



**TOWN OF ESTES PARK
SPECIAL ELECTION
JANUARY 12, 2010**

CITIZEN INFORMATION

INITIATED ORDINANCE. Petitions for an Initiated Ordinance for the abolishment of the Estes Park Urban Renewal Authority were submitted to the Town Clerk's office on July 8, 2009. The petitions were certified as sufficient on August 6, 2009 and a "Statement of Sufficiency" was presented to the Town Board for consideration on August 25, 2009. The Board did not adopt the Initiated Ordinance, and therefore set a Special Election on January 12, 2010. Attached for review is Ordinance 07-09.

LAST DAY TO REGISTER. Anyone desiring to vote in the Special Election who is not already registered must register by December 14, 2009. An application is available at the Town Clerk's office at 170 MacGregor Avenue, Room 150 or online http://www.elections.colorado.gov/Content/Documents/voter_registration_forms/fillable_combo_vr_english.pdf

MAIL BALLOT ELECTION. The Special Election will be a mail ballot election conducted by the Larimer County Clerk & Recorder's Office. Ballots will be mailed to all active registered voters during the week of December 21, 2009. If you would like your ballot mailed to an address other than your registered address, you must complete a Mail-In Ballot application no later than January 5, 2010. The applications are available in the Town Clerk's Office at 170 MacGregor Avenue, Room 150 or online at http://www.estesnet.com/TownClerk/Election/mib_application_estes.pdf.

The application can be returned to one of the following:

Larimer County Clerk & Recorder

Physical: 200 W. Oak St., 5th Floor
Mailing: P.O. Box 1547
Fort Collins, CO 80522
Fax (970) 498-7845

Town Clerk's Office

Physical: 170 MacGregor Ave.
Mailing: P.O. Box 1200
Estes Park, CO 80517
Fax (970) 586-2816

REPLACEMENT BALLOT INFORMATION. If you spoil, deface or lose your ballot, you may obtain a replacement ballot, one at a time, not to exceed three ballots in all. Contact the Larimer County Elections Office to obtain instructions for requesting a replacement ballot by calling (970) 498-7820. The Town Clerk's office will also be available to replace ballots, please call 577-3702.

DESIGNATED DROP OFF SITES. Starting December 22, 2009 through January 12, 2010, you may return your voted ballot by mail or you may hand deliver your ballot to any of the following locations weekdays during regular business hours:

**Larimer County Clerk &
Recorder**

Physical: 200 W. Oak St., 5th Fl
Mailing: P.O. Box 1547
Fort Collins, CO 80522

Town Clerk's Office

Physical: 170 MacGregor Ave.
Mailing: P.O. Box 1200
Estes Park, CO 80517

Larimer County Office

1601 Brodie Avenue
Estes Park, CO 80517

On Election Day, January 12, 2010, these locations will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Ballots must be received by 7:00 p.m. on Election Day in order for your vote to be counted. Ballots received after 7:00 p.m. on Election Day will not be counted. **Postmarks do not count as received.**

ORDINANCE NO. 07-09

WHEREAS, on July 8, 2009, an Initiated Ordinance Petition was filed with the Town Clerk; and

WHEREAS, on August 25, 2009, the Town Clerk issued a Statement of Sufficiency to the Town Board stating that the Initiated Ordinance Petition has the requisite number of signatures; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees have reviewed the Initiated Ordinance Petition.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF ESTES PARK, COLORADO, as follows:

Section 1: The Estes Park Municipal Code shall be amended by the addition of Section 2.90, to read:

Section 2.90.010 – Discretionary Districts and Authorities

- (a) Before the creation of any Urban Renewal Authority authorized under the Colorado Revised Statutes, the question of the creation of the same, shall first be submitted and approved at a regular or special election.
- (b) If approved at the special or general election required under Subsection (a) of this Section, the Town must comply with all applicable requirements set forth under the Colorado Revised Statutes.
- (c) An Urban Renewal Authority duly existing at the time of the enactment of this Municipal Code Section 2.90.010 shall be abolished consistent with all applicable Colorado Revised Statutes and shall immediately take any and all necessary steps to wind down its operations and to provide adequate arrangements for payment of any outstanding indebtedness and other obligations within a reasonable period of time not to exceed six months.

Section 2: This Ordinance shall take effect and be enforced thirty (30) days after its adoption and publication.

On August 25, 2009, the Board of Trustees of the Town of Estes Park, Colorado did not pass the ordinance, and by state statute 31-11-104 have referred the initiated ordinance to the registered electors at a special election on January 12, 2010.