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OFFICIAL SAMPLE BALLOT FOR 2008 GENERAL ELECTION

EL PASO COUNTY, COLORADO

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2008



FEDERAL OFFICES	
<b>PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS FOR PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT (Vote for One Pair)</b>	
<input type="radio"/> John McCain / Sarah Palin	Republican
<input type="radio"/> Barack Obama / Joe Biden	Democratic
<input type="radio"/> Chuck Baldwin / Darrell L. Castle	Constitution
<input type="radio"/> Bob Barr / Wayne A. Root	L bertarian
<input type="radio"/> Cynthia McKinney / Rosa A. Clemente	Green
<input type="radio"/> Jonathan E. Allen / Jeffrey D. Stath	HeartQuake '08
<input type="radio"/> Gene C. Amondson / Leroy J. Pletten	Prohibition
<input type="radio"/> James Harris / Alyson Kennedy	Socialist Workers
<input type="radio"/> Charles Jay / Dan Sallis Jr.	Boston Tea
<input type="radio"/> Alan Keyes / Brian Rohrbough	America's Independent
<input type="radio"/> Gloria La Riva / Robert Moses	Socialism and Liberation
<input type="radio"/> Bradford Lyttle / Abraham Bassford	U.S. Pacifist
<input type="radio"/> Frank Edward McNulty / David Mangan	Unaffiliated
<input type="radio"/> Brian Moore / Stewart A. Alexander	Socialist, USA
<input type="radio"/> Ralph Nader / Matt Gonzalez	Unaffiliated
<input type="radio"/> Thomas Robert Stevens / Alden Link	Objectivist
<b>UNITED STATES SENATOR (Vote for One)</b>	
<input type="radio"/> Bob Schaffer	Republican
<input type="radio"/> Mark Udall	Democratic
<input type="radio"/> Bob Kinsey	Green
<input type="radio"/> Douglas "Dayhorse" Campbell	American Constitution
<input type="radio"/> Write-in _____	
<b>REPRESENTATIVE TO THE 11th UNITED STATES CONGRESS - DISTRICT 5 (Vote for One)</b>	
<input type="radio"/> Hal Bidlack	Democratic
<input type="radio"/> Doug Lamborn	Republican
<input type="radio"/> Brian X. Scott	American Constitution
Signed declaration to limit service to no more than 3 terms	
<input type="radio"/> Write-in _____	

DISTRICT ATTORNEY 4th JUDICIAL DISTRICT (Vote for One)	
<input type="radio"/> Dan May	Republican
<b>COUNTY OFFICES</b>	
COUNTY COMMISSIONER - DISTRICT 2 (Vote for One)	
<input type="radio"/> Allison J. Hunter	Democratic
<input type="radio"/> Amy Lathen	Republican
COUNTY COMMISSIONER - DISTRICT 3 (Vote for One)	
<input type="radio"/> Sallie Clark	Republican
<input type="radio"/> Pam Berry	Democratic
COUNTY COMMISSIONER - DISTRICT 4 (Vote for One)	
<input type="radio"/> Andre' Vigil	Democratic
<input type="radio"/> Dennis C. Hisey	Republican
JUSTICE OF THE COLORADO SUPREME COURT (Vote Yes or No)	
Shall Justice Allison H. Eid of the Colorado Supreme Court be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
Shall Justice Gregory J. Hobbs Jr. of the Colorado Supreme Court be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
COURT OF APPEALS (Vote Yes or No)	
Shall Judge Steven L. Bernard of the Colorado Court of Appeals be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
Shall Judge David M. Furman of the Colorado Court of Appeals be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
Shall Judge Robert D. Hawthorne of the Colorado Court of Appeals be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
Shall Judge Jerry N. Jones of the Colorado Court of Appeals be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
Shall Judge Gilbert M. Roman of the Colorado Court of Appeals be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
Shall Judge Diana L. Terry of the Colorado Court of Appeals be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
DISTRICT JUDGE - 4th JUDICIAL DISTRICT (Vote Yes or No)	
Shall Judge Edward S. Colt of the 4th Judicial District be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
Shall Judge Ronald G. Crowder of the 4th Judicial District be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
Shall Judge Jann P. DuBois of the 4th Judicial District be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
Shall Judge Thomas Kelly Kane of the 4th Judicial District be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
Shall Judge Thomas L. Kennedy of the 4th Judicial District be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
Shall Judge David S. Prince of the 4th Judicial District be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
Shall Judge Kirk S. Samelson of the 4th Judicial District be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
Shall Judge Gregory R. Werner of the 4th Judicial District be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
COUNTY JUDGE - EL PASO (Vote Yes or No)	
Shall Judge Karla J. Hansen of the El Paso County Court be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
Shall Judge Daniel S. Wilson of the El Paso County Court be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
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."	
STATE OF COLORADO INITIATIVES	
Amendment 46	
Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning a prohibition against discrimination by the state, and, in connection therewith, proh biting the state from discriminating against or granting preferential treatment to any individual or group on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin in the operation of public employment, public education, or public contracting; allowing exceptions to the prohibition when bona fide qualifications based on sex are reasonably necessary or when action is necessary to establish or maintain eligibility for federal funds; preserving the validity of court orders or consent decrees in effect at the time the measure becomes effective; defining "state" to include the state of Colorado, agencies or departments of the state, public institutions of higher education, political subdivisions, or governmental instrumentalities of or within the state; and making portions of the measure found invalid severable from the remainder of the measure?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	

Amendment 47	
Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning participation in a labor organization as a condition of employment, and, in connection therewith, prohibiting an employer from requiring that a person be a member and pay any moneys to a labor organization or to any other third party in lieu of payment to a labor organization and creating a misdemeanor criminal penalty for a person who violates the provisions of the section?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
Amendment 48	
Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution defining the term "person" to include any human being from the moment of fertilization as "person" is used in those provisions of the Colorado constitution relating to inalienable rights, equality of justice, and due process of law?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
Amendment 49	
Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning deductions from governmental payroll systems, and, in connection therewith, prohibiting a governmental payroll system from taking a payroll deduction from any government employee except deductions required by federal law, tax withholdings, judicial liens and garnishments, deductions for individual or group health benefits or other insurance, deductions for pension or retirement plans or systems, or other savings or investment programs, and charitable deductions?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
Amendment 50	
SHALL THERE BE AN AMENDMENT TO THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION CONCERNING VOTER-APPROVED REVISIONS TO LIMITED GAMING, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, ALLOWING THE LOCAL VOTERS IN CENTRAL CITY, BLACK HAWK, AND CRIPPLE CREEK TO EXTEND CASINO HOURS OF OPERATION, APPROVED GAMES TO INCLUDE ROULETTE AND CRAPS OR BOTH, AND MAXIMUM SINGLE BETS UP TO \$100; ADJUSTING DISTRIBUTIONS TO CURRENT GAMING FUND RECIPIENTS FOR GROWTH IN GAMING TAX REVENUE DUE TO VOTER-APPROVED REVISIONS IN GAMING; DISTRIBUTING 78% OF THE REMAINING GAMING TAX REVENUE FROM THIS AMENDMENT FOR STUDENT FINANCIAL AID AND CLASSROOM INSTRUCTION AT COMMUNITY COLLEGES ACCORDING TO THE PROPORTION OF THEIR RESPECTIVE STUDENT ENROLLMENTS, AND 22% FOR LOCAL GAMING IMPACTS IN GILPIN AND TELLER COUNTIES AND THE CITIES OF CENTRAL CITY, BLACK HAWK, AND CRIPPLE CREEK ACCORDING TO THE PROPORTION OF INCREASED TAX REVENUE FROM VOTER-APPROVED REVISIONS IN EACH CITY OR COUNTY; AND REQUIRING ANY INCREASE IN GAMING TAXES FROM THE LEVELS IMPOSED AS OF JULY 1, 2008 TO BE APPROVED AT A STATEWIDE ELECTION, IF LOCAL VOTERS IN ONE OR MORE CITIES HAVE APPROVED ANY REVISION TO LIMITED GAMING?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
Amendment 51	
