



2021 ELECTION VOTER GUIDE

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DMAR'S BALLOT INITIATIVES ENDORSEMENTS

CITY & COUNTY OF DENVER

✔ Referred Question 2A (Denver Facilities System Bonds)

\$104 million to pay for city buildings including two new libraries, renovation of a city-owned youth employment center and repairs/improvements at the Denver Botanic Gardens, Denver Museum of Nature & Science, Denver Zoo and the Helen Bonfils Theatre Complex. **YES**

✔ Referred Question 2B (Denver Housing and Sheltering System Bonds)

\$38.6 million for buying and developing shelter facilities for people experiencing homelessness. **YES**

✔ Referred Question 2C (Denver Transportation and Mobility System Bonds)

\$63.3 million to pay for transit projects like roads, bike lanes and sidewalk constructions. **YES**

✔ Referred Question 2D (Denver Parks and Recreation System Bonds)

\$54 million to pay for park and recreation projects and improvements. **YES**

✔ Referred Question 2E (National Western Campus Facilities System Bonds)

\$190 million to build a new arena at the National Western Center campus and to renovate the existing 1909 Stadium Building. **YES**

✘ Referred Question 2F (Safe and Sound Denver)

This would repeal the updated group living proposal which was approved by Denver City Council in February 2021. That update increased the number of unrelated individuals who can live together from two to five. It also increases the number of places where group living facilities can be located. DMAR is opposed to 2F as the group living update represented a significant compromise and sensible policy regulations allowing for greater housing flexibility. Our mission is to house as many individuals as possible and the group living zoning code update represented a step in the right direction to accomplish that goal while also representing the character of Denver's stable neighborhoods. **NO**

✘ Initiated Ordinance 304 (Enough Taxes Already)

This initiative would cap Denver's aggregate sales and use tax rate at 4.5%, down from its current 4.81%. It would also require the city to reduce any other new sales and use taxes if voters approve new ones above that 4.5% cap. DMAR is opposed to 304 because it would force the city to cut a significant amount of its budget (about \$80 million) if this initiative were to pass. Those cuts could take valuable dollars away from housing, parks and open space, public safety, road improvements and homeless services. Additionally, if Denver is forced to make these cuts, they may look at other means to replace this revenue including property tax increases. **NO**

CASTLE ROCK

✘ Referred Measure 2A (New Housing Construction Tax for Police and Fire)

The measure would impose a tax of \$7.00 per square foot on all new single-family and multi-unit residential construction in the Town of Castle Rock. While we support these funds going towards the hiring of more police officers and fire fighters, we believe this significant increase to the cost of housing is the wrong funding approach. Additionally, we believe that increase will only make Castle Rock less affordable for the police and firefighters the Town is looking to hire. For that reason, we encourage our Castle Rock members to vote no on 2A. **NO**

✔ Referred Measure 2D (Use of All Excess Revenues Solely for Police, Fire and Roads)

This measure would allow the Town of Castle Rock to keep excess revenues solely to fund police, fire and roads. We would encourage our Castle Rock members to vote yes on 2D as this measure is a more equitable solution to fund police, fire and road improvements including the Crystal Valley/I-25 interchange. **YES**

If you have questions or would like more information, please contact Peter Wall, DMAR's Director of Government Affairs, at pwall@dmarealtors.com.

