CITY CLERK'S OFFICE MEMORANDUM #17-01

DATE:

July 24, 2017

TO:

Honorable Mayor Joyce Downing and City Council Members

FROM:

James A. Hayes, City Managen

Johanna Small, City Clerk

SUBJECT:

CR-80 - November 7, 2017 Coordinated Election IGAs - Adams & Weld County

PURPOSE:

To approve agreements with Adams County and Weld County for the City's participation in the November 7, 2017 coordinated election.

BACKGROUND:

Pursuant to Section 2.3 of the Northglenn City Charter, regular municipal elections shall be held on the first Tuesday in November of every odd-numbered year. At the regular municipal election on November 7, 2017, a mayor and one council member from each of the City's four wards will be elected. The Council may also approve ballot questions and/or issues to be placed on the November ballot.

The City has participated in coordinated elections since 2005. The majority of Northglenn voters reside in Adams County; however, there are also a small number of electors that reside on property in Section 36 of Weld County. Coordinated, mail ballot elections increase voter convenience and turnout, and are more cost-effective than conducting a separate City election.

SUMMARY:

State law requires the City and Counties enter into an agreement concerning the conduct of coordinated elections. Intergovernmental agreements (IGAs) between the City and the Counties of Adams and Weld have been prepared to identify the duties of the City and Counties, and are being submitted for Council's consideration. The Counties will be conducting the November 7, 2017 election as a mail ballot election. The Counties will also provide voter service and polling centers prior to and on Election Day for voters that do not wish to vote by mail or may need to utilize an accessible voting system.

BUDGET/TIME IMPLICATIONS:

Section § 1-7-116(2), C.R.S. requires an IGA be fully executed no later than 70 days prior to the date of election. Approval on July 24th provides adequate time to return executed IGAs to the Counties for approval by the Boards of County Commissioners.

Pursuant to the IGAs, the City must reimburse the 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. Northglenn's proportional cost will be determined after the election and will be based on actual expenditures, the number of active registered voters, and the number of other participating entities.

The 2017 Budget includes funding for election expenses. Adams County has estimated the cost to be \$2.00 per voter, plus costs for the printing and mailing of the TABOR notice. There are approximately 18,000 registered voters in the City. Since 2011, actual costs have been less than \$1.00 per voter for elections conducted by Adams County. The City's cost to participate in the Weld County coordinated election will be the minimum fee of \$200.

NEXT STEPS/CITY COUNCIL OPTIONS

If approved, the IGAs will be forwarded to the Counties for approval. Staff will comply with the provisions of the agreements, which include the certification of street locator files, certification of ballot content, preparation of a TABOR notice, if applicable, and providing election support.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of CR-80.

STAFF REFERENCE

Please contact Johanna Small, City Clerk at jsmall@northglenn.org or 303-450-8757 with any questions.

