

**TOWN OF LAKE CITY, COLORADO
RESOLUTION NO. 2026-08**

A RESOLUTION SUBMITTING TO THE REGISTERED ELECTORS OF THE TOWN OF LAKE CITY A BALLOT QUESTION TO CONSIDER CHANGING THE TOWN OF LAKE CITY REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION FROM APRIL TO NOVEMBER IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS, BEGINNING IN NOVEMBER OF 2028, AT THE NOVEMBER 2026 GENERAL STATEWIDE ELECTION COORDINATED BY HINSDALE COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Town of Lake City, Colorado, the “Town,” is a municipal corporation duly organized and existing under the Constitution and laws of the State of Colorado; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Lake City Board of Trustees, the “Board,” is vested with the authority to administer the affairs of the Town; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to C.R.S. § 31-1-101(10), the Town’s regular municipal election is held on the first Tuesday of April in even-numbered years; and

WHEREAS, C.R.S. § 31-10-109 provides that, pursuant to C.R.S. § 31-11-111(2), the governing body of a municipality, in consultation with the county clerk and recorder, may submit to a vote of the registered electors of the municipality for placement on the ballot “the question of whether the regular election date of such municipality shall be changed to either the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday of November in each odd-numbered year or the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday of November in each even-numbered year”; and

WHEREAS, C.R.S. § 31-11-111(2), in turn, provides that the legislative body of a municipality may submit any question to a vote of the registered electors of the municipality and shall fix a ballot title for the referred measure; and

WHEREAS, after due consideration, the Board finds that moving the municipal election from April to November in even-numbered years, beginning in November of 2028, and participating in a coordinated election through Hinsdale County would promote efficiency in the election process, create a substantial likelihood that more eligible voters would participate in municipal elections, minimize administrative election-related tasks, and reduce election costs, and thus desires to submit the question of moving the Town’s regular municipal election from April to November in even-numbered years to a vote of the Town’s registered electors at the November 2026 General Statewide Election coordinated by Hinsdale County; and

WHEREAS, consistent with C.R.S. § 31-10-109, if a majority of the registered electors voting on the question support a change in the election date, the Board of Trustees anticipates: (i) entering into an intergovernmental agreement with Hinsdale County before each municipal election, or participating in whatever other process is required by Hinsdale County, to allow

Hinsdale County to conduct the Town’s municipal elections during coordinated elections; and (ii) adopting an ordinance (a) changing the election date for regular municipal elections from the first Tuesday in April of even-numbered years to the Tuesday following the first Monday in November of even-numbered years, beginning in November of 2028, and (b) extending the terms of office of the Trustees of the Town Board elected during the April 2, 2024 election from April 2028 to November of 2028 and those elected during the April 7, 2026 election from April of 2030 to November of 2030 to ensure that their terms are not shortened; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees finds that it is in the best interest of the Town to adopt this Resolution and the procedures set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF LAKE CITY, COLORADO, THAT:

Section 1. Recitals Incorporated.

The foregoing recitals are affirmed and incorporated herein.

Section 2. Submission of Ballot Question.

Pursuant to applicable provisions of Colorado law and the ordinances of the Town of Lake City, the Board of Trustees hereby refers to the registered electors of the Town at the November 2026 General Statewide Election to be held on November 3rd, 2026, coordinated by Hinsdale County, the following ballot question, in substantially the same form, to appear on the mail ballot of the 2026 General Statewide Election:

SHALL THE TOWN OF LAKE CITY’S REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION BE MOVED FROM THE FIRST TUESDAY IN APRIL OF EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS TO THE TUESDAY IN NOVEMBER OF EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS WHEN GENERAL STATEWIDE ELECTIONS ARE HELD TO PROMOTE INCREASED VOTER PARTICIPATION, REDUCE TOWN ELECTION EXPENSES, AND ALLOW THE TOWN TO PARTICIPATE IN ELECTIONS COORDINATED BY HINSDALE COUNTY?

 YES

 NO

Section 3. Ballot Title.

This Resolution shall serve to set the title and content of the ballot question set forth in Section 2 above, and the ballot title for such question shall be the text of the question itself.

Section 4. Election Coordination

The ballot question set forth in Section 2 shall be submitted to the registered electors of the Town at the November 2026 General Statewide Election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2026. The election shall be coordinated by the Hinsdale County Clerk and Recorder pursuant to applicable law and any intergovernmental agreement or other election coordination documents approved by the Town and Hinsdale County.

Section 5. Effect of Voter Approval

If a majority of the registered electors voting on the ballot question vote in favor of the question, the question shall be deemed to have passed and shall be effective upon adoption of an ordinance changing the regular municipal election date, beginning with the Town's regular municipal election in November of 2028.

Section 6. Authority of Town Officials.

The Town Clerk, as the designated election official for the Town, is hereby authorized and directed to take all necessary and required action for the proper coordination and conduct of the November 2026 General Statewide Election in cooperation with the Hinsdale County Clerk and Recorder.

Section 7. Severability.

If any portion of this Resolution is held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the invalidity or unenforceability of such portion shall not affect any of the remaining portions of this Resolution.

PASSED AND ADOPTED AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF LAKE CITY ON THIS 17th DAY OF JUNE 2026.

TOWN OF LAKE CITY, COLORADO

By: _____

Dave Roberts, Mayor

ATTEST:

By: _____

Christina Bowman, Town Clerk