

A RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION URGING THE REGISTERED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD TO VOTE IN FAVOR OF LAKEWOOD BALLOT ISSUE 2A AT THE NOVEMBER 5, 2024 STATE GENERAL ELECTION, A BALLOT ISSUE FOR THE PURPOSE OF AUTHORIZING A VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE FOR THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD

WHEREAS, Colorado Constitution Art. XXVII and C.R.S. 1-45-116 provide that the requirements of Art. XXVIII of the State Constitution and C.R.S. 1-45-116 shall not apply to home rule cities that have adopted ordinances that address campaign finance law;

WHEREAS, the City of Lakewood has adopted Chapter 2.54 of the Lakewood Municipal Code (LMC), such chapter entitled "Campaign and Political Finance In Municipal Elections", such original adoption occurring in 2013, with updates in 2018 and 2023;

WHEREAS, LMC Section 2.54.060 (1)(a)(II)(B)(iv) allows the City Council to pass a resolution taking a position of advocacy on a local ballot issue that has been submitted for the purpose of having a title fixed pursuant to Section 31-11-111, C.R.S. or that has had a title fixed pursuant to that section, and reporting the passage of and distributing such resolution through established, customary means other than paid advertising;

WHEREAS, Section (7)(d) of Colo. Const. Art. X, Section 20, the "Taxpayer's Bill of Rights", ("TABOR") expressly allows voters to approve a revenue change not involving a tax increase, and does not require any particular ballot wording for voter-approved revenue changes that are separate from tax increases;

WHEREAS, on August 12, 2024, the City Council adopted Resolution 2024-38 to submit a ballot issue to the registered electors of the City of Lakewood which, if approved, would authorize a voter-approved revenue change for the City of Lakewood;

WHEREAS, the voter-approved revenue change would authorize the City to retain previously approved sources of income, including City taxes, State funding grants, licensing fees, municipal court fines, and all other revenue collected from all sources, in excess of the revenue or spending limitations set forth in TABOR, from the year 2026 and continuing each year thereafter;

WHEREAS, this municipal ballot issue has been identified by the Jefferson County Clerk and Recorder as "City of Lakewood Ballot Issue 2A", and will appear as "City of Lakewood Ballot Issue 2A" on the November 5, 2024 ballot provided to the registered electors of the City of Lakewood;

WHEREAS, if the "City of Lakewood Ballot Issue 2A" is approved by the registered electors of the City of Lakewood, the City will expend such funds it receives and collects above the TABOR revenue and spending limits on the following:

- Parks, Recreation, and Open Space
- Public Safety-Related Equipment, Services, and Personnel
- The Maintenance and Improvement of Streets, Sidewalks, Paths and Infrastructure

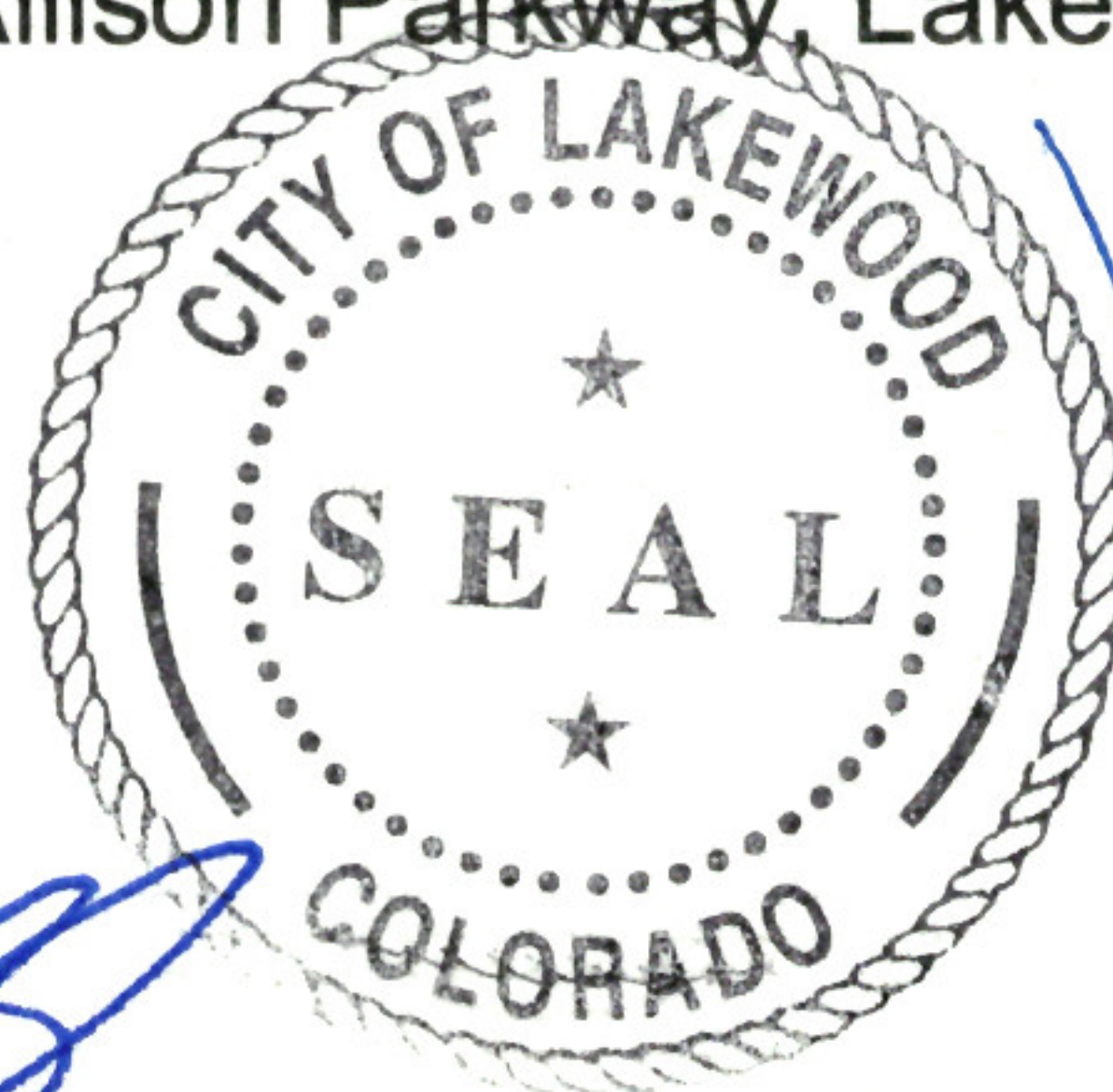
WHEREAS, if the "City of Lakewood Ballot Issue 2A" is approved by the registered electors of the City of Lakewood, the City may continue to invest in the priorities identified by the residents of the City that contribute to safer streets, improved quality of life, and cleaner air and water for ALL residents of Lakewood.

