CITY CLERK'S OFFICE MEMORANDUM #09-2021

DATE:	July 19, 2021
TO:	Honorable Mayor Meredith Leighty and City Council Members
THROUGH:	Heather Geyer, City Manager
FROM:	Johanna Small, City Clerk
SUBJECT:	CR-70 – November 2, 2021 Coordinated Election IGAs

PURPOSE

To consider CR-70, a resolution approving intergovernmental agreements (IGAs) with Adams County and Weld County for the Nov. 2, 2021 coordinated election.

BACKGROUND

Section 2.3 of the Northglenn City Charter requires regular municipal elections to be held on the first Tuesday in November of every odd-numbered year. At the regular municipal election on Nov. 2, 2021, five Council members will be elected – one member from Wards 1, 2, and 3, and two members from Ward 4 – one to serve a four-year term and one to serve a two-year term. The Council may also approve ballot questions and/or ballot issues to be placed on the November ballot.

The City has participated in coordinated elections since 2005. Most Northglenn voters reside in Adams County; however, there are also 14 voters that reside on property in Section 36 of Weld County, which is considered part of Ward 2. The Nov. 2, 2021 coordinated election will be conducted as a mail ballot election. Coordinated mail ballot elections increase voter convenience and participation and are more cost-effective than conducting a separate City election.

State law requires the City and Counties to enter into agreements concerning the conduct of coordinated elections. IGAs between the City and the Counties of Adams and Weld have been prepared to identify the duties of each entity. The County Clerk and Recorders are responsible for providing mail ballots to all eligible voters, providing voter service and polling centers, publishing required notices, verifying ballots, and certifying the official election results.

The City Clerk, as the Designated Election Official, is responsible for:

- Preparing a TABOR notice, if applicable
- Certifying the street locator file to ensure the correct delivery of ballots to voters
- Providing nomination petition forms to candidates; verifying the sufficiency of petitions
- Accepting write-in candidate affidavits
- Conducting a lot drawing to determine the order of candidates on the ballot
- Certifying ballot content to the counties; ensuring accuracy of the content
- Providing election support by telephone or in-person from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Election Day

BUDGET/TIME IMPLICATIONS

Colorado Revised Statutes § 1-7-116(2) requires the IGAs to be fully executed no later than 70 days prior to the date of election. Approval on July 19 provides adequate time to return the

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executed IGAs to the Counties to be approved by the Boards of County Commissioners by the August 24 deadline.

The IGAs require the City to reimburse each County for its share of the actual costs of the election. The costs are shared by the participating entities, which may include the state, county, other municipalities, school districts, and special districts. The Adams County IGA includes an estimated cost of \$2.00 per voter, plus costs for the printing and mailing of the TABOR notice, if applicable. Northglenn's proportional cost of the Adams County coordinated election will be based on actual expenditures, the number of active registered voters, and the number of other participating entities. Northglenn's share of the Weld County coordinated election will be the minimum fee of \$200.

The 2021 Budget includes funding for the Nov. 2, 2021 election. For the last several elections, actual costs have been less than the estimated amount identified in the Adams County IGA. There are approximately 22,800 active registered voters in Northglenn, and staff anticipates the City's total cost for both coordinated elections will be approximately \$23,000.

Date of Election	Type of Election	Actual Cost of Election	TABOR Issues	# of Eligible Voters	Cost per Voter
11/5/2019	Regular	\$17,623.99	No	19,757	\$0.89
11/6/2018	Special	\$14,843.10	Yes	19,969	\$0.74
11/7/2017	Regular	\$23,823.46	Yes	22,588	\$1.05
11/3/2015	Regular	\$10,140.20	Yes	17,645	\$0.57
11/4/2014	Special	\$11,417.86	Yes	17,291	\$0.66
11/5/2013	Regular	\$15,483.04	Yes	18,693	\$0.83

Previous Election Costs:

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of CR-70.

STAFF REFERENCE

If Council members have any questions, please contact Johanna Small, City Clerk at jsmall@northglenn.org or 303.450.8757.

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SPONSORED BY: MAYOR LEIGHTY

COUNCILMAN'S RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION NO.

No. <u>CR-70</u> Series of 2021

Series of 2021

A RESOLUTION APPROVING INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS WITH THE COUNTIES OF ADAMS AND WELD FOR THE PURPOSE OF PARTICIPATING IN THE NOVEMBER 2, 2021 COORDINATED ELECTION

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTHGLENN, COLORADO, THAT:

<u>Section 1</u>. The Intergovernmental Agreements between the City of Northglenn and the Counties of Adams and Weld, attached hereto, are hereby approved and the Mayor is authorized to execute the same on behalf of the City of Northglenn.

