

**TOWN OF MEAD, COLORADO
RESOLUTION NO. 74-R-2024**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF MEAD,
COLORADO, SUPPORTING PASSAGE OF BALLOT ISSUE 2Q (THE PUBLIC
SAFETY / MEAD POLICE DEPARTMENT FUNDING BALLOT ISSUE) AT
THE NOVEMBER 5, 2024 REGULAR ELECTION**

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (“Board”) has referred a ballot issue to the registered electors of the Town of Mead (“Town”) asking voters to approve an additional sales and use tax imposed at a rate of one percent (1.0%), beginning January 1, 2025, with the additional revenues to be used for public safety purposes including:

- ADDITIONAL POLICE OFFICERS AND EQUIPMENT
- ADDITIONAL SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS
- POLICE/PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITIES
- INCREASED COMMUNITY POLICING

(the “Public Safety Ballot Issue”); and

WHEREAS, if the Public Safety Ballot Issue (**Ballot Issue 2Q**) is approved by voters the tax revenues collected shall: (1) be retained in a segregated account separate from all other Town financial accounts, and (2) be used only to pay for public safety in the Town of Mead and never be transferred into the Town general fund or used for any purpose other than public safety; and

WHEREAS, the Public Safety Ballot Issue will appear on the November 5, 2024 coordinated general election ballot as **Ballot Issue 2Q**; and

WHEREAS, if the Public Safety Ballot Issue is approved by voters, the new revenue generated by the additional one percent (1%) sales and use tax will be retained **in a segregated account separate from all other Town financial accounts, and used for no other purpose other than public safety in the Town of Mead**; and

WHEREAS, if the Public Safety Ballot Issue is approved by voters, the Town will have a dedicated revenue stream that will be allocated exclusively to public safety, which will benefit the residents, business owners and taxpayers of the Town by addressing current funding shortfalls, including but not limited to the following:

- Two school resource officers (SROs) divide their time between three Mead schools
- Current staffing levels include only one patrol officer per shift
- No dedicated space for training, evidence storage, interview rooms, or holding cells
- No additional resources to expand community policing initiatives; and

WHEREAS, Mead Police Department officers respond to approximately 11,000 calls annually, patrol over 125 miles of roadways, and serve three schools with over 2,600 students and staff; and

WHEREAS, because the funds raised by the Public Safety Ballot Issue will be retained **in a segregated account separate from all other Town financial accounts, and used for no other purpose**

other than public safety in the Town of Mead, the Board of Trustees enthusiastically supports the passage of the Public Safety Ballot Issue and urges all registered electors of the Town to vote “YES” on the Public Safety Ballot Issue (**Ballot Issue 2Q**) at the November 5, 2024 election,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Town of Mead, Weld County, Colorado, that:

Section 1. The Board of Trustees hereby unanimously supports the Public Safety Ballot Issue and urges all registered electors of the Town to vote “YES” on the Public Safety Ballot Issue (**Ballot Issue 2Q**) at the November 5, 2024 election.

Section 2. The Board also urges individual Trustees and members of the Mead community to learn more about the local issue committee that has been formed to support the Public Safety Ballot Issue. Additional information regarding **Building a STRONGER Mead Community** is available by emailing: buildingastrongermeadcommunity@gmail.com.

Section 3. Effective Date. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

Section 4. Certification. The Town Clerk shall certify to the passage of this resolution and make not less than one copy of the adopted resolution available for inspection by the public during regular business hours.

INTRODUCED, READ, PASSED, AND ADOPTED THIS 30TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2024.

ATTEST:

TOWN OF MEAD:

By: _____
Mary E. Strutt, MMC, Town Clerk

By: _____
Colleen G. Whitlow, Mayor