Arapahoe County seeks comment on Voter Service and Polling Center locations for 2014 General Election

Clerk and Recorder proposes 25 locations to complement mail-ballot election

Littleton, CO – The Arapahoe County Clerk and Recorder’s Office is seeking public comment on a proposal for 25 Voter Service and Polling Centers for the Nov. 4 General Election. While all active voters will now receive a mail ballot, counties also must offer in-person services at voter service and polling centers in every election.

“Arapahoe County’s active, registered voters can expect to receive their mail-ballot for the General Election in mid-October,” said Clerk and Recorder Matt Crane. “We also will offer 25 locations where citizens can register to vote in-person, update their voter record or party affiliation, request or replace a ballot, or vote on an accessible voting machine through Election Day. We welcome citizen input on the selection of these sites.”

Arapahoe County’s plan for 25 Voter Service and Polling Centers will surpass state law, which requires at least 23 locations based on active, registered voters in the county. Eleven locations will be open Oct. 20 – Nov. 4 for early voting, or Phase 1. The remaining 15 locations, although only required to open on Election Day for Phase 2, will be open Nov. 1-4 to provide more access for citizens to the ballot.

Citizens may visit any Voter Service and Polling Center in the county. There are no longer assigned precinct polling places in Colorado. The Voter Service and Polling Centers will be located in larger public settings, such as schools, churches and government buildings. Each will feature accessible touch-screen voting machines and laptops with a real-time connection to the statewide electronic poll book for voter records and check-in, which provides assurances that voters cannot vote twice.

Arapahoe County’s Voter Service and Polling Center plan and proposed sites for the Nov. 4 General Election is available at www.arapahoevotes.com.

Public comment on this plan will be accepted through Aug. 1, 2014. Comments may be submitted online at www.arapahoevotes.com, in writing to the Clerk and Recorder’s Office by mail to 5334 South Prince St., Littleton, CO 80120, or by email to elections@arapahoegov.com.

Interested citizens are also invited to attend a public hearing at 1 p.m., Aug. 1 in the West Hearing Room of the Arapahoe County Administration Building at 5334 South Prince St., Littleton.

For more information or to request a printed copy of the plan, contact the Elections Division at 303-795-4511.
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