

**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SOUTH ADAMS COUNTY WATER AND
SANITATION DISTRICT BALLOT MEASURE FOR THE 2024 NOVEMBER
ELECTION**

NO. 2024-122

WHEREAS, the vision of the City of Commerce City is to create a quality community for a lifetime, which requires the proper infrastructure to support the community's needs;

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Commerce City ("City Council") recognizes that with ever-increasing costs of constructing and maintaining infrastructure to deliver high quality water and wastewater services, it is in South Adams County Water and Sanitation District's (the "District") best interest to have as many funding sources and options as possible;

WHEREAS, Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution, also known as "TABOR," and Sections 29-1-301 and 29-1-1702 of the Colorado Revised Statutes limit a district's spending and the amount of revenue it can keep from any source, unless otherwise authorized by the district's eligible electors;

WHEREAS, such limits prevent the District from applying for and receiving State of Colorado grant funds available to public water systems to improve water quality, manage emerging contaminants such as per- and polyfluoralkyl substances ("PFAS"), invest in infrastructure, increase sustainability of District water supplies and operations, and save customers money;

WHEREAS, the District has put a question before its voters at the November 5, 2024 election ("Ballot Question") asking its voters to remove such limits;

WHEREAS, the Ballot Question does not increase the District's maximum property tax rate; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that access to additional revenues and approval of the Ballot Question is in the best interest of the Commerce City residents, the District's customers, and taxpayers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE CITY, COLORADO, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Findings. The recitals to this resolution are incorporated as findings of the City Council. This resolution is found to be necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, and welfare and in the public interest.

SECTION 2. The City Council hereby declares its support for the District's Ballot Question to remove certain revenue limitations at the November 5, 2024 election.

SECTION 3. The City Council encourages all eligible voters of the District to make sure that their voter registration is current, that they vote, and that they encourage others to vote.

SECTION 4. The City Council appeals to all voters of the District to devote some of their personal time in an effort to pass these critically-important ballot issues.

RESOLVED AND PASSED THIS 7TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2024.

CITY OF COMMERCE CITY, COLORADO

Steve J. Douglas, Mayor

ATTEST

Dylan A. Gibson, City Clerk