> Gail T. Wilson</p>
<p><b>LEWIS-PALMER SCHOOL DISTRICT 38 DIRECTOR DISTRICT 4</b> Two Year Term (Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Mark A. Pfoff</p>
<p><b>LEWIS-PALMER SCHOOL DISTRICT 38 DIRECTOR DISTRICT 5</b> Two Year Term (Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Robb S. Pike</p>
<p><b>FALCON SCHOOL DISTRICT 49 DIRECTOR</b> Four Year Term (Vote for Three)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Donahue C. Quashie  <input type="radio"/> Tammy Harold  <input type="radio"/> John Koster  <input type="radio"/> Christopher L. Wright  <input type="radio"/> Jackie Vialpando  <input type="radio"/> Danielle Lindorf  <input type="radio"/> Jon B. Rowley</p>
<p><b>HANOVER SCHOOL DISTRICT 28 DIRECTOR</b> Four Year Term (Vote for Two)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Mark A. McPherson  <input type="radio"/> Thomas A. Humiston  <input type="radio"/> Write-in</p>
<p><b>HANOVER SCHOOL DISTRICT 28 DIRECTOR</b> Two Year Term (Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Rik Noring Jr.  <input type="radio"/> James Tyler</p>
<p><b>COLORADO SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT 11 BOARD OF EDUCATION DIRECTOR</b> Four Year Term (Vote for Three)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Al Loma  <input type="radio"/> Chyrese Exline  <input type="radio"/> Delia Armstrong-Busby  <input type="radio"/> LuAnn Long  <input type="radio"/> Sandra Mann</p>
<p><b>CALHAN SCHOOL DISTRICT RJ-1 DIRECTOR</b> Four Year Term (Vote for Three)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Rachel Britton  <input type="radio"/> Maria P. Herndon  <input type="radio"/> Timothy J. Swanson  <input type="radio"/> Scott Mikita  <input type="radio"/> Dan Crook  <input type="radio"/> Nile Fischer</p>
<p><b>HARRISON SCHOOL DISTRICT 2 DIRECTOR</b> Four Year Term (Vote for Three)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Richard Price  <input type="radio"/> Deborah L. Hendrix  <input type="radio"/> Linda M. Pugh  <input type="radio"/> Steve Hester  <input type="radio"/> I. Ed Ralston</p>
<p><b>FREMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-2 DIRECTOR DISTRICT "A"</b> Four Year Term (Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Robert M. Wood</p>
<p><b>FREMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-2 DIRECTOR DISTRICT "B"</b> Two Year Term (Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Bart Hall  <input type="radio"/> Jody Purvis</p>
<p><b>FREMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-2 DIRECTOR DISTRICT "D"</b> Four Year Term (Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Dave Smith  <input type="radio"/> Clinton Duane Robertson</p>
<p><b>FREMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-2 DIRECTOR DISTRICT "E"</b> Two Year Term (Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Michael Till  <input type="radio"/> Andy Franklin</p>
<p><b>FREMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-2 DIRECTOR DISTRICT "F"</b> Four Year Term (Vote for One)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Donald W. Droll Jr.</p>

**QUESTIONS OR ISSUES**

"Ballot issues referred by the general assembly or any political subdivision are listed by letter, and ballot issues initiated by the people are listed numerically. 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."

**2A - CITY OF FOUNTAIN**

SHALL CITY OF FOUNTAIN TAXES BE INCREASED \$1,352,000 (FIRST FULL FISCAL YEAR DOLLAR INCREASE) ANNUALLY AND BY WHATEVER ADDITIONAL AMOUNTS ARE RAISED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER, SUCH TAX TO BE IMPLEMENTED BY AN AMENDMENT TO THE FOUNTAIN MUNICIPAL CODE TO CONSIST OF A RATE INCREASE IN THE CITY-WIDE SALES TAX OF 0.75% (SEVENTY-FIVE HUNDREDTHS OF ONE PERCENT WHICH REPRESENTS THREE-QUARTERS OF A CENT ON EACH ONE DOLLAR PURCHASE) (AN INCREASE IN THE SALES TAX RATE FROM 3% TO 3.75%) BEGINNING ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2010, WITH A REDUCTION OF SUCH TAX RATE INCREASE TO 0.40% (FORTY HUNDREDTHS OF ONE PERCENT WHICH REPRESENTS FOUR-TENTHS OF A CENT ON EACH ONE DOLLAR PURCHASE) (TO A SALES TAX RATE OF 3.40%) TEN YEARS AFTER THE BEGINNING OF THE TAX FOR TRANSPORTATION FUNDING INCLUDING TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS, TRANSPORTATION SERVICES, TRANSPORTATION MAINTENANCE AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AS FOLLOWS:

- THE 0.35% (THIRTY-FIVE HUNDREDTHS OF ONE PERCENT) PORTION OF THE SALES TAX INCREASE SHALL END TEN YEARS AFTER THE BEGINNING OF THE TAX AND SHALL BE USED TO PAY FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TO STREETS INCLUDING PAVING, CURBS, GUTTERS, MEDIANS, SIDEWALKS AND/OR NECESSARY DRAINAGE FACILITIES, TRAFFIC SIGNALS AND SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE FOLLOWING PROJECTS:
- RAILROAD CROSSING HORN QUIET ZONE & SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS
- DUCKWOOD ROAD/STATE HIGHWAY 85 INTERSECTION & RAILROAD CROSSING IMPROVEMENTS-REPLACES MESA ROAD CROSSING
- C&S ROAD CONNECTION TO DUCKWOOD ROAD/MESA ROAD
- COMANCHE VILLAGE/STATE HIGHWAY 85 INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS
- FOUNTAIN MESA ROAD/C&S ROAD INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS
- OHIO AVENUE/JIMMY CAMP ROAD INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS
- CARSON BLVD/STATE HIGHWAY 85 TRAFFIC SIGNAL
- MONTEREY WAY IMPROVEMENTS-COMANCHE VILLAGE TO C&S ROAD
- AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT SIDEWALK CORNER RAMP IMPROVEMENTS
- TRAFFIC CALMING - VARIOUS LOCATIONS:

AND

- THE 0.25% (TWENTY-FIVE HUNDREDTHS OF ONE PERCENT) PORTION OF THE SALES TAX INCREASE SHALL BE USED FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION INCLUDING TRANSIT SERVICES, TRANSIT IMPROVEMENTS, AND TRANSIT MAINTENANCE WHICH MAY INCLUDE FIXED-ROUTE BUS SERVICE, EXPRESS BUS SERVICE, OTHER BUS SERVICE, PARATRANSIT SERVICE, DIAL-A-RIDE TRANSIT SERVICE, TRANSIT VEHICLES, TRANSIT EQUIPMENT, AND/OR TRANSIT FACILITIES; AND
- THE 0.15% (FIFTEEN HUNDREDTHS OF ONE PERCENT) PORTION OF THE SALES TAX INCREASE SHALL BE USED TO PAY FOR PUBLIC STREET RESURFACING;

AND SHALL ALL TAX REVENUES GENERATED FROM THE SALES TAX AUTHORIZED HEREIN AND FROM ANY EARNINGS FROM THE INVESTMENT OF SUCH 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 OR ANY OTHER LAW?

 YES NO**2B - CITY OF FOUNTAIN**

Shall Article II, Section 2.3 (b) of the Home Rule Charter of the City of Fountain be amended to read as follows? The Mayor shall have the qualifications of age and residency as provided in Section 2.2 (a) of this Charter, and shall be elected at-large by popular vote of the electors. The term of office shall be four years, and no Mayor may serve more than two regularly elected consecutive terms. Starting with the regular Municipal election on the first Tuesday in November 2009, (November 3, 2009) the person elected to the office of Mayor at that election shall be elected for a four year term of office. Any person previously elected to the office of the mayor shall be eligible to serve consecutive terms of office if the total of the consecutive terms of office is eight consecutive years or less.

 YES NO**300 - CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS**

"Shall an initiated ordinance be adopted by the City of Colorado Springs to read as follows:

Excluding sales and use taxes forwarded from enterprise customers, all enterprise payments to the city shall phase out in eight or fewer equal yearly steps starting in January, 2010, with all yearly savings passed on as reductions to each customer bill in dollar amounts as equal as possible. Hereafter, all loans, gifts, and subsidies between an enterprise and the city or another enterprise are prohibited?"

 FOR THE INITIATED ORDINANCE AGAINST THE INITIATED ORDINANCE**2C - CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS**

"SHALL CITY TAXES BE INCREASED \$46,000,000 ANNUALLY BY INCREASING 2009 GENERAL PROPERTY TAX 6.00 MILLS, 1.00 ADDITIONAL MILL PER YEAR FOR FOUR YEARS, CONTINUING THEREAFTER, CONSTITUTING VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE?"

 YES NO**2D - CITY OF MANITOU SPRINGS**

Shall Section 10.7 of the City of Manitou Springs Home Rule Charter regarding the Capital Improvements Fund be repealed and reenacted in its entirety, as shown below, to set forth Capital Budget Requirements and shall Section 10.8(b) of the City of Manitou Springs Home Rule Charter be amended to comport therewith with language to be deleted appearing in strikethrough?