<u>Section 2</u>. In accordance with Article II, Section 2 of the Intergovernmental Agreement with Adams County, the City agrees that as part of the participation in the coordinated election it shall utilize the provisions of the Uniform Election Code of 1992, and that such coordination is specifically authorized by C.R.S. § 1-1-102 and therefore by Article II, Section 2.1 of the City of Northglenn Home Rule Charter.

DATED at Northglenn, Colorado, this _____ day of ______, 2021.

MEREDITH LEIGHTY Mayor

ATTEST:

JOHANNA SMALL, CMC City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

COREY Y. HOFFMANN City Attorney

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN ADAMS COUNTY AND THE CITY/TOWN OF Northglenn FOR THE NOVEMBER 2, 2021 COORDINATED ELECTION

 THIS INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is made and entered into

 this _______ day of _______, 2021, by and between the Adams County Clerk and Recorder,

 located at 4430 S. Adams County Parkway, Suite E3102, Brighton, Colorado 80601,

 hereinafter referred to as the "Clerk and Recorder," and the City/Town of

 Northglenn
 , located at

 11701 Community Center Drive

 Northglenn, Colorado 80233
 , hereinafter referred to as the

"Municipality" for the purpose of conducting a Coordinated Election to be held on **November 2, 2021**. The Clerk and Recorder and the Municipality may be collectively referred to herein as the "Parties."

RECITALS

WHEREAS, pursuant to Colo. Const. art. XIV, § 18(2)(a), and Colorado Revised Statute (C.R.S.) § 29-1-203, the County and the Municipality may cooperate or contract with each other to provide any function or service lawfully authorized to each, and any such contract may provide for the sharing of costs, the imposition of taxes, and incurring of debt; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to § 1-1-111, C.R.S. of the Uniform Election Code of 1992 (§ 1-1-101, *et. seq.* C.R.S.), hereinafter referred to as the "Code," the Municipality is authorized to contract with the Clerk and Recorder to perform all or part of the duties associated with conducting elections; and,

WHEREAS, the Clerk and Recorder and the Municipality have determined that it is in their best interests to conduct the election as a "coordinated election," as such terms are defined in the Code; and,

WHEREAS, the Clerk and Recorder and the Municipality have determined that it is in the best interests of their respective residents to cooperate and contract concerning the election upon the terms and conditions contained herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the promises herein contained, the sufficiency of which is acknowledged, the Parties hereto agree as follows:

AGREEMENT

ARTICLE I: DUTIES OF THE CLERK AND RECORDER

1. COORDINATED ELECTION OFFICIAL. The Clerk and Recorder shall act as the "Coordinated election official," pursuant to § 1-1-104(6.5), C.R.S., and shall be responsible for the conduct of the election, which shall be in accordance with the provisions of the Code, the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights, Colo. Const. art. X, § 20, hereinafter referred to as "TABOR," and any pertinent Rules promulgated by the Colorado Secretary of State, hereinafter referred to as the "Rules."

2. NO RUN-OFF ELECTION. This Agreement is for the November 2, 2021 election only. In the event the Municipality's Code and/or Charter provide for a run-off election, and a run-off election becomes necessary, the Adams County Clerk and Recorder will not conduct that election for the Municipality.

3. CONTACT OFFICER. The Election Administrator, Jami Gaultney, will be the designated contact officer and will act as the primary liaison between the Election Office and the Municipality for purposes of the election. Jami Gaultney can be reached at (720) 523-6421 or jgaultney@adcogov.org.

4. VOTER LISTS. Upon the request of the Municipality, the Clerk and Recorder shall provide to the Municipality a list of the names and addresses of the registered voters in the Municipality. The list shall be certified by the Clerk and Recorder upon the request of the Municipality designated election official. If the Municipality believes the Clerk and Recorder's voter registration list is inaccurate, the Municipality shall immediately advise the Clerk and Recorder and shall work with the Clerk and Recorder on corrections and revisions in a timely manner.

5. VOTING. The Clerk and Recorder shall provide for voter service and polling centers, mail, emergency, and provisional voting, pursuant to the relevant provisions of the Code and/or the Rules.

6. CERTIFICATION OF RESULTS. The Clerk and Recorder shall appoint a canvass board, pursuant to § 1-10-101 or § 1-10-201, *et seq.*, C.R.S.

7. RECORDS AND STORAGE. The Clerk and Recorder shall store all election records, and any other such materials as required under the Code, for a period of at least twenty-five (25) months after the election. Such storage shall be accessible by the Municipality, if legally necessary, upon accompaniment by the Clerk and Recorder or a designated representative, to resolve any challenges or other legal questions that might arise. In addition, upon request, the Clerk and Recorder shall compile a list of the names of persons who vote in the election and, shall provide to the Municipality a printed or electronic list containing the names of those persons.