ATTACHMENTS

November 7, 2017 Election Calendar



ELECTION CALENDAR Regular Municipal Election November 7, 2017

Upon candidacy	Individuals must file a Candidate Affidavit with the City Clerk's office within 10 days of becoming a candidate C.R.S. 1-45-110; See Campaign and Political Finance Rule 1.18		
July 28, 2017	Deadline for the City Clerk to notify the County Clerk & Recorder of the City's intent to participate in the coordinated election. (100 days prior) <i>C.R.S.</i> 1-7-116(5)		
July 31, 2017	Candidate Briefing/Orientation meeting will be held to provide an overview of the City and to answer questions regarding City operations and the election process.		
August 8, 2017	First day nomination petitions may be circulated. Petitions may be circulated and signed August 8 – August 28. Petitions must contain at least 25 signatures of registered electors residing in the City for mayoral candidates or at least 25 signatures of registered electors residing in the candidate's ward for council member candidates. (beginning 91 days prior and ending on the 71st day) C.R.S. 1-4-805; C.R.S. 31-10-302; NMC 13-1-4		
August 11, 2017	Last day to notify Adams County of any changes, additions, or deletions to Street Locator File. If changes are required, final certification of Street Locator due no later than August 16.		
August 28, 2017	Deadline to file nomination petitions with the City Clerk. Nomination petitions must be received in the City Clerk's office by 5:00 p.m. (71 days prior) <i>C.R.S. 1-4-805; C.R.S. 31-10-302; NMC 13-1-4</i>		
August 28, 2017	Last regular City Council meeting to approve ballot questions or TABOR issues.		
August 29, 2017	Deadline for IGA to be fully executed by the City and County. (no later than 70 days prior) C.R.S. 1-7-116(2)		
August 31, 2017	Last day nomination petition signatures, if determined by the City Clerk to be insufficient, may be amended, corrected or replaced. (at any time before the 67th day prior) <i>C.R.S. 1-4-805</i>		
September 5, 2017	Last day to file an affidavit of intent to run as a write-in candidate with the City Clerk. (64 days prior) (September 4 is Labor Day) C.R.S. 1-4-1102(2)		
September 6, 2017	Candidate names will be drawn by lot to determine the order they will appear on the ballot. C.R.S. 1-5-406		
September 8, 2017	Election season signs allowed on property in residential zones and in non-residential zones within the City. (60 days prior) NMC 21-7-1(b)(2) and 21-9-1(b)		
September 8, 2017	Last day for candidates to call the County Election Department to provide an audio recording of the candidate's name.		
September 8, 2017	Last day for City Clerk to certify ballot content to County Clerks. (60 days prior) C.R.S. 1-5-203(3)(a)		
September 22, 2017	Last day to file written Pro/Con statements concerning TABOR issues with the City Clerk in order to be included in the TABOR Notice. (Friday before the 45th day prior) Colo. Const. Art X, Sec. 20(3)(b)(v); C.R.S. 1-7-901(4)		

September 25, 2017	Last day for a petition representative (initiated TABOR measures) to submit a summary of comments in favor of a local ballot issue. (43 days prior) <i>C.R.S. 1-7-903</i> (3)		
September 26, 2017	Last day for City Clerk to deliver ballot issue notices, including full text of TABOR notice, to County Clerks. (42 days prior) <i>C.R.S. 1-7-904</i>		
October 6, 2017	Last day for Counties to mail TABOR notices of a ballot issue election. (30 days prior) Colo. Const. Art X, Sec. 20(3)(b); C.R.S. 1-1-106(5)		
October 16, 2017	Residency deadline to vote in the November 7, 2017 Election. (22 days immediately prior) <i>C.R.S. 1-2-101(1)(b)</i> Citizens may register to vote at any time up to and on the day of election.		
October 16, 2017	First day for County Clerks to send mail ballot packets to eligible electors. (no sooner than 22 days and no later than 18 days prior) <i>C.R.S.</i> 1-7.5-107(3)(a)		
October 17, 2017	Campaign Finance Reports due for municipal candidates and committees active in the November 7, 2017 Election. (21 days prior) (Reporting Period: 10/28/2016 – 10/12/2017) C.R.S. 1-45-108(2)(a)(II)		
October 18, 2017	Last day for County Clerks to publish notice of election. (20 days prior) <i>C.R.S. 1-5-205</i>		
October 23, 2017	Counting of mail ballots may begin. No results shall be disclosed until after 7:00 p.m. on Election Day. (15 days prior) <i>C.R.S. 1-7.5-107.5</i>		
November 3, 2017	Campaign Finance Reports due for municipal candidates and committees active in the November 7, 2017 Election. (Friday before election) (Reporting Period: 10/13/2017 – 10/29/2017) C.R.S. 1-45-108(2)(a)(II)		
November 7, 2017	ELECTION DAY City Clerk to provide election support from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. or longer, if requested by County. Voter Service and Polling Centers and Ballot Drop-off Locations open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Voted ballots must be in the hands of the County Clerk by 7:00 p.m. C.R.S. 1-7.5-107(4)(b)(II)		
November 12, 2017	Election season signs must be removed. (5 days after) NMC 21-7-1(b)(2) and 21-9-1(b)		
November 21, 2017	Last day for verification and counting of provisional ballots to be completed. (Within 14 days after the election) <i>C.R.S. 1-8.5-105(5)</i>		
November 24, 2017	County Board of Canvassers shall prepare official abstract of votes cast. (No later than 17 days after the election) <i>C.R.S. 1-10-102(1)</i>		
December 7, 2017	Campaign Finance Reports due for municipal candidates and committees active in the November 7, 2017 Election. (30 days after the election) (Reporting Period: 10/30/2017 – 12/02/2017) C.R.S. 1-45-108(2)(a)(II)		
December 8, 2017	Last day an interested party may request a recount of the results at their own expense. (within 31 days after the election) C.R.S. 1-10.5-106(2)		
December 9, 2019	Designated Election Official may destroy election records. (at least 25 months after the election) <i>C.R.S. 1-7-802</i>		

