GENERAL ELECTION
NOVEMBER 4, 2014

POLLs OPEN
7 a.m. TO 7 p.m.

NOTICE OF ELECTION
TO INCREASE TAXES/TO INCREASE DEBT/ON A CITIZEN PETITION/ON A REFERRED MEASURE.

For further information, contact:
City and County of Broomfield
Elections Division
Phone 303.464.5857
One DesCombes Drive, Broomfield
www.votebroomfield.org

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

A ‘yes/for’ vote on any ballot issue is a vote in favor of changing current law or existing circumstances, and a ‘no/against’ vote on any ballot issue is a vote against changing current law or existing circumstances.

This notice is mailed to each address with one or more active registered electors.

The information contained in this notice was prepared by persons required by law to provide summaries of ballot issues and fiscal information.
ELECTION DAY IS TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2014

BALLOTS WILL BE MAILED THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 13. FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL 303.464.5857 OR VISIT WWW.VOTEBOOMFIELD.ORG.

VOTE IN PERSON AT A VOTER SERVICE AND POLLING CENTER

Vote in person at any of these four locations (see map inside back cover).

GEORGE DI CIERO CITY AND COUNTY BUILDING
One DesCombes Dr.
8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday-Friday (Oct. 20-Nov. 3)
8 a.m. to 12 p.m., Saturday, October 25
8 a.m. to 12 p.m., Saturday, November 1
7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Tuesday, November 4

PAUL DERDA RECREATION CENTER
13201 Lowell Blvd.
8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday-Friday (Oct. 20-Nov. 3)
8 a.m. to 12 p.m., Saturday, October 25
8 a.m. to 12 p.m., Saturday, November 1
7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Tuesday, November 4

NORTH METRO FIRE RESCUE STATION 66
1750 W 160th Ave.
7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Tuesday, November 4

NORTH METRO FIRE RESCUE STATION 67
13875 S 96th St.
7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Tuesday, November 4

DROP OFF LOCATIONS (OCTOBER 14 - NOVEMBER 4)

Ballots may be dropped off at any of the voter service and polling centers listed above. You may also drop off your ballot 24 hours/day, 7 days a week at:

GEORGE DI CIERO CITY AND COUNTY BUILDING
One DesCombes Dr.
Official Ballot Drop Box (in front of Motor Vehicle entrance)

PAUL DERDA RECREATION CENTER
13201 Lowell Blvd.
Official Ballot Drop Box (West parking lot)
TO: ALL REGISTERED VOTERS

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

Boulder Valley School District RE-2
Counties of Boulder and Gilpin, and the City and County of Broomfield, Colorado

Election Date: Tuesday, November 4, 2014
Election Hours: 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Local Election Office Address and Telephone Number:
Broomfield City and County Clerk - Jim Candelario
Attn: Michael Susek
One DesCombes Drive
Broomfield, CO 80020
email: electiondepartment@broomfield.org

Telephone: 303-464-5857

Ballot Title and Text:

BALLOT ISSUE 3A:

SHALL BOULDER VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-2 DEBT BE INCREASED
$576,520,000 WITH A REPAYMENT COST OF UP TO $1,351,017,635, AND
SHALL DISTRICT TAXES BE INCREASED UP TO $56,097,800 ANNUALLY TO
PAY SUCH DEBT, ALL FOR THE PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN THE DISTRICT’S
EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES MASTER PLAN APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF
EDUCATION AND MONITORED BY A CITIZENS’ BOND OVERSIGHT
COMMITTEE, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING:

- INVESTING IN ALL DISTRICT SCHOOLS, SITES AND FACILITIES BY
  REPAIRING, REPLACING, AND/OR UPGRADING INFRASTRUCTURE,
  BUILDING SYSTEMS AND FINISHES FOR THE PURPOSES OF IMPROVING
  THE LEARNING AND WORK ENVIRONMENT FOR STUDENTS AND STAFF,
  INCREASING FUNCTIONALITY AND EFFICIENCY OF DISTRICT-WIDE
  SUPPORT FACILITIES, EXTENDING THE LIFE OF BUILDINGS; IMPROVING
  ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CREATING SAFER ENVIRONMENTS;

