

# KIM MONSON'S

# 2022

## Colorado Voter's Guide



**Force vs Freedom**

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# Welcome to Kim Monson's 2022 Colorado Voter's Guide

This Voter's Guide is written for "We the People" of Colorado. I've analyzed these issues through the lens of freedom for individuals vs force of government. High inflation, heavy taxes, and fees are hurting everyday hard-working Coloradans who yearn for the independence to pursue their hopes and dreams. Each election cycle we are presented with ballot questions that may sound compassionate; however, when looking at the details, we realize that the compassionate narrative is actually a cover for PBI's (Politicians, Bureaucrats and Interested Parties) to create more and more cronyist bureaucracies that are run by unelected and unaccountable bureaucrats to "We the People." We each have a civic duty to be an "informed voter" not an "influenced voter." If individuals do not take the time to become an "informed voter," they have the civic duty to not vote.

Included in this "We the People" Voter's Guide is an analysis regarding the 11 statewide questions as well as some county, municipal and school district questions. My hope is that if your specific ballot question is not included in this guide, you can use the foundational principle of freedom for the individual vs force of government as you make your ballot decisions.

I realize that we may disagree on different issues. That's okay. My hope is that this is a tool for you to make rational, reasoned and wise decisions as you complete your ballot.

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# Ballot Information

If an amendment or proposition is a letter, it has been referred to the ballot by the legislature. If an amendment or proposition is a number, it has been placed on the ballot via citizen initiative through signatures gathered in front of the grocery store, hardware store, etc.

Colorado's Taxpayer's Bill of Rights (TABOR) is an amendment to the Colorado Constitution voted on by the people of Colorado. TABOR states that a tax increase question on the ballot must be noted in all capital letters. There are some questions that may increase your taxes in the future; however, such questions are not required to be noted in all capital letters.

Drop your ballot in a ballot box or vote at a voting center either late Monday, 11/7 or early Monday 11/8. DO NOT MAIL YOUR BALLOT IN!

An excellent resource regarding tax questions throughout Colorado is **Colorado Election Guide 2022 ([ballot2022.com](http://ballot2022.com))**.

# State Issues

This Voter's Guide includes analysis and recommendations on each of the eleven amendments or propositions on the statewide ballot. The statewide amendments and propositions matter. By defeating Prop FF (School Lunches) and Prop 123 (Affordable "Subsidized" housing) Coloradoans will have an estimated additional \$237 million to \$342 million in our pockets.

## **Amendment D**

# **Vote YES**

It seems to make sense to move judges from the current 18th Judicial District to the newly formed 23rd Judicial District. It also makes sense that they be required to reside in the 23rd Judicial District.

House Concurrent Resolution 22-1005 – New 23rd Judicial District Judges

*Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning judges of the newly created twenty-third judicial district, and, in connection therewith, directing the governor to designate judges from the eighteenth judicial district to serve the remainder of their terms in the twenty-third judicial district and requiring a judge so designated to establish residency within the twenty-third judicial district?*

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## **Amendment E**

# **Vote NO**

It is with extreme consternation that I am recommending a "NO" vote on Amendment E. I love our Veterans. I love our military. I love America and I love my Freedom. However, the American Ideal is that each individual is treated equally and impartially under the law. The men and women of our military have fought and died for this ideal.

The Colorado Homestead Exemption Law currently provides a property tax exemption for an owner-occupied residence of a qualifying senior or veteran with a disability (homestead exemption) that is equal to 50% of the first \$200,000 of the actual value of the property. This law treats property owners unequally because it creates a tiered tax system. If lower taxes are helpful to seniors and disabled veterans, then lower taxes are good for everyone. Instead of carving out exemptions for certain groups of Coloradans over another, the better solution is to lower property taxes for everyone.

## **House Concurrent Resolution 22-1003 – Extend Homestead Exemption To Gold Star Spouses**

*Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning the extension of the property tax exemption for qualifying seniors and disabled veterans to the surviving spouse of a United States armed forces service member who died in the line of duty or veteran whose death resulted from a service-related injury or disease?*

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## **Amendment F**

# **Vote NO**

As a freedom girl, I would normally favor reducing the time-frame requirement for organizations operating games of chance. However, this amendment dictates the amount that a person may receive for participating in the management or operation of any such game. This is not appropriate as an amendment to our state Constitution.