**10.7 Capital Improvements Fund. Capital Budget Requirements.**

~~There is hereby established a fund to be known as the Capital Improvements Fund for the purpose of paying the cost of capital improvements.~~

~~The Council shall, by ordinance, define the rules and regulations pertaining to such fund which shall consist of one-sixth (1/6th) of the City Sales Tax, including the Building and Construction Use Tax and the Motor Vehicle Use Tax. Said Capital Improvements Fund may only be used for city improvements such as land acquisitions, building and/or construction, major equipment purchase or road improvements.~~

~~The Council shall have the power to transfer monies from the General Fund to the Capital Improvements Fund. Appropriations for the Capital Improvements Fund shall be made annually and shall be nontransferable, except that any unappropriated balance in the Capital Improvements Fund may be transferred by Council only for the payment of outstanding bonded indebtedness of the City. Payments and contracts in effect at the time of the approval of this amendment will be honored.~~

(a) No later than three (3) months prior to meeting the annual budget requirements set by Sections 10.1, 10.2 and 10.3 in this Charter, the City Manager shall prepare and Council shall review and approve a multiple year capital budget. Until such time as the City transitions to a Council/Manager form of government, the City's chief administrative officer or the Mayor and Council shall prepare the capital budget. The capital budget shall include the following items:

- (1) A clear general summary of its contents;
- (2) Identification of the long-term goals of the City;
- (3) A list of all capital improvements and other capital expenditures that are proposed to be undertaken during the fiscal years next ensuing, with appropriate supporting information as to the necessity for each;
- (4) Cost estimates and recommended time schedules for each improvement of other capital expenditure;
- (5) Method of financing upon which each capital expenditure is to be reliant;
- (6) The estimated annual cost of operating and maintaining the facilities to be constructed or acquired;
- (7) A commentary on how the plan addresses the sustainability of the City and its surrounding areas;
- (8) Methods to measure outcomes and performance of the capital budget related to the long-term goals of the City.

(b) The above shall be revised and extended each year with regard to capital improvements that are pending or are in the process of construction or acquisition.

(c) The Council shall publish the general summary of the capital budget and a notice stating the times and places where copies of the capital budget are available for inspection by the public and the time and place, not less than two (2) weeks after such publication, for a public hearing on the capital budget.

(d) The City Council shall by resolution adopt the capital budget, with or without amendment, after the public hearing and on or before October 31 of each year.

**10.8 Budget Control.**

(b) The Council may by resolution transfer any unencumbered appropriation balance or any portion thereof from one account, department, office, fund or agency to another. ~~with the exception of the Capital Improvement Fund as noted in Chapter 10.7 in this Charter.~~

 YES NO**END OF BALLOT****ATTENTION:  
IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS**

If you are required to provide ID, the back of your official return envelope will include the following: ID REQUIRED PLACE COPY IN RETURN ENVELOPE. If your return envelope includes this statement, place a photocopy of one of the following ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF IDENTIFICATION into the Official Return Envelope. Do not place the photocopied identification in the Secrecy Sleeve with your voted ballot. Postage of \$.44 will be required to return the November 3, 2009 ballot by mail. Additional postage may be required on the return envelope if you are required to submit a photocopy of your ID.

- A valid Colorado driver's license;
- A valid identification card issued by the Department of Revenue;
- A valid U.S. passport;
- A valid employee identification card with a photograph of the eligible elector issued by any branch, department, agency, or entity of the United States government or of this state, or by any county, municipality, board, authority, or other political subdivision of this state;
- A valid pilot's license issued by the federal aviation administration or other authorized agency of the United States;
- A valid United States military identification card with a photograph of the eligible elector;
- A copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check or other government document that shows the name and address of the elector;
- A valid Medicare or Medicaid card issued by the United States Health Care Financing Administration;
- A certified copy of a United States 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 institution of higher education in Colorado.

Any form of identification that shows the address of the eligible elector shall be considered identification

**ELECTION INFORMATION**

**DESIGNATED BALLOT DROP OFF SITE INFORMATION:** All sites are open weekdays during the times specified below and 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Election Day. - unless otherwise specified;

**El Paso County Clerk & Recorder's Office  
Centennial Hall**  
200 South Cascade Avenue  
(Downtown)  
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Mon-Thur  
Beginning 10/12/09 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Mon-Fri

**El Paso County Clerk & Recorder's Office  
Powers Branch**  
5650 Industrial Place  
(Southeast corner of Powers Blvd. and Airport Rd.)  
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Mon-Thur

**El Paso County Clerk & Recorder's Office  
Chapel Hills Branch**  
Chapel Hills Mall  
(On north side next to JCPenney)  
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Mon-Fri

**REPLACEMENT BALLOT INFORMATION:** If you spoil, deface or lose your ballot, you may obtain a replacement ballot, one at a time, not to exceed three ballots in all. You may contact the Elections Department to obtain instructions for requesting a replacement ballot by calling (719) 575-VOTE (8683) during regular business hours, as listed above, or on Election Day from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

**DEADLINE FOR RETURNING BALLOTS:** Ballots must be received by the El Paso County Clerk & Recorder's Office by 7:00 p.m. on Election Day in order for your vote to be counted. Ballots received after 7:00 p.m. will not be counted. Postmarks do not count as received.

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** Contact the Election Department at (719) 575-VOTE (8683) or visit our website at: <http://car.elpasoco.com/election>

**PLEASE NOTE:** This sample ballot does not include special districts or municipalities conducting independent mail ballot elections.

Election night results may be found at the website listed above after 7:00 p.m.