SHALL STATE TAXES BE INCREASED \$186.1 MILLION ANNUALLY AFTER FULL IMPLEMENTATION BY AN AMENDMENT TO THE COLORADO REVISED STATUTES CONCERNING AN INCREASE IN THE STATE SALES AND USE TAX TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR LONG-TERM SERVICES FOR PERSONS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, AND, IN CONNECTION HEREWITH, INCREASING THE RATE OF THE STATE SALES AND USE TAX BEGINNING ON JULY 1, 2009, BY ONE-TENTH OF ONE PERCENT IN EACH OF THE NEXT TWO FISCAL YEARS; PERMITTING THE STATE TO RETAIN AND SPEND ALL REVENUES FROM THE NEW TAX, NOTWITHSTANDING THE STATE SPENDING LIMIT; REQUIRING AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE NET REVENUE FROM THE NEW TAX TO BE DEPOSITED IN THE NEWLY CREATED DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES LONG-TERM SERVICES CASH FUND; REQUIRING THE MONEY IN THE FUND TO BE USED TO PROVIDE LONG-TERM SERVICES FOR PERSONS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES; AND PROHIBITING REDUCTIONS IN THE LEVEL OF STATE APPROPRIATIONS IN THE ANNUAL GENERAL APPROPRIATION BILL EXISTING ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS MEASURE FOR LONG-TERM SERVICES FOR PERSONS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
Amendment 52	
Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning the allocation of revenues from the state severance tax imposed on minerals and mineral fuels other than oil shale that are extracted in the state, and, in connection therewith, for fiscal years commencing on or after July 1, 2008, requiring half of the revenues to be credited to the local government severance tax fund and the remaining revenues to be credited first to the severance tax trust fund until an annually calculated limit is reached and then to a new Colorado transportation trust fund, which may be used only to fund the construction, maintenance, and supervision of public highways in the state, giving first priority to reducing congestion on the Interstate 70 corridor?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
Amendment 53	
Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado Revised Statutes extending the criminal liability of a business entity to its executive officials for the entity's failure to perform a specific duty imposed by law, and, in connection therewith, conditioning an executive official's liability upon his or her knowledge of the duty imposed by law and of the business entity's failure to perform such duty; and allowing an executive official who discloses to the attorney general all facts known to the official concerning a business's criminal conduct to use that disclosure as an affirmative defense to criminal charges?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
Amendment 54	
Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning restrictions on campaign contributions, and, in connection therewith, proh biting the holder of contracts totaling \$100,000 or more, as indexed for inflation, awarded by state or local governments without competitive bidding ("sole source government contracts"), including certain collective bargaining agreements, from making a contribution for the benefit of a political party or candidate for elective office during the term	

of the contracts and for 2 years thereafter; disqualifying a person who makes a contrbution in a ballot issue election from entering into a sole source government contract related to the ballot issue; and imposing liability and penalties on contract holders, certain of their owners, officers and directors, and government officials for violations of the amendment?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
Amendment 55	
Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning cause for employee discharge or suspension, and, in connection therewith, requiring an employer to establish and document just cause for the discharge or suspension of a full-time employee; defining "just cause" to mean specified types of employee misconduct and substandard job performance, the filing of bankruptcy by the employer, or documented economic circumstances that directly and adversely affect the employer; exempting from the just cause requirement business entities that employ fewer than twenty employees, nonprofit organizations that employ fewer than one thousand employees, governmental entities, and employees who are covered by a collective bargaining agreement that requires just cause for discharge or suspension; allowing an employee who believes he or she was discharged or suspended without just cause to file a civil action in state district court; allowing a court that finds an employee's discharge or suspension to be in violation of this amendment to award reinstatement in the employee's former job, back wages, damages, or any combination thereof; and allowing the court to award attorneys fees to the prevailing party?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
