

TOWN OF PALMER LAKE, COLORADO

RESOLUTION NO. 10-2020

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF PALMER LAKE, COLORADO,
REFERRING TO VOTERS AT THE NOVEMBER 3, 2020, ELECTION THE
ISSUE OF ELIMINATING THE REQUIREMENT THAT PAYMENTS OF BILLS
AND STATEMENTS CONCERNING CONTRACTS AND REBATES BE
PUBLISHED IN A NEWSPAPER**

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Town of Palmer Lake, Colorado, pursuant to Colorado statute and the Town of Palmer Lake Municipal Code, is vested with the authority of administering the affairs of the Town of Palmer Lake, Colorado;

WHEREAS, the Town will participate in a coordinated election to be held on November 3, 2020;

WHEREAS, Colorado Revised Statutes, (C.R.S.) Section 31-16-202 requires that the Town publish its proceedings related to the payment of bills and publish a statement concerning all awarded contracts and rebates allowed;

WHEREAS, C.R.S. Section 31-16-202(1.5) provides that the requirement of publishing proceedings related to the payment of bills and a statement concerning all awarded contracts and rebates allowed may be waived if approved by the Town's electorate at a special or regular election and allows voters to determine that the Town need not publish its proceedings related to payments of bills, contracts awarded and rebates allowed;

WHEREAS, it is an undue financial burden for the Town to continue to publish its proceedings related to the payment of bills, contracts awarded and rebates allowed in the newspaper of general circulation; and

WHEREAS, the payment of the Town bills, contracts awarded, and rebates allowed, and indeed all Town finances, are a matter of public record open and available for public review without newspaper publication.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE TOWN OF PALMER LAKE, COLORADO AS FOLLOWS:**

1. At the November 3, 2020 coordinated election, the following ballot question shall be submitted to the registered electors of the Town of Palmer Lake, Colorado:

In order to save money on the cost of publication, shall the Town be authorized not to publish in the newspaper its proceedings related to payments of bills, contracts awarded and rebates allowed, with such information instead being posted to the Town's official website?

YES _____

NO _____

2. In connection with the fixing of the ballot title, the Board of Trustees of the Town of Palmer Lake finds and determines as follows:

A. The Town Board of Trustees finds that the general understanding of the effect of a "yes" or "no" vote on the Ballot Issue will be clear to the electors.

B. The ballot title for the Ballot Issue will not conflict with those titles selected for any other Town measure that may appear on the ballot at the November 3, 2020 regular coordinated election; and

C. The ballot title for the Ballot Issue correctly and fairly expresses the true intent and meaning of the measure.

3. If the above ballot question is approved, Town bills shall be published on the Town's website and a list of all contracts awarded and rebates approved by the Town shall be posted on the Town's website.

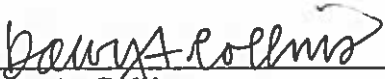
4. Severability. If any article, section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Resolution is held to be unconstitutional or invalid for any reason such decision shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of the remaining portions of this Resolution. The Board of Trustees hereby declares that it would have passed this resolution and each part or parts thereof irrespective of the fact that any one part or parts be declared unconstitutional or invalid.

5. Repeal. Existing resolutions or parts of resolutions covering the same matters embraced in this Resolution are hereby repealed and all resolutions or parts of resolutions inconsistent with the provisions of this Resolution are hereby repealed.

**INTRODUCED, RESOLVED, AND PASSED AT A REGULAR MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF PALMER LAKE ON THIS
25TH DAY OF JUNE, 2020.**

ATTEST:

TOWN OF PALMER LAKE, COLORADO



Dawn A. Collins
Town Clerk/Deputy Administrator

BY: 

John Cressman
Mayor