



# Town of Johnstown

## TOWN COUNCIL AGENDA COMMUNICATIONS

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<b>AGENDA DATE:</b>	September 18, 2023
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	Supporting Loveland Fire Rescue Authority and Specifically Loveland Rural Fire Protection District's Ballot Issue on the November 7, 2023 Coordinated Ballot
<b>ACTION PROPOSED:</b>	Consider Resolution 2023-44 Supporting the Loveland Rural Fire Protection District's Ballot Issue on November 7, 2023
<b>ATTACHMENTS:</b>	1. Resolution 2023-44
<b>PRESENTED BY:</b>	Matt LeCerf, Town Manager

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### AGENDA ITEM DESCRIPTION:

On November 7, 2023, the Loveland Rural Fire Protection District will propose a ballot measure to the registered voters of the Loveland Rural Fire Protection District Service Area. Their request is to increase the property tax mill levy for the fire services they provide to the community. If approved, this would increase the property tax mill levy the District can assess from 8.708 to 11.186. This increase would allow the District to meet and prioritize:

1. Hire, train, and equip additional sworn firefighters to meet minimal staffing levels for the Authority's current and future service demands; and
2. Modernize and equip the existing training facility with the necessary instructional props and facilities to provide realistic training for firefighters and fire officers of all experience levels; and
3. Provide equipment, staffing, training and mitigation resources to address wildfires and to reduce wildfire risk across the Authority's service area; and
4. Maintain financial stability given fluctuations in assessed valuations.

Resolution 2023-44 which is included would express the support of the Johnstown Town Council based on C.R.S. §1-45-117(1)(b)(III)(A) which authorizes Town Council to pass a resolution in support of ballot issues at their discretion.

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**LEGAL ADVICE:**

The Town Attorney reviewed the resolution presented.

**FINANCIAL ADVICE:**

NA

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Staff supports approval of Resolution 2023-44 based on the quality of fire service provided to our community.

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**SUGGESTED MOTIONS:**

**For Approval:** I move to approve Resolution 2023-44 as presented supporting the Loveland Rural Fire Protection District's ballot measure on November 7, 2023.

**For Denial:** I move to deny Resolution 2023-44 as presented.

*Reviewed and Approved for Presentation,*



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Town Manager