Amendment 56	
Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado Constitution concerning health care coverage for employees, and, in connection therewith, requiring employers that regularly employ twenty or more employees to provide major medical health care coverage to their employees; excluding the state and its political subdivisions from the definition of "employer"; allowing an employer to provide such health care coverage either directly through a carrier, company, or organization or acting as a self-insurer, or indirectly by paying premiums to a health insurance authority to be created pursuant to this measure that will contract with health insurance carriers, companies, and organizations to provide coverage to employees; providing that employees shall not be required to pay more than twenty percent of the premium for such coverage for themselves and more than thirty percent of such coverage for the employees' dependents; financing the costs of administering the health insurance authority and health care coverage provided through the authority with premiums paid by employers to the authority and, if necessary, such revenue sources other than the state general fund as determined by the general assembly; directing the general assembly to enact such laws as are necessary to implement the measure; and setting the effective date of the measure to be no later than November 1, 2009?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
Amendment 57	
Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado Revised Statutes concerning a safe workplace for employees, and, in connection therewith, requiring employers to provide safe and healthy workplaces for their employees; restricting such requirement to employers regularly employing ten or more employees in the state; and enabling employees who are injured because of an employer's violation of this requirement to file suit in district court, with the right to a jury trial, to recover compensatory and exemplary damages, actual past or future pecuniary losses, and noneconomic losses including pain and suffering, emotional distress, inconvenience, mental anguish, and loss of enjoyment of life, but prohibiting injured employees from recovering any damages for which the employee already received compensation pursuant to the "Workers' Compensation Act of Colorado"?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
Amendment 58	
SHALL STATE TAXES BE INCREASED \$321.4 MILLION ANNUALLY BY AN AMENDMENT TO THE COLORADO REVISED STATUTES CONCERNING THE SEVERANCE TAX ON OIL AND GAS EXTRACTED IN THE STATE, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, FOR TAXABLE YEARS COMMENCING ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2009, CHANGING THE TAX TO 5% OF TOTAL GROSS INCOME FROM THE SALE OF OIL AND GAS EXTRACTED IN THE STATE WHEN THE AMOUNT OF ANNUAL GROSS INCOME IS AT LEAST \$300,000; ELIMINATING A CREDIT AGAINST THE SEVERANCE TAX FOR PROPERTY TAXES PAID BY OIL AND GAS PRODUCERS AND INTEREST OWNERS; REDUCING THE LEVEL OF PRODUCTION THAT QUALIFIES WELLS FOR AN EXEMPTION FROM THE TAX; EXEMPTING REVENUES FROM THE TAX AND RELATED INVESTMENT INCOME FROM STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT SPENDING LIMITS; AND REQUIRING THE TAX REVENUES TO BE CREDITED AS FOLLOWS: (A) 22% TO THE SEVERANCE TAX TRUST FUND, (B) 22% TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT SEVERANCE TAX FUND, AND (C) 56% TO A NEW SEVERANCE TAX STABILIZATION TRUST FUND, OF WHICH 60% IS USED TO FUND SCHOLARSHIPS FOR COLORADO RESIDENTS ATTENDING STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES, 15% TO FUND THE PRESERVATION OF NATIVE WILDLIFE HABITAT, 10% TO FUND RENEWABLE ENERGY AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS, 10% TO FUND TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS IN COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES IMPACTED BY THE SEVERANCE OF OIL AND GAS, AND 5% TO FUND COMMUNITY DRINKING WATER AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT GRANTS?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
Amendment 59	
