

2026 Town of Dillon Ballot Measures Information Booklet



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Municipal Election

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Analysis of the Seven 2026 Charter Ballot Questions

This is not a ballot. It is election information only.

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A “yes/for” vote on any Charter ballot issue is a vote in favor of changing current Charter language, and a “no/against” vote on any Chart ballot issue is a vote against changing current Charter language.

All Charter ballot questions need a majority vote to pass.

About This Booklet

This booklet contains summary statements specifically for the Town of Dillon Charter ballot issues. The information contained in the booklet was prepared by Town Staff in an effort to provide a neutral summary of each ballot question.

A "YES" vote on any ballot issue is a vote in favor of changing current Charter language.

A "NO" vote on any ballot issue is a vote against changing current Charter language.

This notice does not contain information on other local measures or statewide measures.

Quick Town of Dillon Charter Ballot Question Guide

BALLOT QUESTION A

SHALL THE DILLON HOME RULE CHARTER BE AMENDED TO REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT THAT TOWN COUNCIL MUST MEET AT LEAST TWICE EACH MONTH, ALLOWING GREATER FLEXIBILITY IN SCHEDULING?

This amendment would remove the requirement that Town Council meet at least twice each month. A regular meeting schedule is adopted by resolution following an election or before the start of a new year. Meetings would remain publicly noticed and recorded.

Charter Text Changes:

3-1 - Meetings.

The Council shall meet ~~regularly at least twice~~ each month. The Council shall prescribe by rules of the Council the day and hour of its regular meetings and the procedures governing meetings. The first meeting, regular or special, following each regular municipal election shall be the organization meeting. The Council shall cause written minutes of its regular and special meetings to be taken and retained in the records of the Town.

BALLOT QUESTION B

SHALL THE DILLON HOME RULE CHARTER BE AMENDED TO DESIGNATE THE TOWN'S WEBSITE AS THE OFFICIAL LOCATION FOR ALL POSTINGS AND PUBLICATIONS REQUIRED BY THE CHARTER AND DILLON MUNICIPAL CODE?

This amendment would designate the Town's official website as the Charter-required location for postings and publications. The Town intends to continue publishing notices in the newspaper; however, the website would serve as the official source for required postings.

Charter Text Changes:

14-11- Definitions.

(10) "Published" or "Publication": Publishing ~~in a newspaper of general circulation in~~ ON THE OFFICIAL WEBSITE OF the Town.

BALLOT QUESTION C

SHALL THE DILLON HOME RULE CHARTER BE AMENDED TO ALLOW APPROPRIATIONS TO OCCUR VIA RESOLUTION RATHER THAN ORDINANCE TO ALIGN WITH THE TOWN'S BUDGET ADOPTION PROCESS?

This amendment would allow appropriations to be approved by resolution rather than ordinance. Appropriations would continue to be considered at public meetings with recorded council action. This would align the process for appropriating funds with the budget process, which is adopted by resolution after a public hearing. Supplemental appropriations are already allowed to be made by resolution.

Charter Text Changes:

3-7 – Action by Ordinance Required.

In addition to such acts of the Council as are required by the Charter to be by ordinance, every act ~~making an appropriation~~, authorizing the borrowing of money, imposing a tax, fixing rates charged by any municipal utility system, OR establishing any regulation for violation of which a fine or jail sentence penalty may be imposed, or placing any direct burden upon or direct limitation on the use of private property shall be by ordinance.

BALLOT QUESTION D

SHALL THE DILLON HOME RULE CHARTER BE AMENDED TO ALLOW LEASES OF TOWN PROPERTY TO OCCUR VIA RESOLUTION RATHER THAN ORDINANCE?

This amendment would allow leases to be approved by resolution instead of ordinance. Lease approvals would continue to occur at public meetings with recorded council action.

Charter Text Changes:

14-3 - Lease of Property.

The Council may lease, for such time as Council shall determine, any real or personal property to or from any person, firm or corporation, public and private, governmental or otherwise. Any lease of Town property ~~for a period of more than one (1) year shall be by ordinance. Any lease of Town property for one (1) year or less than one (1) year shall be by resolution or ordinance.~~

BALLOT QUESTION E

SHALL THE DILLON HOME RULE CHARTER BE AMENDED TO ALLOW THE FIXING OF RATES CHARGED BY ANY MUNICIPAL UTILITY SYSTEM TO OCCUR VIA RESOLUTION RATHER THAN ORDINANCE?

This amendment would allow utility rates to be set by resolution rather than ordinance. Rate changes would continue to be approved by Council at public meetings with recorded votes.

Charter Text Changes:

3-7 – Action by Ordinance Required.

In addition to such acts of the Council as are required by the Charter to be by ordinance, every act making an appropriation, authorizing the borrowing of money, imposing a tax, ~~fixing rates charged by any municipal utility system,~~ OR establishing any regulation for violation of which a fine or jail sentence penalty may be imposed, or placing any direct burden upon or direct limitation on the use of private property shall be by ordinance.