- ADDRESSING THE EDUCATIONAL DEFICIENCIES IN DISTRICT SCHOOLS
  BY MODERNIZING, EXPANDING AND CONSTRUCTING LEARNING SPACES
  SUCH AS BUT NOT LIMITED TO CLASSROOMS, PERFORMANCE SPACES,
  FITNESS FACILITIES, SPECIAL EDUCATION DEDICATED SPACES AND
  SPACES THAT SUPPORT INNOVATIVE EDUCATIONAL DELIVERY;

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EXPANDING FULL-DAY KINDERGARTEN OPPORTUNITIES AND
PRE-SCHOOL PROGRAMS BY RENOVATING, ENLARGING AND
CONSTRUCTING EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION SPACES;

CONSTRUCTING AND EQUIPPING A SCHOOL CAMPUS TO SERVE GRADES
PRE-K THROUGH 8 IN ERIE, COLORADO TO ACCOMMODATE ENROLLMENT
GROWTH AND INVESTING IN THE REPLACEMENT OF SELECT SCHOOLS
THAT HAVE EXCEEDED THEIR SERVICE LIVES;

AND, TO THE EXTENT FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE, FOR OTHER CAPITAL
EXPENDITURES RELATED TO CONSTRUCTING, REPAIRING AND
EQUIPPING DISTRICT BUILDINGS, AND SHALL THE MILL LEVY BE
INCREASED IN ANY YEAR WITHOUT LIMITATION AS TO RATE AND
AMOUNT SUFFICIENT TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF, PREMIUM, IF ANY, AND
INTEREST ON SUCH DEBT OR ANY REFUNDING DEBT (OR TO CREATE A
RESERVE FOR SUCH PAYMENT); SUCH DEBT TO BE EVIDENCED BY THE
ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO 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 A
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

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Overall percentage change from 2010-2011 to 2014-15 14.7%
Overall dollar change from 2010-2011 to 2014-2015 $48,631,773
Proposed Tax Increase

District Estimate of the Maximum Dollar Amount
of the Proposed Tax Increase For Fiscal Year 2015-2016
(the First Full Fiscal Year of the Proposed Tax Increase):

BALLOT ISSUE 3A: $56,097,800

District Estimate of 2015-2016 Fiscal Year Spending
Without Proposed Tax Increase: $383,581,920

Information on District’s Proposed Debt

BALLOT ISSUE 3A:

Principal Amount of Proposed Bonds: Not to exceed $576,520,000
Maximum Annual District Repayment Cost: Not to exceed $56,097,800
Total District Repayment Cost: Not to exceed $1,351,017,635

Information on District’s Current Debt

Principal Amount Outstanding Debt: $337,495,000
Maximum Annual Repayment Cost: $28,231,280
Remaining Total Repayment Cost: $517,929,039

Summary of Written Comments FOR Ballot Issue 3A:

Question 3A on the ballot asks whether voters will fund the Boulder Valley School District’s Facilities Master Plan. Because the State of Colorado provides no funding for school district capital improvements, it’s up to local communities to fund these needs. The BVSD Facilities Master Plan is the result of a 2-year needs-assessment that involved staff and community stakeholders. If approved, community involvement will continue through the Citizens’ Bond Oversight Committee, a group that will ensure that all funds will be spent according to the actual ballot language.

The main components of the proposed $576.5 million plan are:

- Critical Repair
  - Improvements are planned for every school and will make a significant positive impact on the learning and working environment for our students and staff.
  - 72% of BVSD schools are more than 30 years old. Necessary improvement to roofs, HVAC systems, electrical and plumbing, asphalt, interior finishes, and asbestos removal account for approximately 50% of planned projects.
  - Systems to improve management of temperature and air quality in buildings, including air conditioning in our hardest-to-cool schools and schools with summer school programming, will ensure healthy, comfortable schools.
Replacement and Construction
• The condition of three existing school buildings are so deteriorated that it is not
cost effective to invest in repairs. Emerald, Creekside and Douglass Elementary Schools
will be replaced
• A new preschool through 8th grade campus will be built in Erie to manage
enrollment growth

Sustainability
• New building construction will utilize green building standards
• Upgrades to lighting and HVAC systems in all buildings will improve energy
efficiency

Safety and Security
• Systems will be installed to monitor and control entrances to all buildings
• Improved emergency communications systems inside schools and with outside
first responders will be installed