SHALL THERE BE AN AMENDMENT TO THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION CONCERNING THE MANNER IN WHICH THE STATE FUNDS PUBLIC EDUCATION FROM PRESCHOOL THROUGH THE TWELFTH GRADE, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, FOR THE 2010-11 STATE FISCAL YEAR AND EACH STATE FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, REQUIRING THAT ANY REVENUE THAT THE STATE WOULD OTHERWISE BE REQUIRED TO REFUND PURSUANT TO THE CONSTITUTIONAL LIMIT ON STATE FISCAL YEAR SPENDING BE TRANSFERRED INSTEAD TO THE	

STATE EDUCATION FUND; ELIMINATING THE REQUIREMENT THAT, FOR THE 2011-12 STATE FISCAL YEAR AND EACH STATE FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, THE STATEWIDE BASE PER PUPIL FUNDING FOR PUBLIC EDUCATION FROM PRESCHOOL THROUGH THE TWELFTH GRADE AND THE TOTAL STATE FUNDING FOR ALL CATEGORICAL PROGRAMS INCREASE ANNUALLY BY AT LEAST THE RATE OF INFLATION; CREATING A SAVINGS ACCOUNT IN THE STATE EDUCATION FUND; REQUIRING THAT A PORTION OF THE STATE INCOME TAX REVENUE THAT IS DEPOSITED IN THE STATE EDUCATION FUND BE CREDITED TO THE SAVINGS ACCOUNT IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; REQUIRING EITHER A TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY VOTE OF EACH HOUSE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OR, IN ANY STATE FISCAL YEAR IN WHICH COLORADO PERSONAL INCOME GROWS LESS THAN SIX PERCENT BETWEEN THE TWO PREVIOUS CALENDAR YEARS, A SIMPLE MAJORITY VOTE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO USE THE MONEYS IN THE SAVINGS ACCOUNT; ESTABLISHING THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH MONEYS IN THE SAVINGS ACCOUNT MAY BE SPENT; ESTABLISHING A MAXIMUM AMOUNT THAT MAY BE IN THE SAVINGS ACCOUNT IN ANY STATE FISCAL YEAR; AND ALLOWING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO TRANSFER MONEYS FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE STATE EDUCATION FUND, SO LONG AS CERTAIN OBLIGATIONS FOR TRANSPORTATION FUNDING ARE MET?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
STATE OF COLORADO REFERENDUMS	
<b>Referendum L</b>	
An amendment to section 4 of article V of the constitution of the state of Colorado, concerning the ability of an elector of the state of Colorado who has attained the age of twenty-one years to serve as a member of the Colorado general assembly.	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
<b>Referendum M</b>	
Shall section 7 of article XVIII of the state constitution concerning outdated, obsolete provisions regarding land value increase be repealed?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
<b>Referendum N</b>	
Shall there be a repeal of section 5 of article XVIII and article XXII of the state constitution, concerning the elimination of outdated obsolete provisions of the state constitution?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
<b>Referendum O</b>	
Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning ballot initiatives, and, in connection therewith, increasing the number of signatures required for a proposed initiative to amend the state constitution; reducing the number of signatures required for a proposed statutory initiative; requiring a minimum number of signatures for a proposed initiative to amend the state constitution to be gathered from residents of each congressional district in the state; increasing the time allowed to gather signatures for a proposed statutory initiative; modifying the review of initiative petitions; establishing a filing deadline for proposed initiatives to amend the state constitution; and requiring a two-thirds vote of all members elected to each house of the general assembly to amend, repeal, or supersede any law enacted by an initiative for a period of five years after the law becomes effective?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
COUNTY QUESTIONS	
<b>1A - COUNTY QUESTION</b>	