ARTICLE II: DUTIES OF THE MUNICIPALITY

1. DESIGNATED ELECTION OFFICIAL. The Municipality has designated Johanna Small, City Clerk

303-450-8757

jsmall@northglenn.org

as its "designated election official," pursuant to § 1-1-104(8), C.R.S. The designated election official shall act as the primary liaison between the Municipality and the Clerk and Recorder. The municipality may provide a secondary contact via email to jgaultney@adcogov.org. All communications concerning the election, whether oral or in writing, shall be directed to the Adams County Election Department, 4430 S. Adams County Parkway, Suite E3102, Brighton, Colorado 80601; phone number: (720) 523-6421; and facsimile number: (720) 523-6266. Email communications are preferred and should be sent to jgaultney@adcogov.org.

2. ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION. In order to avoid any potential discrepancies and as allowed by § C.R.S. 1-1-102, the Municipality will pass an Ordinance or Resolution indicating that it will utilize and be subject to the requirements and procedures of the Uniform Election Code of 1992 while participating in this election and that said Code will apply in lieu of the "Colorado Municipal Election Code of 1965", article 10 of title 31, C.R.S., with respect to any election. Municipality will supply a copy of this Ordinance or Resolution when returning a signed copy of this IGA to the Clerk and Recorder.

3. STREET LOCATOR FILE. In order for the Clerk and Recorder to provide correct ballots to electors, it is critical that the information contained in the Municipality's street locator file be accurate. It is the Municipality's responsibility to ensure that the information contained in the street locator file is an accurate representation of the Municipality's street indexes contained within the Municipality's legal boundaries.

As long as the Clerk and Recorder has been timely notified of the Municipality's intent to participate in the election, the Clerk and Recorder will provide to the Municipality a street locator file by **July 28, 2021**.

- The file will contain a list of the street address ranges the Clerk and Recorder's system currently shows as being located in the Municipality.
- The designated election official for the Municipality shall inspect the information contained in the locator file and shall notify the Clerk and Recorder's Office by **August 13, 2021** of any changes, additions or deletions that need to be made. If required, the Clerk and Recorder will make the required changes and resubmit the locator file to the Municipality.
- The Municipality will inspect the file and shall make a final certification as to the accuracy of the locator file by no later than **September 3, 2021**.
- If the locator information and/or certification are not provided by the Municipality on the date specified herein, the Municipality may not participate in the election on November 2, 2021.

4. LEGAL NOTICES. The Clerk and Recorder shall publish notice of the election, as required by the Code, and such publication shall satisfy the publication requirement for all political subdivisions participating in the election, pursuant to § 1-5-205(1.4), C.R.S. However, the Municipality shall post and/or publish any other legal notices required of the Municipality, pursuant to relevant provisions of its charter, the Code, TABOR, the Rules, or the Colorado Municipal Code of 1965, § 31-10-101, *et seq.*, C.R.S., except as otherwise provided herein.

6. PETITIONS. Petitions, where applicable, shall be made available through the Municipality's designated election official, pursuant to the applicable laws and/or rules.

7. VERIFICATION OF PETITIONS. Petitions shall be verified by the Municipality, pursuant to the applicable laws and/or rules. The Clerk and Recorder will provide access to voter registration information to the Municipality if petitions are verified.

8. WRITE-IN CANDIDATES. Affidavits of intent to become a write-in candidate, where applicable, shall be filed with the Municipality's designated election official, pursuant to the applicable laws and/or rules, and a copy will be provided to the Clerk and Recorder.

9. BALLOT CERTIFICATION AND PREPARATION. The Municipality shall provide to the Clerk and Recorder the Municipality's ballot text by no later than **September 3, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.**, which is sixty (60) days prior to the election, pursuant to \S 1-5-203(3)(a), C.R.S.. The Municipality shall be solely responsible for the language, content, and accuracy of the ballot text.

In accordance with § 1-5-407(7), C.R.S., no printing or distinguishing marks shall be on the ballot except as specifically provided in the Code. Additionally, the ballot text shall be submitted by e-mail as an attachment that conforms to the following requirements, to Jami Gaultney at <u>jgaultney@adcogov.org</u>. Ballot questions and issues will be designated a number and a letter after ballot certification.

The ballot text, sample attached as "Exhibit A", shall be provided:

- In Microsoft Word format
- In Arial 10 point font
- With no extraordinary formatting (including, but not limited to, no bullets, text boxes, charts, spreadsheets, bolding, strike-outs, strike-throughs, parenthesis, or symbols)
- Ballot issue title and text shall be provided in all caps
- All contests must include the "term of office" and "vote for <u>#</u>" information

For purposes of consistency, when candidates choose to use nicknames they will appear on the ballot in quotation marks as follows: First Name "Nickname" Last Name.