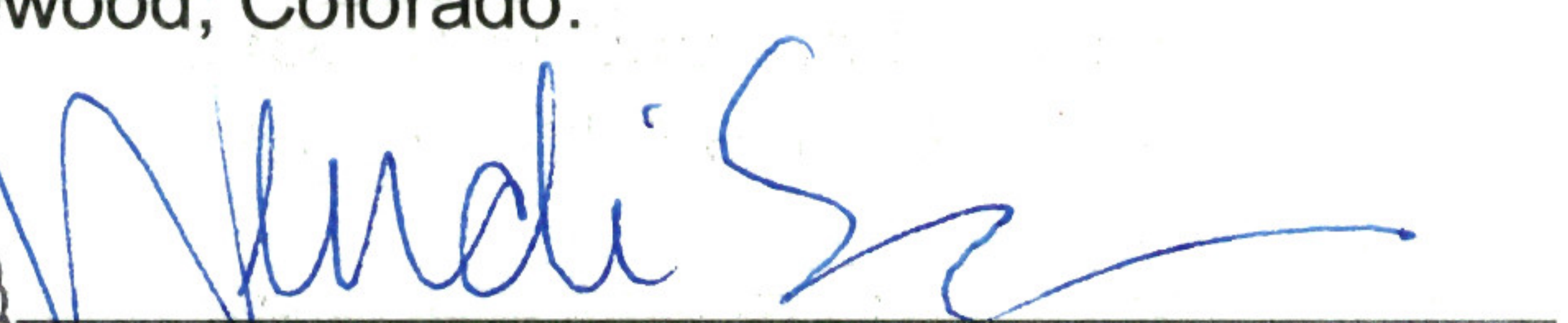
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, COLORADO, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The recitals set forth above are incorporated herein.

SECTION 2. The Lakewood City Council hereby urges the registered electors of the City to vote "yes" on the "City of Lakewood Ballot Issue 2A" at the November 5, 2024 State General Election, a ballot issue for the purpose of authorizing a voter-approved revenue change for the City of Lakewood.

INTRODUCED, READ AND ADOPTED by a vote of 9 for and 1 against at a hybrid special meeting of the City Council on October 7, 2024, at 7 o'clock p.m., at the Lakewood Civic Center, 480 South Allison Parkway, Lakewood, Colorado.





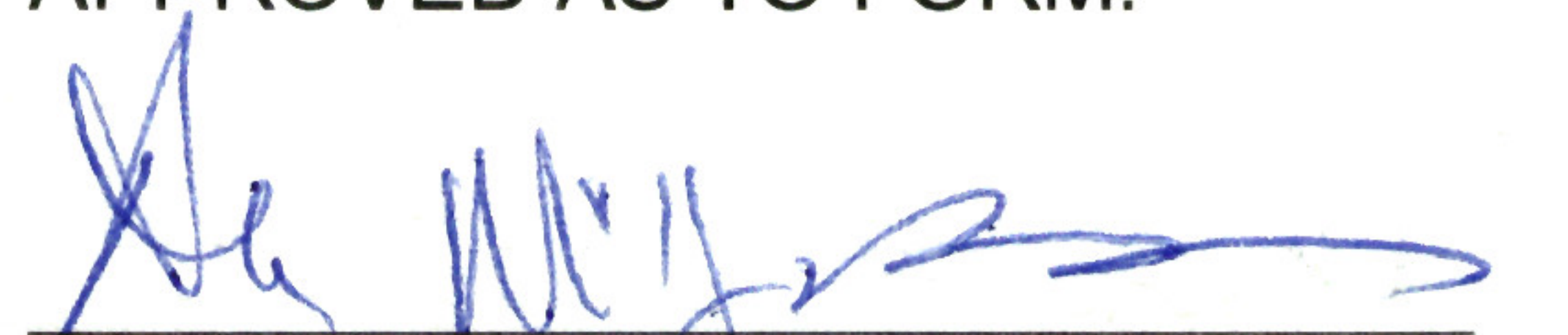
Wendi Strom, Mayor

ATTEST:



Jay Robb, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Alison McKenney Brown, City Attorney