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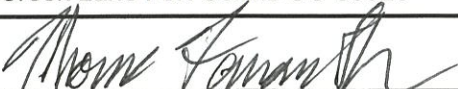
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## NOTICE OF BALLOT TITLE AND/OR SUBMISSION CLAUSE PROTEST

**Protestor Information\*:** Name, address, telephone number(s), and email address of the protestor (who must be a registered elector)

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<b>Protestor's Signature:</b> 	<b>Date of Proposed City Council Action:</b> September 2, 2025

## GROUND(S) FOR PROTEST

Protest of **Proposed Ballot Title and/or Submission Clause** (as permitted under Municipal Code Section 7-156).

Title of Ordinance or Resolution being protested:

Ordinance #141, 2025 Expressing Support for the Recommendations of the Civic Assembly And Adopting a Conceptual Framework for the use and Management of the Hughes Stadium Site.

The Grounds of the Protest (with particularity):

Protest is centered on Council failing to apply clear and consistent terminology in documenting their application of Civic Assembly recommendations, resulting in faulty and misleading statements and treatment of electors and of recommendations of the Civic Assembly.

(Attach additional sheets as necessary)

A protest of proposed ballot title and/or submission clause, in accordance with Section 7-156, must be filed with the City Clerk no later than noon on the Monday immediately preceding the date upon which the City Council will consider the ordinance on First reading, or resolution, setting the ballot title and submission clause.

**\*If more than one protestor, please provide the name, address, telephone number(s), email address, and signature of each protestor on the back of this form or on additional sheets.**

Protest of Ordinance #141, 2025 Expressing Support for the Recommendations of the Civic Assembly And Adopting a Conceptual Framework for the Use and Management of the Hughes Stadium Site.

Tom Farnsworth

2707 Dixon Creek Lane

Fort Collins CO 80526

9/1/25

To: City Clerk

City of Fort Collins

300 La Porte Ave

Fort Collins CO 80521

RE: Ballot Protest – Ordinance #141, 2025 Expressing Support for the Recommendations of the Civic Assembly and Adopting a Conceptual Framework for the use and Management of the Hughes Stadium Site.

I Thomas Farnsworth, a registered elector of the City of Fort Collins, hereby file this written protest pursuant to Colorado Law and the Fort Collins City Charter.

Identification of the Ballot Measure/Petition: Ordinance #141, 2025 Expressing Support for the Recommendations of the Civic Assembly and Adopting a Conceptual Framework for the use and Management of the Hughes Stadium Site.

Filing Date - 9/1/2025

Grounds for protest. I respectfully protest the sufficiency of this ballot issue on the following grounds.

1. June 11, 2024 – Fort Collins City Council Work Meeting. Council went to great lengths to clearly define recreation, wildlife rescue and restoration, natural areas, parks - terms on the 2021 Hughes ballot – explained to me by Councilmember Potyandy as a fair way to clearly understand what the writers of the ballot really intended as the purpose for the Hughes property. Exact terminology was essential in this dissecting of that ballot terminology - explained to me as a fair process for citizens, in order to determine the precise intent and provisions of the ballot words.



2. July 8, 2025 Fort Collins City Council Working Meeting. In discussion of how to deal with highly rated (supermajority) recommendations from the Civic Assembly, Councilmember Ohlson introduced a discussion on a supermajority rated area – ‘Wildlife Rescue and Rehabilitation’. He introduced the term “Environmental Education Partnership, saying that these two terms were closely associated and that ‘Environmental Education and Partnership’ could be conveniently included (optionally) on the Supermajority list, along with Wildlife Rescue and Rehabilitation, and included in the ballot to be voted on this November.
3. July 8, 2025 Fort Collins City Council Working Meeting. In a continued discussion about Supermajority Items for the ballot, Mayor Pro Tem Francis informed attendees that, while the activity called ‘Bike Park’ was rated less than 50% by the Civic Assembly, since it had been mentioned along with other activities in discussions of the multiuse ‘recreation” alternative in discussion that “Bike Park” should be included on the list of Ballot items for November, i.e. should be elevated from under 50% approval to supermajority status (from ‘may’ to a more certain status, as she framed it).
4. In discussions w/ Ms Potyandy subsequent to that 2024 work session, I tried to explain the intent of the petition for the purchase of the Hughes property – that it be preserved as a unique, one-of-a-kind property, as part of a range of Natural Areas. I was told repeatedly (as were many others) that writers should clearly define the intent of their initiative, and if, for example, the group really wanted a Natural area, that was what the ballot should have clearly stated. At this point it only made sense for Council to explore in their work sessions what was allowed by those precise ballot words.

Relief requested: Considering the disparate and inconsistent terminology employed by some Council Members (reflected above) and its inclusion on the 2025 ballot and in related public discussions, the clear and concise recommendations of the Citizen Assembly (and Council’s own considerations) are being skirted. Any ballot developed by City Council must exhibit the same precision as they applied to the last Hughes election results - City Council should be compelled to include only the exact terminology, categories and activities employed by the Civic Assembly Supermajority recommendations. Claims that other items were associated with or otherwise considered by Council members as linked to Supermajority items should be identified and discarded. Council suggestions and claims to those associations

and their inclusion on a ballot for citizen voting cannot override the precise recommendations of the Civic Assembly as originally endorsed by Council. These specific findings and recommendations clearly announce to the electorate in the title of this Ordinance that supermajority recommendations cannot be compromised, especially by their elected representatives. Any ballot statement or other public information that does otherwise must be publicly invalidated, removed, and not certified for the election. Thank You.

I am a Fort Collins elector adding my name as co-signer to the protests filed by Fort Collins electors on or before the filing deadline on September 1, 2025 that address Resolution 2025-082 specifically the Proposed Ballot Title and Submission Clause. This is Item 21 on the September 2, 2025 City Council meeting agenda.

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