COUNCILMAN'S RESOLUTION RESOLUTION NO. No. CR-80 Series of 2017 Series of 2017 A RESOLUTION APPROVING INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS WITH THE COUNTIES OF ADAMS AND WELD FOR THE PURPOSE OF PARTICIPATING IN THE NOVEMBER 7, 2017 COORDINATED ELECTION BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTHGLENN, COLORADO, THAT: The Intergovernmental Agreements between the City of Northglenn and Section 1. 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. Section 2. 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 ________, 2017. JOYCE DOWNING Mayor ATTEST: JOHANNA SMALL, CMC City Clerk APPROVED AS TO FORM: COREY Y. HOFFMANN City Attorney

SPONSORED BY: MAYOR DOWNING

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN ADAMS COUNTY AND THE CITY/TOWN OF NORTHGLENN FOR THE NOVEMBER 7, 2017 COORDINATED ELECTION

THIS INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is made and entered into this _____ day of ______, 2017, 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, hereinafter referred to as the "Municipality" for the purpose of conducting a Coordinated Election to be held on **November 7, 2017**. 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 § 29-1-203, C.R.S., as amended, 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.), as amended, 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 term is 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., as amended, 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 7, 2017 Coordinated 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 Deputy Clerk and Recorder, Christi Coburn, 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. Christi Coburn can be reached at (720) 523-6048 or ccoburn@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., as amended.
- 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, upon request and payment by the Municipality, 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, whose phone number is (303) 450-8757 and whose e-mail address is jsmall@northglenn.org, as its "designated election official," pursuant to § 1-1-104(8), C.R.S., as amended. 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 ccoburn@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) 523-6048; and facsimile number: (720) 523-6266. Email communications are preferred and should be sent to ccoburn@adcogov.org.
- 2. ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION. In order to avoid any potential discrepancies and as allowed by § C.R.S. 1-1-102, 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 Coordinated 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.
- 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. Consequently, as long as the Clerk and Recorder has been timely notified of the Municipality's intent to participate in the Coordinated Election, the Clerk and Recorder will provide to the Municipality a street locator file by July 31, 2017. The file will contain a list of the street addresses 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 11, 2017 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. Municipality will inspect the file and shall make a final certification as to the accuracy of the locator file by no later than August 16, 2017. 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 Coordinated Election on November 7, 2017.
- 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 Coordinated Election, pursuant to § 1-5-205(1.4), C.R.S., as amended. 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., as amended, except as otherwise provided herein.

5. DROP OFF SITES. If a Municipality facility is used as a drop off site, the Municipality Clerk will receive and sign a separate agreement outlining his or her responsibilities and will ensure that all applicable laws, Rules and instructions provided by the Clerk and Recorder will be followed by all Municipality staff attending the ballot box. Training will be provided by the Clerk and Recorder staff at the election office and at least one individual representing the Municipal Clerk's office shall attend prior to a Municipality's facility becoming a drop off site.

On Election Day the drop off site shall be open to the public from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. and a representative of the Municipal Clerk's office will be present and available at the drop off site until the ballot box is picked up by the Clerk and Recorder staff.

Drop off sites must be open to the public beginning **October 16, 2017** through election day, including **Saturdays.**

- 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 8, 2017 at 3:00 p.m.**, which is sixty (60) days prior to the election, pursuant to § 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 Christi Coburn at ccoburn@adcogov.org.

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

All races must include the "term of office" and "vote for #" information.

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 8, 2017 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

- 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 Coordinated 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., as amended. Election results will not be final and official until certified by the canvass board, which may be up to 17 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 A".

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 26, 2017 at 3:00 p.m.**, which is forty-two (42) days prior to the election, pursuant to § 1-7-904, C.R.S., as amended. 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 Christi Coburn at ccoburn@adcogov.org. The notice 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 on the ballot issue notice as provided by the Municipality. If applicable, pursuant to § 1-7-906(2), C.R.S., as amended, 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.

ARTICLE IV: COSTS

The Municipality shall reimburse the County for its prorata share of the actual costs of the Coordinated Election, as permitted under § 1-7-116(2)(b), C.R.S., as amended, 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 Coordinated 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. Actual costs may include charges for extraordinary ballot question length if said length results in increased printing costs.

For the 2017 Coordinated 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. 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. TABOR notice costs will be additional and will be billed for printing based on the number of pages consumed by the Municipality. TABOR mailing costs will be based on the number of active registered voter households in the Municipality.

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 Coordinated 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. 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 Parties as set forth below:

For the Clerk and Recorder:

Stan Martin 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: <u>smartin@adcogov.org</u>

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 City of Northglenn PO Box 330061 Northglenn, CO 80233 Phone: (303) 450-8757

Facsimile: (303) 450-8798 E-mail: jsmall@northglenn.org

2. 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.

- 3. 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 by the County or the Municipality shall impair the rights of the County, the Clerk and Recorder, or the Municipality hereunder without the written consent of all of the Parties.
- 4. 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 Stan Martin Date Approved as to form: Adams County Attorney's Office FOR THE Municipality: Name: Joyce Downing Date Title: Mayor ATTEST: Municipal Clerk Date Approved as to form: Municipality Attorney's Office

EXHIBIT A

Important Election Dates

The following are dates of important activities related to the 2017 Coordinated Election for reference by the Municipality. This exhibit is intended to serve as a reference tool only.

2017 Coordinated Election Activity Dates				
7/28	Last day for Municipality to notify Clerk of intent to participate			
7/31	Clerk supplies Municipality with street locator file			
8/11	Last day for Municipality to notify Clerk of street locator file discrepancies			
8/16	Last day for Municipality to certify street locator file			
8/29	Last day to sign IGA			
9/8	Last day for Municipality to file ballot content with Clerk			
9/8	Last day for Municipality to provide audio recording of candidates' names			
9/26	Last day for Municipality to certify TABOR content, if applicable			
10/16	Municipality must be open to accept ballots if the city has a drop box			
	Election day – Municipal Clerk's office must be open 7am - 7pm to assist			
11/7	voters			

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 7, 2017, 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 7, 2017; 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 § 1-7-116(1), C.R.S., 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 §§ 1-1-111(3), 1-7-116, 2 and 29-1-203, et seq., C.R.S.

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

- The Jurisdiction encompasses territory within Weld County and ______ Adams
 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 7, 2017, 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 §§ 31-11-101 through 31-11-118, C.R.S.
 - 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 §§ 1-4-501, and those portions of the Colorado Municipal Election Code of 1965, Article X of Title 31, as adopted by reference pursuant to § 1-4-805, C.R.S.
 - 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 § 1-5-203(3)(a), C.R.S.

