

**TOWN OF MEAD, COLORADO
RESOLUTION NO. 76-R-2020**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF MEAD, COLORADO, REFERRING A
BALLOT ISSUE TO THE REGISTERED ELECTORS OF THE TOWN OF
MEAD AT THE NOVEMBER 3, 2020 SPECIAL ELECTION, REGARDING
INCREASING THE LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX TO PAY EXCLUSIVELY
FOR SUPPORT OF THE MEAD POLICE DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, the Town of Mead (the “Town”), is a Colorado statutory town duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Colorado; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees desires to provide additional Town funding for the Mead Police Department; and

WHEREAS, it is proper to submit to the Town’s voters a ballot issue to allow the voters to determine whether they desire to fund the Mead Police Department through the imposition of an additional sales and use tax imposed at a rate of 0.75%, beginning January 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS, if approved by the Town’s voters the new revenue generated by the additional sales and use tax would be dedicated purely to the support of the Mead Police Department and for no other purpose; and

WHEREAS, if voters do not approve a dedicated revenue stream for the Mead Police Department, public-safety related expenses are projected to take up more than half of the Town’s annual budget in ten years, requiring cuts in other areas; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance No. 940, there has been called and set a special election for the Town of Mead to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2020, as a coordinated election with Weld County pursuant to the Uniform Election Code of 1992, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has determined to submit the “Purely Police” ballot issue at the November 3, 2020 special election, as set forth below,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Town of Mead, Weld County, Colorado, that:

Section 1. The Board of Trustees hereby approves and refers the following ballot issue for submission to the voters to appear on the ballot for the special election to be held on November 3, 2020:

BALLOT ISSUE _____

SHALL THE TOWN OF MEAD TAXES BE INCREASED BY \$907,500 ANNUALLY
(WHICH AMOUNT REPRESENTS ESTIMATED REVENUES IN 2021, THE FIRST

FULL FISCAL YEAR OF COLLECTION) AND BY WHATEVER AMOUNT IS GENERATED THEREAFTER BY AN ADDITIONAL SALES AND USE TAX IMPOSED AT A RATE OF THREE QUARTERS OF ONE PERCENT (0.75%), BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2021, TO PAY EXCLUSIVELY FOR SUPPORT OF THE MEAD POLICE DEPARTMENT, INCLUDING:

- ADDING PERSONNEL, TRAINING AND EQUIPMENT TO THE MEAD POLICE DEPARTMENT TO SUPPORT PROACTIVE, COMMUNITY POLICING EFFORTS AND ENHANCE PUBLIC SAFETY,
- THE CONTINUED FUNDING OF SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS FOR MEAD SCHOOLS, AND
- PROVIDING 24/7 POLICE SERVICES AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE,

AND SHALL THE TAX REVENUES COLLECTED:

- BE RETAINED IN A SEGREGATED ACCOUNT SEPARATE FROM ALL OTHER TOWN FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS, AND
- BE USED ONLY TO PAY FOR SUPPORT OF THE MEAD POLICE DEPARTMENT AND NEVER BE TRANSFERRED INTO THE TOWN GENERAL FUND OR USED FOR ANY PURPOSE OTHER THAN SUPPORT OF THE MEAD POLICE DEPARTMENT,

AND SHALL SUCH TAX REVENUES BE COLLECTED, RETAINED AND SPENT AS A VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE UNDER ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REVENUE OR EXPENDITURE LIMITATIONS CONTAINED IN THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION OR ANY OTHER LAW?

YES _____

NO _____

Section 2. This Resolution shall serve to set the title and content for the ballot issue set forth herein and the ballot title for such issue shall be the text of the issue itself.

Section 3. The Town Clerk is authorized to correct typographical errors and omissions and to cause to be entered into any blanks of the ballot issue the appropriate ballot issue number or letter upon designation of the ballot number or letter by the appropriate election official. The Town Clerk shall certify the ballot content for the special election, including the ballot issue set forth above to the Weld County Clerk no later than 60 days before the election, pursuant to C.R.S. § 1-5-203(3)(a).

Section 4. The Town Manager, Town Attorney and Town Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to take all necessary and appropriate action to effectuate the provisions of this Resolution including the taking of all reasonable and necessary action to cause such approved ballot issue to be printed and placed on the ballot for the coordinated election.

Section 5. Effective Date. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

Section 6. Repealer. All resolutions, or parts thereof, in conflict with this resolution are hereby repealed, provided that such repealer shall not repeal the repealer clauses of such resolution nor revive any resolution thereby.

Section 7. Certification. The Town Clerk shall certify to the passage of this resolution and make not less than one copy of the adopted resolution available for inspection by the public during regular business hours.

INTRODUCED, READ, PASSED, AND ADOPTED THIS 31st DAY OF August, 2020.

ATTEST:

By



Mary E. Strutt, MMC, Town Clerk



TOWN OF MEAD

By



Colleen G. Whitlow, Mayor