



Ballots will be mailed to registered voters Tuesday, October 11th and must be returned to the Larimer County Clerk's Office by 7 PM on Election Day, Tuesday November 1st.

LBAR's Government Affairs Committee spent hours interviewing candidates and considering ballot issues and then made recommendations to the Board of Directors based on REALTOR® issues. As members of the Loveland-Berthoud Association of REALTORS®, we invite you to vote as a member of the REALTOR® Party and support the following candidates and issues.

LOVELAND CITY COUNCIL

Ward I - Rob Molloy Mr. Molloy has demonstrated his commitment to the City by serving on the Planning & Zoning Commission and is focused on REALTOR® issues, namely economic development and supporting the existing and future business community.

Ward II - Carol Johnson (incumbent) Ms. Johnson supports REALTOR® issues such as property rights and economic development. She has championed a variety of projects that promote economic vitality and job creation both downtown and across the City.

Ward III - Michelle Jacobs As a former Government Affairs Director for FCBP, Ms. Jacobs has proven her commitment to REALTOR® issues and demonstrated the breadth of her knowledge concerning City regulations and key projects.

Ward IV - Dave Clark Mr. Clark has an excellent track record regarding property rights and economic development. He deserves to regain his seat on City Council.

Referred Issue 2A - TABOR Override -- Vote YES Like all government entities in Colorado, the City is required to comply with the Taxpayer Bill of Rights (TABOR). TABOR mandates that any revenues in excess of the limitations imposed by TABOR be refunded to the taxpayers.

The City has periodically asked voters to "de-Bruce," that is, to be allowed to retain excess revenues and allocate those revenues to police, fire, street construction and maintenance and parks construction and maintenance. The voters have consistently approved these requests. The current regulation expires December 31, 2012.

The reason LBAR's leadership has adopted this position is because the dedication of these revenues to public safety, streets and parks will enhance the quality of life for Loveland residents, businesses and visitors. This measure does not constitute a tax increase, so taxpayers will not feel any additional burden upon its passage. It will sunset (expire) in 2024.

THOMPSON SCHOOL BOARD

Vote for the following two candidates in the contested races:

District A Lola Johnson (incumbent) Ms. Johnson has served well with great dedication and deserves another term as the representative for District A.

District G Bob Kerrigan Mr. Kerrigan lacks experience but his new ideas and outsider's perspective could be of assistance as the School Board moves forward, especially if the mill levy override is not passed by the voters.

Referred Issue 1A – Larimer County Jail – Vote YES This question asks voters replace two existing sales taxes of .2 percent each which are due to expire soon with a smaller tax of .375 sales tax, which is allocated to operational costs for the Larimer County Jail. The .375 tax, if approved, will sunset in 15 years.

Public Safety is a REALTOR® issue. It constitutes the largest allocation of the County's General Fund with \$61.3 million current allocated to this service area. The County has done an excellent job implementing efficiency measures at the jail, and the tax extension will ensure County residents remain safe and crime rates low.