BALLOT QUESTION F

SHALL THE DILLON HOME RULE CHARTER BE AMENDED TO ALLOW AN ACT WHICH PLACES A DIRECT BURDEN UPON OR DIRECT LIMITATION ON THE USE OF PRIVATE PROPERTY TO OCCUR VIA RESOLUTION RATHER THAN ORDINANCE?

This amendment would allow such actions to be approved by resolution rather than ordinance. The amendment changes the process by which Council takes action and does not expand the Town's authority over private property.

Charter Text Changes:

3-7 – Action by Ordinance Required.

In addition to such acts of the Council as are required by the Charter to be by ordinance, every act making an appropriation, authorizing the borrowing of money, imposing a tax, fixing rates charged by any municipal utility system, OR establishing any regulation for violation of which a fine or jail sentence penalty may be imposed, ~~or placing any direct burden upon or direct limitation on the use of private property~~ shall be by ordinance.

BALLOT QUESTION G

SHALL THE HOME RULE CHARTER, ADOPTED IN 1993, BE AMENDED TO MODIFY THE FOLLOWING OUTDATED PROVISIONS AND BRING THE LANGUAGE INTO COMPLIANCE WITH STATE LAW:

This question would amend certain Charter provisions that are no longer consistent with current law or practice. The Dillon Charter was adopted in 1993 and has not been updated or changed since. Certain state laws have changed, and the Charter is now in conflict with State laws such as TABOR and audit laws. While the Town follows State law on these matters, these changes would allow the Charter to be cleaned up and avoid any confusion or conflict with these State laws.

- 1. MODIFYING THE TIME TO COMPLETE THE ANNUAL AUDIT FROM WITHIN FOUR (4) MONTHS TO WITHIN SIX (6) MONTHS AFTER THE CLOSE OF THE FISCAL YEAR, UNLESS AN EXTENSION IS AUTHORIZED;**

This amendment changes the deadline for completing the Town's annual audit from four months to six months after the end of the fiscal year, consistent with current state requirements.

Charter Text Changes:

8-10. - Independent Audit.

The Council shall provide for an independent annual audit of all Town accounts by a certified public accountant selected by the Council and may provide for more frequent audits as it deems necessary. The accountant selected shall have no direct personal interest in the fiscal affairs of the Town, of any member of the Council, or of any other officer of the Town. Unless another date is provided by ordinance, or AN EXTENSION IS AUTHORIZED PURSUANT TO C.R.S. § 29-1-601, the audit shall be completed within ~~four (4)~~ SIX (6) months after the close of the fiscal year. Copies of the audit shall be made available for public inspection.

2. REMOVING THE FOUR-YEAR DELAY ON IMPLEMENTING TABOR, WHICH TIME PERIOD HAS ALREADY PASSED; AND

This amendment removes a voter-approved four-year delay in implementing TABOR that has already expired and is no longer applicable.

Charter Text Changes:

~~Section 9-6. Voter Approval of Four Year Delay.~~

~~Notwithstanding the provisions and powers granted herein, in the event that any provision of this Article IX is declared to be invalid for any reason by a Court of law, then, and in that event, the voters hereby give their approval to a four year delay in the imposition of all applicable limitations imposed by Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution, pursuant to and in accordance with that voter approval required by Article X, Section 20(3)(a) of the Colorado Constitution.~~

~~This approval to a four year delay in the imposition of all applicable limitations imposed by Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution shall be implemented and activated at the sole discretion and decision of the Council at any time following this voter approval.~~

~~In the event the four year delay is implemented and activated by the Council pursuant hereto, then, and in that event, it is the specific desire and intention of the voters hereon that at the end of such four year delay the Council shall select that time period to be used to create the revenue/spending base imposed by Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution. The time period used, at the sole discretion of the Council, may be prior to, during or following termination of the four year delay or any other time period which may be available for use by the Council in making such selection.~~

3. CORRECTING OUTDATED LANGUAGE RELATED TO LEVYING TAXES FOR IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS WITHOUT AN ELECTION?

This amendment updates outdated language related to improvement district taxes to ensure compliance with TABOR and current state law.

Charter Text Changes:

11-5 – Improvement District Securities – General Benefit.

~~(a) In consideration of general benefits conferred on the Town at large from the construction, acquisition or installation of improvements made in connection with a local improvement district, the THE Council may, without an election, levy a general ad valorem property tax on all taxable property within the Town, at a rate not to exceed two (2) mills for any single district in any one (1) year, to be IN ITS DISCRETION, APPLY ANY AVAILABLE MONEY OF THE TOWN FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES: disbursed among the following purposes with such priority as may be determined by the Council:~~

~~(1) Paying any assessment levied against the Town, whether or not imposed on Town-owned property, in connection with securities issued for any local improvement district;~~

~~(2) Advancing money for the payment of principal, interest or both, for establishing reserves for, or otherwise securing the payment of, securities issued for any local improvement district in the manner provided for in the authorizing ordinance.~~

~~(b) In lieu of the tax levy provided in Subsection (a) of this Section, the Council may, in its discretion, apply any available money of the Town for the purposes listed in Subsection (a) of this Section, but in no event shall the amount so applied in any one (1) year exceed the amount which would have resulted in such year from a tax levied pursuant to Subsection (a) of this Section.~~