## House Concurrent Resolution 22-1006 – Charitable Gaming Constitutional Amendment

*Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning the conduct of charitable gaming activities, and, in connection therewith, allowing managers and operators to be paid and repealing the required period of a charitable organization's continuous existence before obtaining a charitable gaming license?*

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# Proposition FF

## Vote NO

### Prop FF is a bad idea.

Proposition FF is poorly written and very complicated. It is dishonest because, per the text of the bill, it does not provide healthy meals for all children. It pays for meals for some children. There are already many programs in place to feed hungry children.

Proposition FF is a massive \$107,000,000 tax increase the first year and very possibly a higher tax increase in the future. This proposition is unfair as it does not treat taxpayers equally.

Proposition FF creates four new bureaucracies that are unelected and unaccountable to the people. These bureaucracies live off our tax dollars and receive a designated percentage of our tax dollars to run these bureaucracies. The Local School Food Purchasing Technical Assistance and Education Grant bureaucracy would issue a grant to a "chosen" non-profit to promote Colorado grown, raised, or processed foods. Additionally the department is authorized to seek and accept gifts, grants and donations from public and private sources for these bureaucracies. This opens the door to cronyism and very possibly could become influence peddling.

And this proposition is an assault on our Colorado Constitution. It dictates excess tax dollars collected would not be subject to our Colorado's Taxpayers Bill of Rights equation and would allow these bureaucracies to keep excess revenues forever. Ultimately this takes away the voice and vote of our children and our grandchildren.

### House Bill 22-1414 – Healthy Meals For All Public School Students

*Shall state taxes be increased \$100,727,820 annually by a change to the Colorado Revised Statutes that, to support healthy meals for public school students, increases state taxable income only for individuals who have federal taxable income of \$300,000 or more by limiting itemized or standard state income tax deductions to \$12,000 for single tax return filers and \$16,000 for joint tax return filers, and, in connection therewith, creating the healthy school meals for all program to provide free school meals to students in public schools; providing grants for participating schools to purchase Colorado grown, raised, or processed products, to increase wages or provide stipends for employees who prepare and serve school meals, and to create parent and student advisory committees to provide advice to ensure school meals are healthy and appealing to all students; and creating a program to assist in promoting Colorado food products and preparing school meals using basic nutritious ingredients with minimal reliance on processed products?*

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# Proposition GG

## Vote NO

This is akin to putting the fox in charge of the henhouse. Interested parties could tilt the ballot question in their favor. This proposition would require the director of research of the legislative council of the Colorado general assembly to prepare a fiscal impact statement taking into consideration fiscal impact information submitted by the office of state planning and budgeting, the department of local affairs or any proponent or interested person and require that this information be included in the actual ballot question.

The data included in the proposed required table is only estimates and those estimates will be compiled by PBIs (Politicians, Bureaucrats and Interested Parties) who have vested interests in increasing your taxes or keeping your hard-earned money already collected that should be refunded back to you.

### Senate Bill 22- 222 – Amount Of Tax Owed Table For Initiatives

*Shall there be a change to the Colorado Revised Statutes requiring that the ballot title and fiscal summary for any ballot initiative that increases or decreases state income tax rates include a table showing the average tax change for tax filers in different income categories?*

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## Proposition 121

# Vote YES

Coloradans are hurting because of government induced inflation, aggregate high taxes, and fees, i.e., federal taxes and fees, state taxes and fees, property taxes, sales taxes, school taxes, library taxes, fire district taxes, road district taxes, and the list goes on. Providing some relief for hard-working everyday Coloradans through lowering their income tax rate makes sense.

Senate Bill 22- 222 - Amount Of Tax Owed Table For Initiatives

*Shall there be a change to the Colorado Revised Statutes reducing the state income tax rate from 4.55% to 4.40%?*

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# Proposition 122

## Vote NO

Proposition 122 is complicated and convoluted. The actual text of the measure is 18 pages long. It sets up a new bureaucratic program, unaccountable to the people of Colorado or the Colorado legislature, within the Department of Regulatory Affairs

### Positives:

Includes "informed consent" on page five and assures efforts to protect participant's data on page six.

### Negatives:

I am deeply concerned that the measure incentivizes "the provision of natural medicine services at a reduced cost to low income individuals." Who pays for this? Additionally the "Regulated natural medicine access program" will "develop and promote accurate public education campaigns related to the use of natural medicine." This means there will be public service announcements touting these items.

The total deal breakers are on page 11. First it reeks of cronyism. The Department of Regulatory Agencies may seek, accept, and expend any gifts, grants, donations, loan of funds, property, or any other revenue or aid in any form from the state, any state agency, any other public source, any private source, or any combination thereof. Additionally the proposition takes away local control. It states "a locality may not ban or completely prohibit the establishment of operation of healing centers licenses pursuant to this Article 170 within its boundaries."

### Initiative #58 – Access to Natural Medicine

*Shall there be a change to the Colorado Revised Statutes concerning legal regulated access to natural medicine for persons 21 years of age or older, and, in connection therewith, defining natural medicine as certain plants or fungi that affect a person's mental health and are controlled substances under state law; establishing a natural medicine regulated access program for supervised care, and requiring the department of regulatory agencies to implement the program and comprehensively regulate natural medicine to protect public health and safety; creating an advisory board to advise the department as to the implementation of the program; granting a local government limited authority to regulate the time, place, and manner of providing natural medicine services; allowing limited personal possession, use, and uncompensated sharing of natural medicine; providing specified protections under state law, including criminal and civil immunity, for authorized providers and users of natural medicine; and, in limited circumstances, allowing the retroactive removal and reduction of criminal penalties related to the possession, use, and sale of natural medicine?*

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# Proposition 123

## Vote NO

Home ownership in America has created places for people to do life and create wealth. "Affordable" (subsidized) housing creates wealth for "subsidized" apartment owners and pushes people into high density housing. If a person prefers to live in high density housing, he/she should have the freedom to do so. What we see now is government public policy that is forcing/incentivizing people into predetermined housing which pads the pockets of the globalist elites.

Prop 123 creates a new administrative bureaucracy. The Administrator may be selected by the Office of Economic Development without a transparent competitive procurement process; however, the selection will be announced in a public meeting with at least 72 hours notice. Cronyism! Subsidized housing picks winners (subsidized) and losers (those that do not want to depend on government). This proposition moves dollars from the general fund and dedicates it to an unelected, unaccountable bureaucracy while detaboring all excess revenue.

Prop 123 requires local governments that seek additional affordable housing funding to expedite development approvals for affordable housing projects over private projects. And it requires local governments to commit to increasing the number of affordable housing units by 3% annually. Ultimately this will decimate private property rights and home ownership.

Prop 123 codifies cronyism through its Land Banking Program, "equity" programs, and empowering bureaucrats to seek and accept gifts, grants or donations from any public or private sources, including governmental entities, that the division and the office are hereby authorized to seek and accept.

## Initiative #108 – Dedicated State Income Tax Revenue for Affordable Housing Programs

*Shall there be a change to the Colorado Revised Statutes concerning statewide funding for additional affordable housing, and, in connection therewith, dedicating state revenues collected from an existing tax of one-tenth of one percent on federal taxable income of every individual, estate, trust, and corporation, as defined in law, for affordable housing and exempting the dedicated revenues from the constitutional limitation on state fiscal year spending; allocating 60% of the dedicated revenues to affordable housing financing programs that will reduce rents, purchase land for affordable housing development, and build assets for renters; allocating 40% of the dedicated revenues to programs that support affordable home ownership, serve persons experiencing homelessness, and support local planning capacity; requiring local governments that seek additional affordable housing funding to expedite development approvals for affordable housing projects and commit to increasing the number of affordable housing units by 3% annually; and specifying that the dedicated revenues shall not supplant existing appropriations for affordable housing programs?*

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## Proposition 124

# Vote NO

Free and fair competition is the bedrock of a successful society. Because of the regulatory environment in the alcohol industry, rules and regulations are used to benefit big corporations and big businesses which is unfair to small independent businesses. This proposition opens the door for consolidation in the industry. Ultimately this consolidation will hurt the consumer through reduced choice and higher prices.

## Initiative #96 – Concerning Liquor Licenses

*Shall there be a change to the Colorado Revised Statutes concerning increasing the number of retail liquor store licenses in which a person may hold an interest, and, in connection therewith, phasing in the increase by allowing up to 8 licenses by December 31, 2026, up to 13 licenses by December 31, 2031, up to 20 licenses by December 31, 2036, and an unlimited number of licenses on or after January 1, 2037?*

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## Proposition 125

# Vote NO

This proposition further tilts the alcohol industry in favor of consolidation by big corporations and big businesses which will ultimately hurt the consumer through reduced choice and higher prices.

### Initiative #121 – Sales of Alcohol Beverages

*Shall there be a change to the Colorado Revised Statutes concerning authorization for the third-party delivery of alcohol beverages, and, in connection therewith, allowing retail establishments licensed to sell alcohol beverages for on-site or off-site consumption to deliver all types of alcohol beverages to a person twenty-one years of age or older through a third-party delivery service that obtains a delivery service permit; prohibiting the delivery of alcohol beverages to a person who is under 21 years of age, is intoxicated, or fails to provide proof of identification; removing the limit on the percentage of gross sales revenues a licensee may receive from alcohol beverage deliveries; and allowing a technology services company, without obtaining a third-party delivery service permit, to provide software or a digital network application that connects consumers and licensed retailers for the delivery of alcohol beverages?*

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## Proposition 126

# Vote NO

This proposition appears to move towards an increase in freedom, which I like; however, this proposition does not have proper guard rails regarding deliveries to minors. Delivery drivers would be responsible for liquor ID enforcement. This proposition is not well written. The proponents need to go back to the drawing board on this one.

## Initiative #122 – Third-Party Delivery of Alcohol Beverages

*Shall there be a change to the Colorado Revised Statutes concerning authorization for the third-party delivery of alcohol beverages, and, in connection therewith, allowing retail establishments licensed to sell alcohol beverages for on-site or off-site consumption to deliver all types of alcohol beverages to a person twenty-one years of age or older through a third-party delivery service that obtains a delivery service permit; prohibiting the delivery of alcohol beverages to a person who is under 21 years of age, is intoxicated, or fails to provide proof of identification; removing the limit on the percentage of gross sales revenues a licensee may receive from alcohol beverage deliveries; and allowing a technology services company, without obtaining a third-party delivery service permit, to provide software or a digital network application that connects consumers and licensed retailers for the delivery of alcohol beverages?*

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# County Issues

I selected the two Douglas County questions plus the City and County of Denver question regarding sidewalks to analyze. It is beyond my bandwidth to research and write about all issues throughout Colorado. If I've not analyzed your particular ballot question, my hope is that my reasoning will be helpful for you as you complete your ballot because there are many similar ballot questions throughout the state.

# Douglas County 1A

## Vote NO

Government induced inflation is hurting everyone. Sales and use taxes are regressive taxes which means they hurt those on the lowest rungs of the economic ladder the most. Sales and use taxes are additional taxes on basic items that people need such as toilet paper and diapers.

In the past, open space taxes have been difficult to argue against; however, we now realize that when government acquires land with our tax dollars to purchase open space, there will be less land for homes and food production in the future which causes housing to be less affordable, increases food prices, and could ultimately cause some food shortages. Also, when this land is purchased by government, it is taken off the tax rolls which means that all of us will be asked to pay higher taxes to make up for this shortfall. So it becomes a double tax.

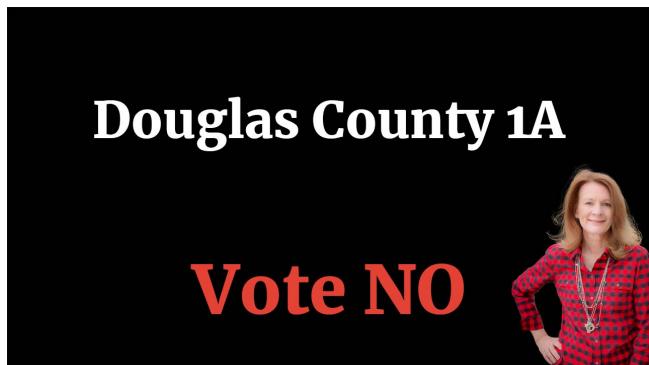
### Douglas County Ballot Question 1A: Extension of the Douglas County Open Space Sales and Use Tax

*Without increasing taxes, shall the existing Douglas County Sales and Use Tax of 1.7 tenths of a percent (.17%) for parks, trails, historic resources and open space, be extended and continue to be used to:*

- Protect, maintain, and add parks, trails, historic resources, and open spaces, wildlife habitats, and buffers between communities;
  - Conserve lands along streams and lakes that also help protect water quality;
  - Conserve working farms and ranches;
  - Preserve scenic views and landmarks;
  - Create and maintain recreational amenities;
  - Maintain and conserve historic preservation sites;
- by extension from its current expiration of January 1, 2024 through January 1, 2039 and provide for a modified shareback for parks, trails, and open space sales & use tax revenue to municipalities that are located wholly within Douglas County, which may be approved as multiple fiscal year financial obligations along with other administrative changes to the tax structure and implementation as set forth in county resolution nos. r-22-xxx" and r-994-099.*

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# Douglas County 1B

## Vote NO

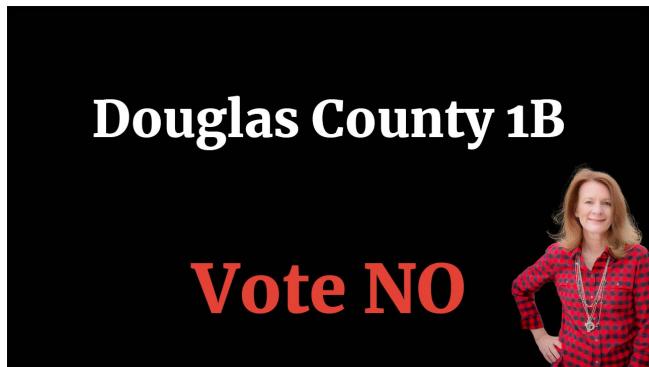
It is not a good idea for counties and municipalities, which regulate and grant licenses for operation for high speed internet, cable television services and/or telecommunication services, to have the power to compete with non-government service providers. The “Public-Private Partnership” proposal in this ballot question opens the door for “Public-Private” cronyism because it authorizes government to pick the provider for these services. Ultimately, as government becomes involved in an industry, the price goes up, the quality goes down and the supply becomes limited. Additionally, this could result in government control of the internet.

### Douglas County Ballot Question 1A: Extension of the Douglas County Open Space Sales and Use Tax

*Without increasing taxes, and pursuant to Title 29, Article 27, Part 1 of the Colorado Revised Statutes, shall Douglas County be authorized to re-establish the authority to participate in, facilitate, or partner with third parties offering advanced services (also known as high speed internet access capability), cable television service and/or telecommunications service, including any new and improved bandwidth services, utilizing the existing County owned fiber optic network and/or developing additional infrastructure, either directly or indirectly to residential, commercial, nonprofit, government or other subscribers within the boundaries of Douglas County, Colorado?*

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# Denver Ordinance 307

## Vote NO

Sidewalks are used by the public and should be constructed and maintained by the City and County of Denver. The City Council should prioritize spending to construct and maintain the sidewalks throughout Denver since sidewalks are used by the public. Residents of Denver are already strapped through high taxes and high inflation. This tax makes housing less affordable. Question? If residents must pay a tax for each foot of sidewalk in front of their homes, can the residents charge a toll for those using the sidewalk?

### City and County of Denver Sidewalk Tax

*Shall the voters of the City and County of Denver adopt an ordinance to create a sidewalk master plan and to implement a sustainable program for the construction, reconstruction, and ongoing repairs of sidewalks citywide; to fund the program by charging a fee to property owners; to create a sidewalk enterprise within the definition of Section 20, Article X, of the Colorado Constitution, with the authority to issue revenue bonds payable solely from the fees collected under this program and without further voter approval; and to remove the adjacent property owner's current responsibility for sidewalk repair and reconstruction and place such responsibility on the City?*

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# Municipal Issues

I wish that my team and I had the band-width to do a deep dive on every ballot question, but we do not. Therefore I selected two municipal questions because of their importance regarding elections and the internet. I hope my reasoning is helpful as you may have similar questions on your ballot.

# Fort Collins Ranked Choice Voting

## Vote NO

This ordinance is ambiguous and lacks details. Voters have no idea how this Ranked Choice Voting System would work because it is not detailed in the ordinance. This amendment gives the power to the City Council to make the determination of the details of the Ranked Choice Voting System. Voters should be given the respect and the courtesy to know exactly what they are voting on. Typically Ranked Choice Voting relies on complicated algorithms used by tabulating machines to declare the winner. This makes it very difficult to have transparent elections. Ultimately candidates with marginal support could be declared the winner of an election. Ranked Choice Voting is the darling of those who seek to marginalize our democratic Constitutional Republic.

### City-Initiated Charter Amendment No. 3 (Implementation of Ranked Voting Method)

*Shall Article VIII of the Charter of the City of Fort Collins, regarding the conduct of City elections, be amended to:*

- 1:) Require that for all regular city elections after January 1, 2025, the offices of Mayor and of each District Councilmember shall be elected using a “ranked voting method,” pursuant to the applicable Colorado statutes or, for City-conducted elections, procedures and deadlines adopted by the City Council by ordinance;*
- 2:) Clarify the applicable law for coordinated elections; and*
- 3:) make minor conforming edits; and shall Article IX of the Charter, regarding recall, be amended to incorporate the ranked voting method set out in Article VIII?*

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## Lone Tree 2B

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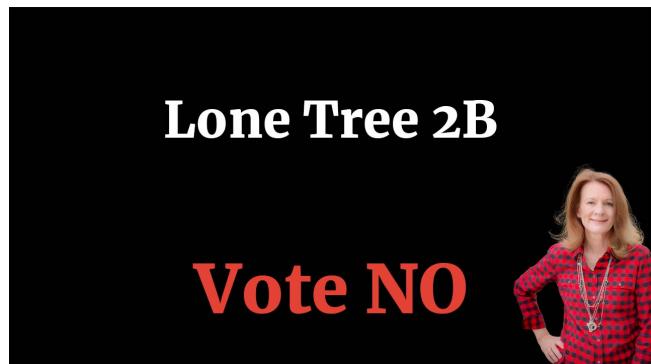
It is not a good idea for counties and municipalities, which regulate and grant licenses for operation for high speed internet, cable television services and/or telecommunication services, to have the power to compete with non-government service providers. The Public-Private Partnerships offering these services opens the door for cronyism because it authorizes government to pick the provider for these services. Ultimately, as government becomes involved in an industry, the price goes up, the quality goes down and the supply becomes limited. Additionally, this could result in government control of the internet.

## Lone Tree Internet, Cable Television and/or Telecommunications

*Without increasing taxes, and pursuant to Title 29, Article 27, Part 1 of the Colorado Revised Statutes, shall the City of Lone Tree be authorized to re-establish the authority to participate in, facilitate, or partner with third parties offering advanced services (also known as high-speed internet access capability), cable television service and/or telecommunications service including any new and improved bandwidth services, utilizing the existing City owned fiber optic network and/or developing additional infrastructure, either directly or indirectly to residential, commercial, nonprofit, government or other subscribers within the boundaries of Lone Tree, Colorado?*

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# School District Issues

I chose to analyze the Douglas County School District ballot questions because I live in Douglas County and am familiar with the issues. I recommend a “NO” vote on both of these questions. There are many school district questions throughout the state. A good resource to find them is at **Colorado Election Guide 2022 ([ballot2022.com](https://ballot2022.com))**. Property tax re-assessments lag the market. Your next reassessment will use sales data from the hot market before the rapid rise in interest rates changed the market. Therefore, you will probably see a dramatic increase in your property taxes even without passing new school district taxes. In Douglas County property owners may see a 40% to 50% increase in their property taxes even without passing this MLO and new debt. Apartment renters do not get a pass on new property taxes. Landlords pass those higher taxes onto renters via higher rents. You might contact your county assessor’s office and ask how much of a property tax increase you can expect on your next property tax bill. It will help you as you consider new property tax questions on the ballot.

# Douglas County School District 5A

## Vote NO

There is an enormous property tax in store for Douglas County property owners in 2024 even without this mill levy override from the School District. Douglas County real estate is expected to be reappraised 40% to 50% upward in 2023. This tax increase would be a fixed \$60 million every year with no sunset.

This proposal is a bit disingenuous. If the DCSD increased the average teacher salary by 10% for the 4,400 licensed teachers in the DCSD, it results in a \$25.5 million expenditure, not the \$60 million requested in this MLO proposal.

Additionally, this MLO does not include some charter schools that operate in Douglas County teaching Douglas County kids, from receiving a portion of this MLO.

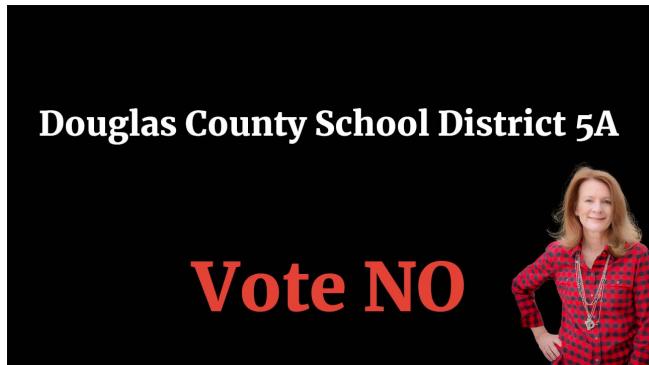
This is not the time to approve such a large MLO. Higher property taxes make it difficult for all homeowners. Higher taxes also affect renters as rents must increase to pay for the landlord's higher property taxes. These higher taxes make home ownership and housing less affordable.

## Douglas County School District 5A: Mill Levy Override

*Shall Douglas County school district taxes be increased \$60 million annually commencing in collection year 2023 and in each year thereafter for general fund purposes in order to: retain and attract quality teachers and staff by increasing for the 2022/2023 school year and thereafter maintaining district salaries and benefits to be more competitive with neighboring school districts; and shall such tax increase be an additional property tax mill levy in excess of the levy authorized for the district's general fund, pursuant to and in accordance with section 22-54-108, c.r.s.; and shall the district collect property tax revenue previously approved by the voters notwithstanding any mill levy limitation; and shall the district be subject to an annual independent audit published on the district's website and expenditures will be subject to review by a board appointed citizen's oversight committee?*

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# Douglas County School District 5B

## Vote NO

Taxpayers are facing a massive property tax increase in 2024 as Douglas County real estate is expected to be reappraised 40% to 50% higher. This bond proposal wants voters to approve \$450 million in new debt with a total repayment including interest of \$775 million, all of which will be paid by property taxes. This would double the DCSD's debt load.

The School District has a long history of overestimating its future growth. In the last ten years, the population of Douglas County has increased 26% but the School District student enrollment has remained flat for those same ten years.

In 2021, student enrollment declined by 4,326 students, some of which were pandemic-related. The School District is also alienating its customers-the parents.

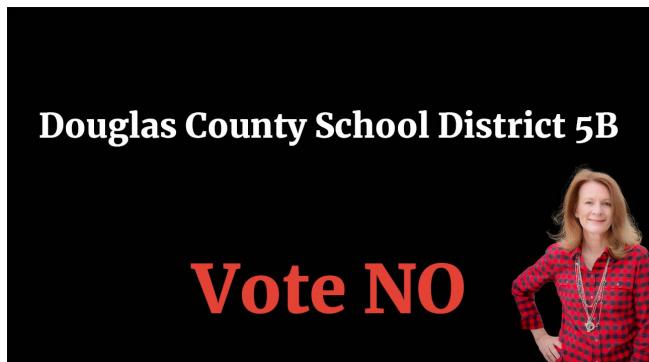
Alienated parents are a deeper challenge for the School District. While DCSD has many amazing teachers, parents are concerned about "woke" ideology indoctrination in the curriculum. Using technology and entrepreneurship, parents now have alternatives to government run public schools which is resulting in slow or flat growth in student enrollment.