District-wide Support Facilities
• A new transportation hub that is up to code and better equipped for bus care and
maintenance will be built
• A centralized district kitchen will cut costs and improve food safety and quality
• Newly designed spaces will support professional development, special education
and administrative support services including IT infrastructure enhancements

Early Childhood Education
• Space will be allocated, created, or re-purposed inside existing schools to provide
the opportunity for all-day kindergarten and preschool

Fitness and Outdoor Facilities
• Enhanced fitness and outdoor facilities, including multi-purpose exercise rooms,
playgrounds, tracks, and fields, will benefit our students and our communities

Innovation
• Funding will be available to every school to use to create innovative learning
spaces

If approved by the voters, residential property taxes will be increased by $47 per
$100,000 of actual value. Non-residential property taxes will be increased by $170 per
$100,000 of actual value

Boulder Valley voters have consistently supported public education. Measure 3A
is a bold measure that will address deferred maintenance issues and will significantly
improve all schools across all our communities. If 3A passes we will again show that
our students are our highest priority. It is up to us! Please vote YES on 3A! Improving
All Buildings…..Benefiting All Students

Summary of Written Comments AGAINST Ballot Issue 3A:
No comments were filed by the constitutional deadline.
TO ALL REGISTERED VOTERS

NOTICE OF ELECTION TO INCREASE TAXES ON A REFERRED MEASURE

NORTH METRO FIRE RESCUE DISTRICT
ADAMS, BOULDER, BROOMFIELD,
JEFFERSON AND WELD COUNTIES, COLORADO

Election Date: November 4, 2014

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

Local Election Office:


Ballot Title and Text:

NORTH METRO FIRE RESCUE DISTRICT BALLOT ISSUE 4A

SHALL NORTH METRO FIRE RESCUE DISTRICT TAXES BE INCREASED $5.1 MILLION ANNUALLY IN THE FIRST FULL FISCAL YEAR OR BY SUCH AMOUNT AS MAY BE RAISED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER BY THE IMPOSITION OF AN ADDITIONAL AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAX RATE OF UP TO 3.5 MILLS, COMMENCING IN COLLECTION YEAR 2015, AND CONTINUING THEREAFTER, RESULTING IN A TOTAL DISTRICT PROPERTY TAX RATE, EXCLUSIVE OF REFUNDS, ABATEMENTS OR DEBT SERVICE, NOT TO EXCEED 13.226 MILLS, TO BE USED BY THE DISTRICT FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES, MAINTENANCE AND OTHER BUDGET EXPENSES, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

- AVOIDING CUTS IN EMERGENCY SERVICES AND MAINTAINING 911 RESPONSE TIMES;
- IMPROVING 911 RESPONSE TIMES IN DEFICIENT AREAS;
- PROVIDING FIREFIGHTERS ESSENTIAL SAFETY GEAR AND COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT, SUCH AS AIR PACKS AND RADIOS;
- REPLACING AGING EMERGENCY RESPONSE VEHICLES; AND
- REPAIRING FIRE STATIONS TO ADDRESS CRITICAL SAFETY HAZARDS AND EXTEND THEIR USEFUL LIFE;
AND SHALL THE DISTRICT BE AUTHORIZED TO COLLECT, RETAIN AND SPEND THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH ADDITIONAL PROPERTY TAX RATE AS A VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE, OFFSET AND EXCEPTION TO THE LIMITS WHICH WOULD OTHERWISE APPLY UNDER ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION OR ANY OTHER LAW AND AS A PERMANENT WAIVER OF THE LIMITATIONS SET FORTH UNDER SECTION 29-1-301, C.R.S.?

**Actual Historical and Current Estimated Fiscal Year Spending Information:**

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Overall percentage change in fiscal year spending over the five year period from 2010 through 2014: (11.0%)

Overall dollar change in fiscal year spending over the five year period from 2010 through 2014: ($2,510,749)

**Proposed District Tax Increase:**

Estimated 2015 fiscal year spending without taking into account the tax increase authorized by Ballot Issue 4A: $19,910,547

Estimated 2015 tax increase authorized by Ballot Issue 4A: $5,100,000

**Summary of Written Comments FOR Ballot Issue 4A:**

The following summary was prepared from comments filed by persons FOR the issue:

Passage of Issue 4A will allow North Metro Fire Rescue District to avoid cuts in emergency services and maintain 911 response times.

