

ESTES VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

RESOLUTION 2023-04

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING BALLOT ISSUE LANGUAGE FOR  
A MILL LEVY INCREASE FOR THE MAY 2, 2023 REGULAR DISTRICT ELECTION**

**WHEREAS**, by Resolution dated January 11, 2023 the Board of Directors of the Estes Valley Fire Protection District (the "**District**") initiated the potential submittal of a ballot issue to the District electors at the May 2, 2023 regular special district election which requires action by the Board of Directors to determine to proceed with such ballot, finalize and set the title for the ballot (the "**Election**"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors of the District hereby determines that the language of such ballot issues shall be as set forth herein.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved by the Board of Directors of the Estes Valley Fire Protection District in the County of Larimer, State of Colorado that:

1. The ballot titles for the tax levy increase and revenue and spending authorizations shall be in substantially the form shown on Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.
2. Pursuant to Section 1-11-203.5, C.R.S., any election contest arising out of a ballot issue election concerning the order of the ballot or the form or content of the ballot title shall be commenced by petition filed with the proper court within five (5) days after the title of the ballot issue is set.
3. If any part or provision of this Resolution is adjudged to be unenforceable or invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remaining provisions of this Resolution, it being the Board's intention that the various provisions hereof are severable.
4. All acts, orders, and resolutions, or parts thereof, of the Board which are inconsistent or in conflict with this Resolution are hereby repealed to the extent only of such inconsistency or conflict.
5. The provisions of this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

ADOPTED this 22nd day of February, 2023.

ESTES VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

By   
Chairman

ATTEST:

By   
Secretary

**EXHIBIT A TO ELECTION RESOLUTION**

**ESTES VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BALLOT ISSUE A:**

SHALL ESTES VALLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT TAXES BE INCREASED \$1,220,000 IN THE FIRST FULL FISCAL YEAR OR BY SUCH AMOUNT AS MAY BE RAISED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER BY THE IMPOSITION OF AN ADDITIONAL AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAX RATE OF UP TO 2.900 MILLS, COMMENCING IN COLLECTION YEAR 2024 AND CONTINUING THEREAFTER, FOR GENERAL OPERATING AND CAPITAL PROGRAMS OF THE DISTRICT, INCLUDING:

- ENHANCING EMERGENCY RESPONSE (ENHANCING VOLUNTEER RESPONSE MODEL AND ADDING LIMITED FULL TIME FIRE OFFICERS TO ACHIEVE 24/7 STAFFING)
- ENHANCING COMMUNITY RISK REDUCTION FOR WILDFIRE AND OTHER FIRE RISKS (ADDITIONAL STAFF FOR EDUCATION AND MITIGATION OF FIRE RISKS ACROSS THE COMMUNITY), AND
- CONTINUED NECESSARY MAINTENANCE OF EXISTING FACILITIES, VEHICLES, AND EQUIPMENT TO EXTEND THEIR USEFUL LIFE; AND

SHALL THE DISTRICT BE AUTHORIZED TO COLLECT, RETAIN AND SPEND THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH ADDITIONAL PROPERTY TAX AS A VOTER-APPROVED EXCEPTION TO THE LIMITS WHICH WOULD OTHERWISE APPLY UNDER ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION OR ANY OTHER LAW AND WITH THE FUNDS SUBJECT TO AN ANNUAL AUDIT AND REPORT AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC?