Notice of Measure Election City

24-424

Notice Date of Notice Name of City or Cities **Date of Election** 8/8/2017 City of Silverton November 7, 2017

Final Ballot Title The following is the final ballot title of the measure to be submitted to the city's voters. The ballot title notice has been published and the ballot title challenge process has been completed.

Caption 10 words which reasonably identifies the subject of the measure.

Five-year Operating Levy for Swimming Pool Operations and Maintenance

Question 20 words which plainly phrases the chief purpose of the measure.

Shall Silverton impose a tax of \$275,000 annually for five years for swimming pool operations and maintenance beginning in 2018-2019? This measure renews current local option taxes.

Summary 175 words which concisely and impartially summarizes the measure and its major effect.

The City maintains and operates a year-round swimming pool that requires ongoing maintenance for continued operation. Current tax revenues are not adequate to fund the required maintenance and operating costs. The operating and maintenance levy would collect taxes over five years totaling an estimated \$1,375,000. The amount would be levied annually in equal amounts of \$275,000. The taxes would be used to fund necessary major maintenance of the pool and to fund continued year-round operation.

Explanatory	Statement 500 words that impartially explains the measure and its effect.

If the county is producing a voters' pamphlet an explanatory statement must be drafted and attached to this form for:

- → any measure referred by the city governing body; or
- ightarrow any initiative or referendum, if required by local ordinance.
- **Explanatory Statement Attached?**

Yes

No

Authorized City Official Not required to be notarized. Name

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By signing this document:

- → I hereby state that I am authorized by the city to submit this Notice of Measure Election; and
- → I certify that notice of receipt of ballot title has been published and the ballot title challenge process for this measure completed.

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EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The City of Silverton maintains and operates a year-round swimming pool that requires ongoing maintenance for continued operation. Current tax revenues are not adequate to fund the required maintenance and operating costs. The operating and maintenance levy would collect taxes over five years totaling \$1,375,000, which would be imposed annually in equal amounts of \$275,000. The taxes would be used to fund necessary maintenance of the pool and fund continued operation.

In 2003 the voters of Silverton authorized a 10 year bond for \$1.2 million to complete improvements to the pool, which was originally constructed in 1939. That bond resulted in a new bathhouse, improvements to the pool itself, and the installation of a zero-depth entry on one end. In 2013 the voters of Silverton authorized a five year levy for \$1,375,000 for the operation and maintenance of the pool which was a levy of \$0.45 per \$1,000 of assessed value. That 2013 measure expires June 30, 2018.

This levy would allow for the continued operation and maintenance of the Silverton pool, currently under contract with the Silver Falls Family YMCA. Among other projects, the levy would fund a replacement of the removable cover and additional work recommended by the 2017 Pool Facility Assessment.

The levy would maintain the year-round use of the Silverton Pool for the following (but not limited to):

- Recreation for all Silverton residents and others in the area
- Training facility for the Silverton High School Swim Team
- Training and competition facility for the year-round community swim program
- Swimming Lessons for area youth
- Exercise classes for all ages
- Lap swim use for all ages
- Handicap Access
- Physical Rehabilitation

How would this operating levy affect property taxes if passed?

The levy would result in an estimated annual collection of \$0.3659 per \$1,000 of assessed value, or approximately \$73.18 a year for a home with an assessed value of \$200,000, the same as the current levy. The estimated tax cost for this measure is an ESTIMATE ONLY based on the best information available from the county assessor at the time of estimate and may reflect the impact of early payment discounts, compression, and the collection rate.

What if the Measure fails?

If the measure fails, the City will be unable to continue year-round operations of the pool. At this time, there are no identified alternatives to fund operation of the pool beyond June of 2018.