An audio recording of all candidate names for Municipality's portion of the ballot must be provided by having the candidates call (720) 523-6046 and follow the recorded instructions by no later than the ballot certification deadline of **September 3, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.**

Within one (1) business day of receiving a "proof-ready" copy of the ballot text from the Clerk and Recorder, the Municipality shall proof and authorize the text and layout of its portion of the ballot prior to the printing of ballots. The Municipality will be allowed to make corrections to the ballot proof copy only within the one (1) business day period. If there is no response within the allotted proofing period, the District's portion of ballot text will be approved for printing.

10. ELECTION TESTING, AUDIT AND RESULTS. The Municipality may attend and observe any ballot testing, as scheduled by the Clerk and Recorder, prior to the election. The Municipality may also attend and observe any logic and accuracy or post-election audit conducted after Election Day, pursuant to §§ 1-7-509 and 1-7-514, C.R.S. Election results will not be final and official until certified by the canvass board, which may be up to 22 days after Election Day.

11. ELECTION DAY. On Election Day, the Municipality shall provide election support by telephone and/or in-person from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. or longer, as requested by the Clerk and Recorder. The Municipality must also act as a voter registration agent as required by § 1-2-202 (2), C.R.S., and assist voters with "same day voter registration" needs, if a voter appears and requests such service.

12. REFERENCE CALENDAR. The Municipality will comply with all of the dates listed in the Important Elections Dates calendar attached as "Exhibit B".

ARTICLE III: TABOR

The Municipality shall be solely responsible for its compliance with the requirements of TABOR, Colo. Const. art. X, § 20, for the purposes of the election, unless otherwise specified herein.

If the Municipality is required to prepare a TABOR notice for any ballot issue(s), the Municipality shall be solely responsible for its preparation, accuracy, and the language contained therein, and shall submit such notice, including pro and con summaries and fiscal information, to the Clerk and Recorder by no later than **September 20, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.**, which is forty-three (43) days prior to the election, pursuant to § 1-7-904, C.R.S. Such notice, including pro and con summaries and fiscal information, shall be submitted by e-mail as an attachment that conforms to the following requirements to Jami Gaultney at jgaultney@adcogov.org.

The notice, sample attached as "Exhibit C", shall be provided:

- in Microsoft Word format
- in Arial 10 point font
- with no extraordinary formatting (including, but not limited to, no bullets, text boxes, charts, spreadsheets, strike-outs, strike-throughs, bolding, or symbols)

If the Clerk and Recorder is responsible for preparing a TABOR notice package, the Clerk and Recorder shall do so in compliance with the provisions of TABOR, Colo. Const. art. X, § 20, and any pertinent Rules.

Except as otherwise specified herein, the Clerk and Recorder shall in no manner be responsible for the Municipality's compliance with the requirements of TABOR, nor shall the Clerk and Recorder in any manner be responsible for the language contained in the TABOR notice(s) prepared by the Municipality.

The Municipality shall be solely responsible for calculating and providing to the Clerk and Recorder any fiscal information necessary to comply with TABOR, Colo. Const. art. X, § 20(3)(b), and the Clerk and Recorder shall in no way be responsible for the accuracy of the fiscal information, which shall be placed in the ballot issue notice as provided by the Municipality.

If applicable, pursuant to § 1-7-906(2), C.R.S., the Municipality shall be responsible for mailing the ballot issue notice packet to each address of one or more active registered electors who do not reside within the County.

Within one (1) business day of receiving a "proof-ready" copy of the TABOR notice from the Clerk and Recorder, the Municipality shall proof and authorize the text and layout of its portion of the notice prior to the printing of notices. The Municipality will be allowed to make corrections to the notice proof copy only within the one (1) business day period. If there is no response within the allotted proofing period, the District's portion of the TABOR Notice will be approved for printing.

ARTICLE IV: COSTS

The Municipality shall reimburse the County for its prorata share of the actual costs of the election, as permitted under § 1-7-116(2)(b), C.R.S., including the costs associated with the mailing of the TABOR notice package (if applicable). Such proration shall be made based upon a formula of active registered voters within each entity participating in the election. The prorated actual costs shall include those expenses permitted by state law including, but not limited to, the costs of temporary labor, part-time labor, overtime, postage, equipment delivery, extraordinary equipment rental, printing, legal publications, mailings, materials, voter service and polling centers if applicable, election worker expenses, and other costs. There may be additional factors, for example anticipated voter turnout, that may affect this cost estimate. A multiple page ballot is possible and will result in additional costs. Actual costs may include charges for extraordinary ballot question length if said length results in increased printing costs. Minimum election cost is \$100.

For the 2021 election, it is estimated that costs to the Municipality will be approximately \$2.00 per active registered voter in the Municipality. This is an estimate only.

TABOR notice costs will be additional and will be billed for printing based on the number of pages consumed by the Municipality. TABOR notice costs will be based on the number of active registered voter households in the Municipality. There is a \$100 TABOR notice cost for entities with 1,000 voters or less. The TABOR notice cost for entities with 2,000 voters or less is \$500. Fees for Districts with more than 2,000 voters are based on proportional actual costs.

