



Pueblo County

GILBERT ORTIZ

COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER

720 N. MAIN STREET, SUITE 200

PUEBLO, CO 81003-3020

COORDINATED ELECTION

TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2021

**THIS ELECTION WILL BE A MAIL BALLOT ELECTION.
THERE WILL BE THREE (3) VOTER SERVICE AND POLLING
CENTERS (VSPC)**

**This is a Composite of All Ballot Issues for this Election.
Please Refer to Your Official Ballot for a
Listing of Ballot Issues on Which
You Are Entitled to Vote.**

**TO ALL REGISTERED VOTERS
NOTICE OF ELECTION
TO INCREASE TAXES/TO INCREASE DEBT/
ON A CITIZEN PETITION/
ON A REFERRED MEASURE**

THIS PAMPHLET CONTAINS
SUMMARY STATEMENTS FOR
BALLOT ISSUE NOTICES AS
REQUIRED BY THE STATE OF
COLORADO CONSTITUTION,
ARTICLE X, SECTION 20.

"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
CIRCUMSTANCE."

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All eligible, registered voters will receive a ballot in the mail.

Cost to return a ballot = \$.71

VOTER SERVICE AND POLLING CENTERS

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Monday-Friday (Oct.18 – Nov.1) 8:00A.M. - 5:00P.M.
Saturday (Oct.30) 8:00A.M. – 12:00P.M.
Tuesday (Nov.2) (Election Day) 7:00A.M. – 7:00P.M.

Colorado State University Pueblo (Occhiato Bldg.)
2200 Bonforte Blvd., Pueblo, CO 81001

Monday (Nov.1) 8:00A.M. - 5:00P.M.
Tuesday (Nov.2) (Election Day) 7:00A.M. – 7:00P.M.

Pueblo Community College (Ballroom)
900 W. Orman Ave., Pueblo, CO 81004

Monday (Nov.1) 8:00A.M. - 5:00P.M.
Tuesday (Nov.2) (Election Day) 7:00A.M. – 7:00P.M.

OUTDOOR DRIVE UP LOCATION

Pueblo County Courthouse
215 W. 10th St., Pueblo, CO 81003
(West Side -Court St)

Monday (Nov.1) 8:00A.M. - 5:00P.M.
Tuesday (Nov.2) (Election Day) 7:00A.M. – 7:00P.M.

DROP OFF LOCATION

Colorado City Metropolitan District
4497 Bent Brothers Blvd., Colorado City, CO 81019

Monday (Nov.1) 8:00A.M. - 5:00P.M.
Tuesday (Nov.2) (Election Day) 7:00A.M. – 7:00P.M.

24 HOUR DROP-OFF LOCATION
Monday-Monday (Oct.8 – Nov.1)
Tuesday (Nov.2) (Election Day) Open until 7:00P.M.

Pueblo County Election Office,
720 N. Main St. Pueblo, CO 81003 (Back of Building)
Pueblo County Courthouse,
215 W. 10th St., Pueblo, CO 81003 (East Side-Main St.)
Colorado State Fair, 950 S. Prairie Ave., Pueblo, CO 81004
(Outside of Prairie Gate Entrance)
Lamb Branch Library, 2525 S. Pueblo Blvd., Pueblo, CO 81005
(Near Entrance)
Pueblo Rural Fire,
29912 US-50 BUS, Pueblo, CO 81006
Pueblo County Sheriff's Substation (Pueblo West),
320 E. Joe Martinez Blvd., Pueblo West, CO 81007
Colorado State University Pueblo
2200 Bonforte Blvd., Pueblo, CO 81001
Pueblo Community College
900 W. Orman Ave., Pueblo, CO 81004

ALL REGISTERED VOTERS

CITY OF PUEBLO, COLORADO

**NOTICE OF ELECTION FOR REVENUE FOR ROADS ON
A REFERRED MEASURE**

Election Date and Hours:

November 2, 2021, 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM

Local Election Office Address and Telephone Number:

Pueblo County Election Department
720 N. Main St., Ste. 200, Pueblo, CO 81003
Telephone Number: (719) 583-6620

BALLOT ISSUE NO. 2A:

WITHOUT IMPOSING ANY NEW TAX OR INCREASING THE RATE OF ANY EXISTING TAX, SHALL THE CITY OF PUEBLO BE PERMITTED TO RETAIN AND SPEND UP TO \$576,609, THE AMOUNT OF CITY REVENUES RECEIVED IN FISCAL YEAR 2020 ABOVE THE 2020 FISCAL YEAR REVENUE AND SPENDING LIMITATIONS, FOR ROAD REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN THE CITY AND FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021 AND THEREAFTER, SHALL THE CITY OF PUEBLO BE PERMITTED TO COLLECT, RETAIN AND SPEND THE FULL AMOUNT OF CITY REVENUES RECEIVED FROM ALL SOURCES, INCLUDING ALL INVESTMENT INCOME THEREON, WITH THE CITY'S COMMITMENT TO SPEND A MINIMUM OF \$5,000,000 ANNUALLY FOR STREET MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS AND ROAD IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN THE CITY, ALL AS VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGES AND EXCEPTIONS TO THE REVENUE, SPENDING AND OTHER LIMITATIONS OR CONDITIONS WHICH WOULD OTHERWISE APPLY PURSUANT TO ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION OR ANY OTHER LAW?

YES NO

City of Pueblo, Colorado Fiscal Year Spending:

2021 (estimated)	\$ 109,096,018
2020 (actual)	\$ 98,051,023
2019 (actual)	\$ 97,348,493
2018 (actual)	\$ 94,733,823
2017 (actual)	\$ 91,285,774

Overall Percentage and Dollar Change in Fiscal Year Spending Over the Period:

Increase of \$17,810,244
Increase of 19.5%

Estimated Spending Increase:

- Estimate of maximum dollar amount of the spending increase for fiscal year 2022 with the revenue change:
 - \$ 115,660,688
- Estimate of spending for fiscal year 2022 without such revenue change:
 - \$ 109,591,903

Summary of Written Comments FOR Ballot Issue No. 2A:

2A does not impose any new tax or increase the rate of any existing tax.

If 2A passes, any new tax or any increase in the rate of any existing tax must still be approved by the voters of the City of Pueblo.

2A permits the City to retain and spend \$576,609 in current funds but only for street repairs and road improvements. For future years, 2A permits the City to keep the full amount of City revenues received, with the City's commitment of spending a minimum of \$5,000,000 annually for needed street maintenance and repairs and road improvements.

2A will allow us to fix our roads without raising taxes.

Road Repair Plan 2022:

- Prairie Avenue (Northern Avenue to Pueblo Boulevard)
- Dillon Drive (Elizabeth Street west to City Limits)
- Jerry Murphy Road (Candytuft Boulevard north to City Limits)
- Ridge Subdivision (35 streets)

Road Repair Plan 2023:

- Abriendo Avenue
- Desert Flower Boulevard
- Walking Stick Boulevard
- Jerry Murphy Road (Highway 47 to Bonforte Boulevard)
- Lakeshore Avenue
- Ridge Drive (Highway 50 to Eagleridge Boulevard)

Road Repair Plan 2024:

- Jones Avenue
- Bonforte Boulevard
- Court Street
- West 24th Street (I-25 to Atlanta Avenue)
- Constitution Road
- Bluestem Boulevard
- Candytuft Boulevard
- West 29th Street (I-25 to Dillon Drive)

Road Repair Plan 2025:

- Main Street
- Encino Drive
- La Vista Road
- Dillon Drive (26th Street to Eagleridge Boulevard)
- Portland Avenue
- Prairie Avenue (Northern Avenue to Thatcher Avenue)
- West 29th Street (I-25 to High Street)

Road Repair Plan 2026:

- Northern Avenue
- East 15th Street
- Norwood Avenue
- East 8th Street
- West 8th Street
- Troy Avenue

Summary of Written Comments AGAINST Ballot Issue No. 2A:

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

ALL REGISTERED VOTERS

NOTICE OF ELECTION ON A REFERRED MEASURE

COLORADO CITY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT

Election Date and Hours:

November 2, 2021, 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM

Local Election Office Address and Telephone

Number:

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Telephone Number: (719) 583-6620

BALLOT ISSUE NO. 6A:

WITHOUT CREATING ANY NEW TAX OR INCREASING ANY PROPERTY TAX RATES, UNLESS SEPARATELY APPROVED BY THE VOTERS, SHALL COLORADO CITY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT BE AUTHORIZED TO COLLECT, RETAIN AND SPEND ALL REVENUES IT RECEIVES FROM ALL SOURCES IN FISCAL YEAR 2020 AND THEREAFTER AS A VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE AND AN EXCEPTION TO THE LIMITS THAT WOULD OTHERWISE APPLY UNDER ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION, THE 5.5 PERCENT PROPERTY TAX REVENUE LIMITATION SET FORTH IN SECTION 29-1-301 OF THE COLORADO REVISED STATUTES, OR ANY OTHER LAW?

YES NO

Summary of Written Comments FOR Ballot Issue No. 6A:

Colorado City Metropolitan District is asking Colorado City residents for the opportunity to pursue long term solutions to water and sewer issues, improve community recreation, upgrade antiquated equipment, and give every age an opportunity to be more active and healthier.

Parks and Recreation is vital for a thriving community. Playgrounds, pools, athletics, events, indoor and outdoor recreation are important for a community to be active and healthy. The District is bringing in extra revenue from our campground and could greatly benefit from utilizing those funds to enhance recreation in our community.

This comes at no additional cost to taxpayers. If we do not de-Bruce, our tax revenue will drop and we will need to rely on finding more revenue sources to fund our aging and outdated facilities, which will require raising fees or eliminating programs.

Over more than the last year (2020-21) a larger and larger number of people from out of town made use of the Colorado City campground, Hollydot golf course, and recreation programs held and supervised by the

Colorado City Parks and Recreation. They spent their money in our community to the extent that we have been blessed. Unfortunately, TABOR laws say that much of this excess, again which came from out of the community, has to be returned to Colorado City customers.

If you vote for the ballot measure you will allow the Colorado City Metropolitan District to use excess revenue from the fees collected. De-Brucing, as it is called, will do that. It will let the Metro District use the extra revenue being generated by people primarily from outside the community to enhance the community for the residents. It does not eliminate TABOR laws and protection for the taxpayer will still be in place. Contrary to popular belief, the practice of “de-Brucing” does not free a government from TABOR restrictions altogether; a municipality is still fully subject to all of the other limitations set forth in TABOR.

De-Brucing appeals to most Colorado voters who understand that local entities are strapped for necessary cash. In fact, 51 out of the 64 counties in the state, 230 out of the 274 municipalities in Colorado, and 174 school districts have all de-bruced since Tabor’s inception in 1992. Many different groups who rarely see eye to eye on public policy issues agree that de-brucing is good for small, local governments and their constituents.

All too recently we can all remember when the water taps were dry and the metro district was handing out drinking water from a local parking lot. People rose up in droves to help their neighbors and even strangers as we faced the tough circumstances together. We banded together in an effort to make a harsh situation less harsh. Thank you.

Here is another opportunity for everyone to pull together and make a harsh situation less harsh. Vote to let the Colorado City Metro District keep the funds earned by its hard-working staffs in every department and to help create a positive impact for us all.

Summary of Written Comments AGAINST Ballot Issue No. 6A:

No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.

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**ATTEST: THE FOREGOING BALLOT ISSUE
NOTICES ARE COMPLETE AS SUBMITTED BY THE
POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS.**



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gilbert Ortiz", is written over the seal.

**GILBERT ORTIZ
PUEBLO COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER**

FROM:
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OFFICIAL ELECTION MATERIAL

FOR ALL REGISTERED VOTERS IN THIS HOUSEHOLD:

**THIS NOTICE IS MAILED TO EACH ADDRESS WITH ONE OR MORE
ACTIVE, REGISTERED ELECTORS. YOU MAY NOT BE ELIGIBLE
TO VOTE ON ALL ISSUES PRESENTED.**

POSTMASTER, DELIVER TO

NOTICE OF ELECTION

**TO INCREASE TAXES/TO INCREASE DEBT/
ON A CITIZEN PETITION/
ON A REFERRED MEASURE**

**MAIL-IN BALLOTS MUST BE RETURNED TO THE
COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE BY
7:00 P.M. ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2021
TO BE COUNTED**

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