**A growing community with growing emergency needs**

North Metro Fire Rescue District’s population has grown substantially over the past decade, and 911 call volume has increased at a significantly higher rate. Additionally, emergencies have grown more complex due to an increase in large-scale events. Resource intensive incidents such as weather-related disasters, mass shootings and hazardous material events all increase the preparation and response demands critical to protecting a larger, diverse community.
A problem of declining revenue and increasing costs

Despite growth, the fire district’s revenue has not kept pace with expenses in recent years. This is due to the overall decline in property valuations, the increasing rate of inflation and cost of goods, and the much higher rate of inflation associated with fire service equipment and emergency response vehicles. Currently, North Metro Fire operates under a general mill levy of 9.726 – much lower than similar Denver metro fire districts, which average a general mill levy of 15.310. Under its current mill levy, North Metro Fire can no longer maintain its level of emergency services and balance its budget, much less extend services as the community grows.

An unavoidable consequence

North Metro Fire has tried to operate as cost efficiently as possible, deferring and cutting costs where possible. Without additional funding, North Metro Fire will need to reduce the number of firefighters and equipment used daily to respond to 911 calls. This would result in longer response times for residents and businesses.

Additionally, the District will be challenged to provide our local firefighters essential safety gear and communications equipment, such as air packs and radios. The District also lacks funding to replace aging emergency response vehicles and repair fire stations to address critical safety hazards and extend their useful life.

A vote to maintain emergency services and response times

By voting ‘yes’ North Metro Fire will be able to maintain its current level of emergency service and response times, and ensure the community’s protection as it grows.

The estimated monthly tax impact is $2.32 per $100,000 of a home’s market value – a modest investment with significant benefits to our community. And for seniors who qualify for the Homestead Exemption, the tax impact is even lower.

When it comes to emergency responses, every second counts. Issue 4A deserves our support.

Vote YES on 4A.

Summary of Written Comments AGAINST Ballot Issue 4A:

The following summary was prepared from comments filed by persons AGAINST the issue:
North Metro Fire District carries a debt load of $29,000,000. A new administrative building in Broomfield, and a new training center north of 160th Ave. are responsible for the bulk of this debt. Both of these facilities are grandiose and in the case of the administrative building, larger than many municipal city halls. The training center is also state of the art, but despite past ballot question assurances, underutilized.

This ballot question asks for more tax revenue to fund current operational needs. Voters should give careful consideration before voting on this tax increase. Throwing additional taxpayer money at operational deficits shouldn’t be the solution. For the taxpayer, this 3.5 mill levy will equate to $27.84 increase per 100K of home valuation annually. For example, for a home valued at 200K, a $55.68 annual increase, and for 300K valuation, $83.52. This increase far exceeds the 1.5% COLA increase for Social Security last year, creating a burden for many residents of the district.

The District uses inflation and decreased home values caused by the recent recession as the cause of the current deficits. They claim both cause increases in operating cost deficits. In reality, home values are recovering, and the District has recognized this recovery, but the extent and speed of that recovery has not been given ample study over time. This steady recovery should reflect increased revenues attributed to rising home values and new construction in the district, thus making this mill levy increase unnecessary. The language of the ballot question itself addresses this potential for changing revenues in subsequent years.

The District chose to initiate medical transport at a time when the budget was in jeopardy due to the excessive debt load they carry coupled with diminished revenues. This was a fiscal decision whose timing was less than responsible. Fire responses only account for 2.5% of calls. Medical calls and the associated billing are not revenue generating, and currently only collect 50% of billed services. The District defends this practice, but is not a model used in many communities throughout the metro area. Taxpayers should not be financing medical transport, more cost effectively accomplished by ambulance services.

Other fire districts (North Washington and South Adams County) have accomplished mergers to achieve better efficiencies and control of costs. With multiple fire districts at the perimeters of the district, there should be administrative conversations about those possibilities rather than asking the voters once again to fund operational spending.

Vote no on Ballot question 4A.
The Broomfield City and County Clerk certifies that the Ballot Issue Notices are complete as submitted by the political subdivisions.