In the event Municipality has a mandatory recount, Municipality will be responsible and charged for the actual cost incurred by the County for conducting the recount.

In the event that there is an error in the ballot language certified to the Clerk and Recorder by the Municipality, and the Municipality requests that it be corrected, the Clerk and Recorder will make its best effort to correct the error on the ballot if time and circumstance allow. However, the Municipality will be responsible for the cost of correcting the error, including, but not limited to all costs associated with reprinting the ballots.

The Clerk and Recorder shall submit to the Municipality an invoice for all expenses incurred under this Agreement, and the Municipality shall remit to the Clerk and Recorder the total payment within thirty (30) days of the receipt of such invoice. If the invoice is not paid in full within thirty (30) days, the balance due may be subject to a ten percent (10%) per annum interest rate from the date due until paid in full.

ARTICLE V: CANCELLATION OF THE ELECTION

In the event the election is canceled, notice of such cancellation shall be provided by the Municipality to the Clerk and Recorder. The Municipality shall reimburse the Clerk and Recorder for the actual expenses incurred in preparing for the election, and those expenses shall be paid by the Municipality to the Clerk and Recorder within thirty (30) days of the receipt of an invoice therefor. If cancelation occurs after the certification deadline, full election costs may be incurred. If the actual expenses are not paid in full within thirty (30) days, the balance due may be subject to a ten percent (10%) per annum interest rate from the date due until paid in full.

ARTICLE VI: DAMAGES

Subject to the provisions of the Colorado Governmental Immunity Act, each party assumes liability for losses, costs, demands or actions arising out of or related to any actions, errors or omissions of its officers, employees, or agents in fulfilling its responsibilities for the election or under this Agreement. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall constitute any waiver by either party of the provisions of the Colorado Governmental Immunity Act or any other immunity or defense provided by statute or common law.

ARTICLE VII: CONDUCT OF THE ELECTION

It is the intent of the Parties that the Clerk and Recorder shall conduct the election and the Municipality shall timely supply the Clerk and Recorder with all information needed for that part of the election that is related to the Municipality.

ARTICLE VIII: MISCELLANEOUS

1. COUNTERPARTS AND ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which will be deemed to be an original copy of this Agreement and all of which, when taken together, will be deemed to constitute one and the same agreement. The facsimile, email or other electronically delivered signatures of the parties shall be deemed to constitute original signatures.

2. NOTICES. Any and all notices required to be given to the Parties by this Agreement are deemed to have been received and to be effective: a) three (3) days after the same shall have been mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested; b) immediately upon hand delivery; or c) immediately upon receipt of confirmation that a facsimile transmission thereof was received. All notices shall be addressed to the following Parties:

For the Clerk and Recorder: Josh Zygielbaum Adams County Clerk and Recorder 4430 S. Adams County Parkway Suite E3102 Brighton, Colorado 80601 Phone: (720) 523-6500 Facsimile: (720) 523-6266 E-mail: jzygielbaum@adcogov.org

Jennifer D. Stanley, Assistant County Attorney Adams County Attorney's Office 4430 S. Adams County Parkway, Suite C5000B Brighton, Colorado 80601 Phone: (720) 523-6116 Facsimile: (720) 523-6114 E-mail: jstanley@adcogov.org

For the Municipality:

Johanna Small, City Clerk	
Northglenn	
11701 Community Center Drive	
Northglenn, Colorado 80233	
303-450-8757	
303-450-8798	
jsmall@northglenn.org	

3. INTEGRATION OF UNDERSTANDING. This Agreement contains the entire understanding of the Parties hereto and neither it, nor the rights and obligations hereunder, may be changed, modified, or waived except by an instrument in writing that is signed by all of the Parties.

4. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this Agreement is determined to be unenforceable or invalid for any reason, the remainder of this Agreement shall remain in effect. No subsequent resolution or ordinance enacted the Municipality shall impair the rights of the Clerk and Recorder or the Municipality hereunder without the written consent of the Parties.

5. TIME OF ESSENCE. Time is of the essence under this Agreement. The statutory time frames or requirements of the Code, TABOR, and the Rules shall apply to the completion of any duties or tasks required under this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have signed this Agreement to be effective as of the date first written above.

CLERK AND RECORDER ADAMS COUNTY, COLORADO

Josh Zygielbaum

Date

Approved as to form:

Adams County Attorney's Office

FOR THE Municipality:

Name:Meredith LeightyTitle:Mayor

ATTEST:

Municipal Clerk

Date

Date

Approved as to form:

Municipality Attorney's Office

Exhibit A Ballot Text Examples

Contests

"District" "Office" "Term of Office" "(Vote for #)"

"Candidate names in Arial 10 point font and upper/lower case"

Ballot Questions

"District" Question "#"

"Ballot Title"

"Print ballot question in Arial 10 point font and upper/lower case text."