SHALL EL PASO COUNTY TAXES BE INCREASED BY \$75 MILLION ANNUALLY IN 2009 AND BY WHATEVER AMOUNTS ARE RAISED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER BY INCREASING THE COUNTY'S SALES AND USE TAX RATE BY ONE CENT PER DOLLAR IN ORDER TO PROTECT PUBLIC SAFETY AND PUBLIC HEALTH BY IMPROVING THE ABILITY OF THE SHERIFF, POLICE AND FIREFIGHTERS TO PROTECT CITIZENS, THE ABILITY OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM TO PROSECUTE AND INCARCERATE CRIMINAL OFFENDERS, AND THE ABILITY OF PUBLIC HEALTH WORKERS TO INVESTIGATE, PROTECT AGAINST AND PREVENT THE SPREAD OF DANGEROUS INFECTIOUS DISEASES, AND EXEMPTING GROCERY FOOD ITEMS, PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS, FUELS FOR RESIDENTIAL UTILITIES (SIMILARLY, GASOLINE AND DIESEL FUELS ARE NOT SUBJECT TO THIS TAX), AND WITH OTHER EXEMPTIONS FROM THIS SALES AND USE TAX INCREASE AS SET FORTH IN BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER RESOLUTION 08-375, WITH ALL REVENUES GENERATED TO BE RESTRICTED TO THE FOLLOWING: A. EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2009 AND CONTINUING THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010, THE COUNTY SHALL EXPEND FIFTY PERCENT (50%) OF ALL REVENUES GENERATED FROM THIS SALES AND USE TAX INCREASE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF MEDIUM AND MAXIMUM SECURITY FACILITIES AT THE EL PASO COUNTY REGIONAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE CENTER (JAIL), INCLUDING THE COSTS OF EQUIPPING AND FURNISHING THE PROJECT, AND EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011, AND CONTINUING UNTIL THE EARLIER OF COMPLETION OF ALL OF THE FOLLOWING PUBLIC SAFETY CAPITAL PROJECTS OR JANUARY 1, 2026, THE COUNTY SHALL EXPEND TEN PERCENT (10%) OF ALL REVENUES GENERATED FROM THIS SALES AND USE TAX INCREASE FOR THE FOLLOWING REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, INCLUDING THE COSTS OF EQUIPPING AND FURNISHING OF THE IMPROVEMENTS, AND WITH THE REVENUES FROM THIS SALES AND USE TAX INCREASE TO BE HELD BY THE COUNTY TREASURER IN RESTRICTED ACCOUNTS THAT MAY ONLY BE USED TO CARRY OUT THE VOTERS' INTENT AS EXPRESSED IN THIS BALLOT ISSUE, AND FOR NO OTHER PURPOSES: 1. THE REGIONAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE CENTER (JAIL), MAXIMUM AND MEDIUM SECURITY FACILITIES, EL PASO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, ESTIMATED TO COST \$75,500,000 (IF NOT COMPLETED DURING THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1, 2009 TO JANUARY 1, 2011); 2. REGIONAL SHERIFF'S OPERATIONS, TRAINING AND CORONER'S OFFICE MEDICAL EXAMINER-LABORATORY FACILITY, EL PASO COUNTY SHERIFF'S AND CORONER'S OFFICE,	

ESTIMATED TO COST \$26,000,000; 3. EMERGENCY OPERATIONS/SECURED INFORMATION CENTER, CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS FIRE AND POLICE DEPARTMENTS, ESTIMATED TO COST \$10,500,000; 4. NORTHERN REGION JOINT PUBLIC SAFETY SUBSTATION, CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS POLICE DEPARTMENT AND EL PASO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, ESTIMATED TO COST \$6,300,000; 5. REGIONAL WORK RELEASE FACILITY, EL PASO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, ESTIMATED TO COST \$7,000,000; 6. SOUTHERN REGION JOINT PUBLIC SAFETY SUBSTATION, EL PASO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, ESTIMATED TO COST \$6,300,000; 7. 4TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT FACILITY NEEDS ARISING FROM UNFUNDED STATE MANDATES, DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, ESTIMATED TO COST \$15,900,000; 8. REGIONAL JUDICIAL COMPLEX SECURITY SYSTEM ENHANCEMENTS, 4TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT, ESTIMATED TO COST \$2,500,000; 9. SHERIFF'S OFFICE EMERGENCY AND WILDLAND FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT AND VEHICLE STORAGE FACILITY, EL PASO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, ESTIMATED TO COST \$3,000,000; B. THE COUNTY SHALL EXPEND THE REMAINDER OF THE REVENUES GENERATED EACH YEAR FROM THIS SALES AND USE TAX INCREASE TO FUND PUBLIC SAFETY AND PUBLIC HEALTH OPERATIONAL AND CAPITAL NEEDS AND IMPROVEMENTS INCLUDING THE HIRING, TRAINING, COMPENSATION AND EQUIPPING OF POLICE OFFICERS, SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES, FIRE FIGHTERS, EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS/PARAMEDICS, DISTRICT ATTORNEY EMPLOYEES, CORONER EMPLOYEES, PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS, AND OTHER SWORN AND NON-SWORN PERSONNEL OF THESE PUBLIC SAFETY AND PUBLIC HEALTH AGENCIES, WITH SUCH FUNDS TO BE HELD BY THE COUNTY TREASURER IN RESTRICTED ACCOUNTS THAT SHALL ONLY BE USED TO CARRY OUT THE VOTERS' INTENT AS EXPRESSED IN THIS BALLOT ISSUE, AND THE COUNTY SHALL