## Douglas County School District Bond 5B: New Debt

*Shall Douglas County School District debt be increased \$450 million with a repayment cost of \$775.5 million, and shall district taxes be increased \$49.7 million annually (but with no expected increase in the district's current bond fund mill levy rate based on the district's current assessed value and tax collection rate), to pay such debt, all for the purpose of: updating and performing critical capital improvements and maintenance at existing educational facilities; implementing safety and security upgrades; constructing and equipping three new neighborhood schools and additions to two existing neighborhood schools to accommodate growth and reduce overcrowding; implementing other capital improvements as described in the district's bond priority plan; and for acquiring, constructing or improving any capital assets that the district is authorized by law to own; and shall the mill levy be imposed in any year at a mill levy sufficient in each year to pay the principal of and interest on such debt or any refunding debt (or to create a reserve for such payment) provided that any revenue produced by such levy shall not exceed \$49.7 million annually; such debt to be evidenced by the issuance of general obligation bonds to be sold in one series or more, for a price above or below the principal amount of such series, on terms and conditions and with such maturities as permitted by law, including provisions for redemption of the bonds prior to maturity with or without payment of the premium of not to exceed one percent; and shall the district be subject to an annual independent audit published on the district's website and expenditures will be subject to review by a board appointed citizen's oversight committee?*

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# Your Vote Matters

Coloradans are not taxed too little, Coloradans are taxed too much. Government in Colorado does not have too little power, it has too much. Big Business and Interested Parties have spent and will spend millions of dollars to get you to vote for new bureaucracies and expansion of their self interests. October 5, 2022, The Gazette reported that at least \$18.1 million has been raised regarding two of the alcohol ballot questions. One of the co-owners of a company that is spending big money on the expansion of liquor licenses is a sitting Congressman from Maryland. This money is being raised and spent, not because PBI's (Politicians, Bureaucrats and Interested Parties) are interested in you, your choices and your freedom but because they are asking you to vote for things that benefit them. Your vote matters. You must use it wisely.

As "We the People"; Centrist Democrats, Libertarians, Unaffiliateds, Republicans and Conservatives are seeing and experiencing the consequences of government at all levels; municipal, county and state, it is imperative to speak at the ballot box that we want our lives, wallets and our state back. I hope this guide helps.

I have spent hours researching these ballot questions and compiling my recommendations. As an independent voice and an entrepreneur, I purchase the air-time for my radio show which gives me full control of guest and subject selection. If this Voter's Guide is helpful and you find value in it, I would greatly appreciate that you consider a contribution to the work that me and my team do everyday for you so that you and your loved ones can thrive and flourish.

## Your Vote **MATTERS!**



# About Kim

Kim Monson is a warrior for “We the People.” She is the host of two radio shows. The *Kim Monson Show* searches for Truth and clarity by looking at issues through the lens of “Freedom vs Force, Force vs Freedom.” *The Kim Monson Show* broadcasts M-F, 6-8am, 1-2pm and 10-11pm on all KLZ 560 AM platforms, 100.7 FM, the KLZ website and the KLZ app.

Kim also hosts *America’s Veteran’s Stories* which broadcasts on all KLZ platforms Sundays, 3-4pm, 10-11pm and Saturdays 10-11pm. The inspiration for this show began in 2016 when Kim joined a group that accompanied four WWII D-Day Veterans to Normandy for the 72nd anniversary of the D-Day landings. She has interviewed nearly WWII Veterans in addition to Veterans from our other wars and conflicts.

## Support Kim's Work

There are few truly independent voices in the media. Most media voices are influenced by management, sponsors and interested parties. I am a true entrepreneur. I want the freedom to choose guests and talk about issues without manipulation, coercion or influence. That is why I purchase my airtime and have invested time, money and energy to help you understand the issues we are facing. That is also why your contribution is not tax deductible. Organizations with a 501C-3 tax status are limited on what they can and cannot say.

My team and I have invested at least 200 hours of research, writing, proofing, formatting, coordinating, and publishing this guide. If it has been helpful, **we would greatly appreciate you considering a contribution to help us grow our voice and influence.**

If you are a business that likes what we do, I’d love to sit down and talk with you about a possible partnership/sponsorship. If you are connected to an organization that aligns with the work we are doing, I’d love to talk with you about a potential partnership. Please email me at **[kim@kimmonson.com](mailto:kim@kimmonson.com)** or send me a message through my website.



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