Ballot Issue

"DISTRICT" BALLOT ISSUE "#"

"BALLOT TITLE"

"PRINT BALLOT ISSUE IN ARIAL 10 POINT FONT AND ALL UPPERCASE TEXT."

Exhibit B Important Election Dates

The following are dates of important activities related to the 2021 election for reference by the Municipality.

2021 Election Activity Dates	
7/23	Last day for Municipality to notify Clerk of intent to participate
7/28	Clerk supplies Municipality with street locator file
8/13	Last day for Municipality to notify Clerk of street locator file discrepancies
8/24	Last day to sign IGA
9/3	Last day for Municipality to file ballot content with Clerk
9/3	Last day for Municipality to provide audio recording of candidates' names
9/3	Last day for Municipality to certify street locator file
9/20	Last day for Municipality to certify TABOR content, if applicable
11/2	Election day – Municipal Clerk's office must be open 7 a.m 7 p.m. to
11/2	assist voters

Exhibit C <u>TABOR Notice Example</u>

NOTICE OF ELECTION TO XXXXXXXX XXXXX

[two line spaces]

Election Date: Election Hours:	Tuesday, November 2, 2021 7:00 AM – 7:00 PM
	Name of Designated Election Official Entity Street Address City, CO Zip (xxx) xxx-xxxxx [phone] [extension if applicable]
[two line enaces]	

[two line spaces]

Ballot title and text of ballot issue:

Fiscal Information [insert table, type in info]

Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year Spending
20xx (Actual)	\$ xxx,xxx,xxx
20xx (Actual)	\$ xxx,xxx,xxx
20xx (Actual)	\$ xxx,xxx,xxx
20xx (Actual	\$ xxx,xxx,xxx
20xx (Estimated)	\$ xxx,xxx,xxx

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Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year Spending
20xx (Actual)	\$ xxx,xxx,xxx
20xx (Actual)	\$ xxx,xxx,xxx
20xx (Actual)	\$ xxx,xxx,xxx
20xx (Actual	\$ xxx,xxx,xxx
20xx (Estimated)	\$ xxx,xxx,xxx

Information on District's Current Debt*

XXXXX

XXXXX

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Summary of Written Comments FOR xxxxxxx:

Summary of Written Comments AGAINST xxxxxx:

Memorandum of Intergovernmental Agreement For Conduct of Coordinated Elections

City of Northglenn, hereinafter referred to as "Jurisdiction," does hereby agree and contract with the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Weld, hereinafter referred to as "Commissioners," and the Weld County Clerk and Recorder, hereinafter referred to as "County Clerk," concerning the administration of the November 2, 2021, Coordinated Election conducted pursuant to the Uniform Election Code of 1992 as amended (hereinafter "Code"), and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, found at 8 C.C.R. 1505-1. This Agreement is not intended to address or modify statutory provisions regarding voter registration, nor to address or modify the County Clerk's duties thereunder.

WHEREAS, the Jurisdiction desires to conduct an election pursuant to its statutory authority or to have certain items placed on the ballot at an election pursuant to its statutory authority, such election to occur via mail ballot on November 2, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Jurisdiction agrees to conduct a Coordinated Election with the County Clerk acting as the Coordinated Election Official; and

WHEREAS, the County Clerk is the "Coordinated Election Official," pursuant to C.R.S. §1-7-116, and is to perform certain election services in consideration of performances by the Jurisdiction of the obligations herein below set forth; and

WHEREAS, such agreements are authorized by statute at C.R.S. §§1-1-111(3), 1-7-116, and 29-1-203, et seq.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants herein, the parties agree as follows:

- 1. The Jurisdiction encompasses territory within Weld County and <u>Adams</u> County. This Agreement shall be construed to apply only to that portion of the Jurisdiction within Weld County.
- 2. Term of Agreement: This Agreement is intended only to deal with the conduct of the November 2, 2021, Coordinated Election.
- 3. The Jurisdiction agrees to perform the following tasks and activities:
 - a. Conduct all procedures required of the clerk or designated election official for initiatives, referenda, and referred measures under the provisions of C.R.S. §§31-11-101 through 31-11-118.
 - b. To do all tasks required by law of designated election officials concerning nomination of candidates by petition, including, but not limited to: issue approval as to form, where appropriate, of nominating petition; determine candidate eligibility; receive candidate acceptance of nominations; accept notice of intent, petitions for nomination, and affidavits of circulators; verify signatures on nominating petitions; and hear any protests of the nominating petitions, as said tasks are set forth in any applicable provisions of Title 1, Article IV, Parts 8 and 9, and C.R.S. §1-4-501, C.R.S., and those portions of the Colorado Municipal Election Code of 1965, Article X of Title 31, as adopted by reference pursuant to C.R.S. §1-4-805.

- c. Establish order of names and questions for Jurisdiction's portion of the ballot and submit to the County Clerk in final form. The ballot content, including a list of candidates, ballot title, and text, must be certified to the County Clerk no later than 60 days before the election, pursuant to C.R.S. §1-5-203(3)(a).
- d. Accept written comments for and against ballot issues pursuant to C.R.S. §§ 1-7-901 and Colorado Constitution Article 10, Section 20(3)(b)(v). Comments to be accepted must be filed by noon on the Friday before the 45th day before the election. Preparation of summaries of written comments shall be done by the Jurisdiction but only to the extent required pursuant to C.R.S. §1-7-903(3). The full text of any required ballot issue notices must be transmitted to and received by the County Clerk no later than 43 days prior to the election pursuant to C.R.S. §1-7-904. No portion of this Subsection 3(d) shall require the County Clerk to prepare summaries regarding the Jurisdiction's ballot issues.
- e. Collect, prepare, and submit all information required to give notice pursuant to Colorado Constitution Article 10, Section 20(3)(b), the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights. Such information must be received by the County Clerk no less than 43 days prior to the election to give the County Clerk sufficient time to circulate the information to voters.
- f. Accept affidavits of intent to accept write-in candidacy up until close of business on the 64th day before the election, provide a list of valid affidavits received and forward them to the County Clerk pursuant to C.R.S. §1-4-1102(2).
- g. Pay the sum of \$1.25 per registered elector eligible to vote in the Jurisdiction's election as of November 2, 2021, with a \$200 minimum, within 30 days of billing, regardless of whether or not the election is actually held. If the Jurisdiction cancels the election before its Section 20, Article X, the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights, notices are due to the County, and prior to the County Clerk incurring any expenses for the printing of the ballots, the Jurisdiction shall not be obligated for any expenses under this Subsection 3(g). The Jurisdiction shall also be responsible for costs of recounts pursuant to C.R.S. §§1-10.5-107 or 1-11-215, except for costs collected from an "interested party" pursuant to C.R.S. §1-10.5-106 which shall be collected by the entity conducting the recount.
- h. Designate an "election official" who shall act as the primary liaison between the Jurisdiction and the County Clerk and who will have primary responsibility for the conduct of election procedures to be handled by the Jurisdiction hereunder.
- i. By approval of this Agreement, any municipality thereby resolves to not use the provisions of the Colorado Municipal Election Code, except as otherwise set forth herein or as its use is specifically authorized by the Code.

- j. Mail ballot issue notices pursuant to C.R.S. §1-7-906(2) for active registered electors who do not reside within the county or counties where the political subdivision is located.
- k. Carry out all action necessary for cancellation of an election including notice pursuant to C.R.S. §1-5-208, and pay any costs incurred by the County Clerk within 30 days of receipt of an invoice setting forth the costs of the canceled election pursuant to C.R.S. §1-5-208(5).
- I. Jurisdiction shall verify as being accurate the list of registered elector's names and addresses previously forwarded to the Jurisdiction by the Weld County Clerk and Recorder's Office. By signing this Agreement, Jurisdiction represents that the list of registered elector's names and addresses has been reviewed by the Jurisdiction and is accurate. The Jurisdiction will promptly notify Adam Gonzales, the Weld County Election Manager (see contact information in 5(h)), of any changes to the information contained in said list.
- m. By September **3rd**, Jurisdiction shall notify all candidates to call the Election Office at 970-400-3109, to leave a voice mail on how to pronounce the candidate's name and the office the candidate is seeking.
- 4. The County Clerk Agrees to perform the following tasks and activities:
 - a. Except as otherwise expressly provided for in this Agreement, to act as the Coordinated Election Official for the conduct of the election for the Jurisdiction for all matters in the Code which require action by the Coordinated Election Official.
 - b. Circulate the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights notice pursuant to Colorado Constitution Article X, Section 20.
 - c. Circulate general Ballot Issues notices pursuant to C.R.S. §§ 1-7-905 and 1-7-906(1), and publish and post notice, as directed in C.R.S. §1-5-205.
 - d. Designate the statutory required number of drop boxes during the election cycle. Designate not less than the statutory requirement of voter service and polling centers for early voting and election day.
 - e. After Election Day, bill Jurisdiction for number of registered electors within the Jurisdiction as of Election Day; identify the members of the Board of Canvassers eligible for receiving a fee; and bill the Jurisdiction for the fees.
 - f. Designate an employee of the Weld County Clerk and Recorder's Office, Election Division to act as a primary liaison or contact between the County Clerk and the Jurisdiction (see contact information in 5(h)).