- d. Accept written comments for and against ballot issues pursuant to §§ 1-7-901 and Article 10, Section 20(3)(b)(v), C.R.S. Comments to be accepted must be filed by the end of the business day 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 § 1-7-903(3), C.R.S. The full text of any required ballot issue notices must be transmitted to and received by the County Clerk no later than 42 days prior to the election pursuant to § 1-7-904, C.R.S. 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 Section 20, Article 10(3)(b), the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights. Such information must be received by the County Clerk no less than 42 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, and provide a list of valid affidavits received and forward them to the County Clerk pursuant to § 1-4-1102(2), C.R.S.
- g. Pay the sum of \$1.25 per registered elector eligible to vote in the Jurisdiction's election as of November 7, 2017, 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) (h). The Jurisdiction shall also be responsible for costs of recounts pursuant to §§ 1-10.5-107, 1-10.5-104, or 1-11-215 C.R.S., except for costs collected from an "interested party" pursuant to § 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 § 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 cancelation of an election including notice pursuant to § 1-5-208, C.R.S., 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 § 1-5-208(5), C.R.S.

- 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. Jurisdiction shall notify all candidates to call the Election Office at 970-304-6525 ext. 3109 to leave a voice mail containing the candidates name pronunciation 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 §§ 1-7-905 and 1-7-906(1), C.R.S. and publish and post notice, as directed in § 1-5-205, C.R.S.
 - d. For any election, other than a general election, for which a county clerk and recorder is the designated election official, there must be a minimum number of mail ballot drop-off locations where mail ballots may be deposited equal to at least one drop-off location for each thirty thousand active registered electors in the county; except that, if the district or political subdivision for which the election is being conducted is less populous than the county, the county clerk and recorder shall designate at least one mail ballot drop-off location for each thirty thousand current active registered electors eligible to vote in that election. The drop-off locations shall be arrayed throughout the county in a manner that provides the greatest convenience to electors. (b) The minimum number of drop-off locations described in paragraph (a) of this subsection (4.3) shall accept mail ballots delivered by electors during, at a minimum, the four days prior to and including the day of the election; except that mail ballots are not required to be accepted on Sundays. Mail ballots shall be accepted from electors at drop-off location during, at a minimum, reasonable business hours. §§ 1-7.5-107(4.3)(a)(b), C.R.S
 - e. For any primary or November coordinated election, the county clerk and recorder shall designate voter service and polling centers equal to no fewer than the number of county motor vehicle offices in the county; except that each county shall have no fewer than one voter service and polling center, and, for counties with fewer than twenty-five thousand active electors, as that term is described in subparagraph (II) of this paragraph (a), only one voter service and polling center is required. The county clerk and recorder may add additional voter service and polling center locations as necessary. §§ 1-7.5-107(4.5)(a)(I), C.R.S
 - f. The minimum number of voter service and polling centers shall be open during, at a minimum, the eight days prior to and including the day of the election; except that voter

service and polling centers are not required to be open on Sundays. §§ 1-7.5-107(4.5)(II)(C)(c), C.R.S

- g. 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.
- h. Designate Adam Gonzales, Weld County Election Manager, to act as a primary liaison or contact between the County Clerk and the Jurisdiction (see contact information in 5(h)).
- 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.
- j. 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 Adam

Gonzales of the Weld County Clerk and Recorder's Office by phone:				
	Phone:	(970) 400-3178		
	Additional Co	ontact Information:		
	E-mail:	(970) 304-6566 agonzales@weldgov.c PO Box 459, Greeley		
		in this Agreement sha ection 3(h) of this Agr	all be given to the Jurisdiction election official eement by phone:	
	Designated E	Election Official for Juris	diction:Johanna Small, City Clerk	
Phone: <u>303-450-8757</u>				
Additional Contact Information:				
	Fax:303	-450-8798		
	E-mail: js	mall@northglenn.org		
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DATED this _	day	v of	, 2017.	
WELD COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER			BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF WELD COUNTY	
Carly Koppes	, Clerk and Re	ecorder	Julie Cozad, Chair	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:			ATTEST: Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners	
County Attorn	nev		Deputy Clerk to the Board	
County Attorney			Deputy Clerk to the Board	
City of Northglenn			CITY OF NORTHGLENN	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:			Joyce Downing, Mayor	
			ATTEST:	
Attorney for Jurisdiction (Signature)				
			Designated Election Official for Jurisdiction	

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