DISTRIBUTE THESE FUNDS ACCORDING TO THE FOLLOWING PERCENTAGES, AND ONLY FOR THE FOLLOWING, AND FOR NO OTHER, PURPOSES: 1. REGIONAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE CENTER (JAIL), EL PASO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, 17.5%; 2. REGIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES, EL PASO COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT, 20%; 3. PUBLIC SAFETY AND PUBLIC HEALTH FUNCTIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES, 47.5%. THE COUNTY SHALL DISTRIBUTE THE AMOUNTS BASED ON POPULATION, WHICH SHALL BE CALCULATED ANNUALLY BASED ON THE MOST CURRENT POPULATION DATA AVAILABLE FROM THE COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL AFFAIRS: i. CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS, ii. EL PASO COUNTY (POPULATION IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS ONLY), iii. CITY OF FOUNTAIN, iv. CITY OF MANITOU SPRINGS, v. TOWN OF MONUMENT, vi. TOWN OF PALMER LAKE, vii. TOWN OF CALHAN, viii. TOWN OF GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS, ix. TOWN OF RAMAH; 4. PROGRAM FOR EMERGENCY ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE ENFORCEMENT, 2.5%; 5. DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, 5%; 6. REGIONAL CORONER'S OFFICE MEDICAL EXAMINER- LABORATORY FACILITY, EL PASO COUNTY CORONER'S OFFICE, 2.5%; 7. REGIONAL OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, EL PASO COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND COLORADO SPRINGS OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, 2%; 8. REGIONAL CHILD AND ADULT PROTECTION PROGRAMS WHICH SHALL BE USED TO INVESTIGATE, PROSECUTE, TREAT AND PREVENT ABUSE AND NEGLECT OF CHILDREN AND OF ADULTS WHO ARE ELDERLY AND/OR DISABLED, EL PASO COUNTY, 3%; C. EFFECTIVE THE EARLIER OF COMPLETION OF THE CAPITAL PROJECTS SET FORTH IN PARAGRAPH A OF THIS BALLOT ISSUE OR JANUARY 1, 2026, WHICHEVER OCCURS FIRST, THE PORTION OF THIS SALES AND USE TAX RATE INCREASE THAT IS BEING USED SPECIFICALLY FOR REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AS SET FORTH IN PART A, ABOVE, SHALL TERMINATE WITHOUT THE NEED FOR ANY ACTION ON THE PART OF THE COUNTY, AND THE SALES AND USE TAX RATE INCREASE IN THIS BALLOT ISSUE SHALL BE REDUCED BY 0.1% (1/10TH CENT PER DOLLAR); D. IN ADDITION TO THE AMOUNTS PROVIDED TO THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE FROM THE SALES AND USE TAX RATE INCREASE IN THIS BALLOT ISSUE, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2009, AND FOR EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, THE COUNTY SHALL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATE FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE NOT LESS THAN THE AMOUNTS BUDGETED AND APPROPRIATED FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE AS STATED IN THE COUNTY'S FISCAL YEAR 2008 REVISED BUDGET AS THE REVISED BUDGET EXISTED ON JULY 31, 2008; E. AND WITH ALL REVENUES GENERATED FROM THIS SALES AND USE TAX INCREASE AND THE EARNINGS ON SUCH REVENUES TO CONSTITUTE VOTER APPROVED REVENUE AND SPENDING CHANGES OF THE COUNTY AND THE MUNICIPALITIES IDENTIFIED HEREIN, TO BE COLLECTED AND SPENT EACH YEAR BY THE COUNTY AND THE MUNICIPALITIES IDENTIFIED HEREIN WITHOUT LIMITATION BY THE REVENUE AND SPENDING LIMITS OF, AND WITHOUT AFFECTING THE COUNTY'S ABILITY OR THE ABILITY OF THE MUNICIPALITIES IDENTIFIED HEREIN TO COLLECT AND SPEND OTHER REVENUES OR FUNDS UNDER, ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION OR ANY OTHER LAW OR, FOR THE CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS, THE REVENUE AND SPENDING PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE VII, § 7-90 OF THE COLORADO SPRINGS CITY CHARTER, WITH THE SALES AND USE TAX INCREASE TO BE ADMINISTERED, COLLECTED AND ENFORCED ACCORDING TO BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER RESOLUTION 08-375, AND TO BE SUBJECT TO AN ANNUAL INDEPENDENT AUDIT; F. AND FURTHER PROVIDED THAT IN NO EVENT SHALL THE COUNTY USE ANY REVENUES GENERATED FROM THIS SALES AND USE TAX INCREASE AS A PLEDGE OR SECURITY FOR ANY BONDED INDEBTEDNESS, ANY CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION OR ANY MULTI-YEAR FINANCIAL OBLIGATION WITHOUT SPECIFIC VOTER APPROVAL?	
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