- g. The County Clerk shall appoint and train election judges and this power shall be delegated by the Jurisdiction to the County Clerk, to the extent required or allowed by law.
- h. Select and appoint a Board of Canvassers to canvass the votes, provided that the Jurisdiction, at its option, may designate one of its members and one eligible elector from the jurisdiction to assist the County Clerk in the survey of the returns for that Jurisdiction. If the Jurisdiction desires to appoint one of its members and an eligible elector to assist, it shall make such appointments, and shall notify the County Clerk in writing of such appointments not later than 15 days prior to the election. The County Clerk shall receive and canvass all votes, and shall certify the results in the time and manner provided and required by the Code. The County Clerk shall perform all recounts required by the Code.
- 5. Additional Provisions
 - a. Time of the Essence.

Time is of the essence in this Agreement. The statutory time frames of the Code shall apply to the completion of the tasks required by this Agreement.

b. Conflict of Agreement with Law.

This Agreement shall be interpreted to be consistent with the Code, provisions of Title 31 applicable to the conduct of elections, and the Colorado Election Rules contained in 8 C.C.R. 1505-1. Should there be an irreconcilable conflict between the statutes, this Agreement and the Colorado Election Rules, the statutes shall first prevail, then this Agreement and lastly the Colorado Election Rules.

c. Right of Termination.

If Jurisdiction fails to accomplish its obligations, County is relieved of any further obligation under this agreement. Jurisdiction is fully responsible for any actions that result from its failure to meet its obligations.

d. Liquidated Damages.

In the event that a Court of competent jurisdiction finds that the election for the Jurisdiction was void or otherwise fatally defective as a result of the sole negligence or failure of the County Clerk to perform in accordance with this Agreement or laws applicable thereto, then the County Clerk shall, as liquidated damage, not as a penalty, refund all payments made, pursuant to Subsection 3(g) of this Agreement and shall, if requested by the Jurisdiction, conduct the next Coordinated Election which may include any election made necessary by a defect in the election conducted pursuant to this Agreement with no fee assessed to the Jurisdiction. This remedy shall be the sole and exclusive remedy for damages available to the Jurisdiction under this Agreement.

e. No Waiver of Privileges or Immunities.

No term or condition of this Agreement shall be construed or interpreted as a waiver, express or implied, of any of the immunities, rights, benefits, protections or other provisions, of the Colorado Governmental Immunity Act §§ 24-10-101 et seq., as applicable now or hereafter amended, or any other applicable privileges or immunities held by the parties to this Agreement.

f. No Third Party Beneficiary Enforcement.

It is expressly understood and agreed that the enforcement of the terms and conditions of this Agreement, and all rights of action relating to such enforcement, shall be strictly reserved to the undersigned parties and nothing in this Agreement shall give or allow any claim or right of action whatsoever by any other person not included in this Agreement. It is the express intention of the undersigned parties that any entity other than the undersigned parties receiving services or benefits under this Agreement shall be an incidental beneficiary only.

g. Entire Agreement, Modification, Waiver of Breach.

This Agreement contains the entire Agreement and understanding between the parties to this Agreement and supersedes any other agreements concerning the subject matter of this transaction, whether oral or written. No modification, amendment, novation, renewal, or other alteration of or to this Agreement and any attached exhibits shall be deemed valid or of any force or effect whatsoever, unless mutually agreed upon in writing by the undersigned parties. No breach of any term, provision, or clause of this Agreement shall be deemed waived or excused, unless such waiver or consent shall be in writing and signed by the party claimed to have waived or consented. Any consent by any party hereto, or waiver of, a breach by any other party, whether express or implied, shall not constitute a consent to, waiver of, or excuse for any other, or subsequent, breach.

h. Notice provided for in this Agreement shall be given by the Jurisdiction to the primary liaison designated according to section 4.f. above:

Adam Gonzales Phone: (970) 400-3178 Fax: (970) 304-6566 Email: <u>agonzales@weldgov.com</u> Address: PO Box 459, Greeley, CO 80632

Notice provided for in this Agreement shall be given to the Jurisdiction election official referred to in Subsection 3(h) of this Agreement by phone:

Designated Election Official for Jurisdiction: <u>Johanna Small, City Clerk</u>

Phone: <u>303-450-8757</u>

After hour phone number: <u>303-594-6970</u>

Additional Contact Information:

Fax: <u>303-450-8798</u>

E-mail: jsmall@northglenn.org

Address: 11701 Community Center Drive

Northglenn, CO 80233

DATED this ______ day of ______, 2021.

WELD COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER

Carly Koppes, Clerk and Recorder

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF WELD COUNTY

Steve Moreno, Chair

ATTEST: _____ Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners

County Attorney

City of Northglenn APPROVED AS TO FORM: Deputy Clerk to the Board

CITY OF NORTHGLENN

Meredith Leighty, Mayor

ATTEST:

Designated Election Official for Jurisdiction 6 of 6

Attorney for Jurisdiction (Signature)

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