



# CITIZENS PROJECT

## VOTER GUIDE - MUNICIPAL ELECTION 2015

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

**Election Day is Tuesday, April 7, 2015**

Ballots may be dropped off between March 13 and April 7 at the City

Clerk's Office- 30 S. Nevada Ave, Suite 101 or at county drop-off sites

within city limits. A link to list and map of locations can be found at [www.citizensproject.org](http://www.citizensproject.org).

**For problems or questions** call the City Clerk's Office at (719) 385-5901, option 4

### Voter Registration Questions:

Ballots will be mailed beginning March 13.

To register or update your registration visit

[www.govotecolorado.com](http://www.govotecolorado.com)

**THIS IS AN ALL-MAIL ELECTION AND BALLOTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY APRIL 7, 2015 AT 7PM.**

City Council Candidates (Click to jump to page):

DISTRICT 2

[Larry C. Bagley](#)

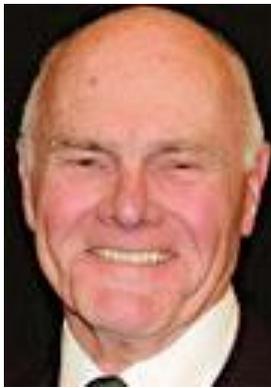
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1. *What are the top two issues facing Colorado Springs and how will you address them? (100 words)*
2. *What is the ideal working relationship between city council and the mayor? How will you ensure a healthy and productive working relationship between these two bodies of city government? (50 words)*
3. *What proactive steps should council and the mayor take to gather citizen input early in discussions about city issues, and to better promote public access to government information? (50 words)*
4. *What is the ideal relationship between the City and its enterprises, and how can Council ensure that services provided by Colorado Springs Utilities and other enterprises remain accessible and affordable for all residents? (150 words)*
5. *What steps should the City of Colorado Springs take to ensure economic development and job growth in the region? In which areas and sectors should we focus? (150 words)*
6. *What are your plans for, or ideas about, addressing our community's need to assist those most vulnerable in our community, particularly people experiencing homelessness? (150 words)*
7. *What do you see as the needs of our public transit system? How will you address those needs? (150 words)*
8. *How should the city address the huge backlog of capital improvement and infrastructure needs? (150 words)*
9. *The city is regularly asked to pass proclamations recognizing significant events in the community. Which of the following would you support and why? (150 words)*
  - o Proclamation supporting Cinco de Mayo*
  - o Proclamation supporting the Everybody Welcome! Diversity Festival*
  - o Proclamation supporting Pride Fest*
  - o Proclamation supporting Small Business Week*
  - o Proclamation supporting National Sanctity of Human Life Day*
  - o Proclamation supporting Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Day*
10. *What role does a vibrant and well-funded arts & cultural sector play in the overall vitality of our local economy? (150 words)*

The responses were not edited for grammar, punctuation, or spelling.





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Q1. Jobs/Economy and Infrastructure - Part of creating an environment that would attract new jobs to Colorado Springs includes: a long term solution to build out and maintain community infrastructure, giving the police and safety community the tools to make Colorado Springs as safe as is possible, provide potential incentives including the possibility of reducing fees, streamlining regulatory processes, and potential tax incentives enabling potential investors to relocate their companies in our community. Funding for infrastructure (to include parks) and capital improvements is an investment in our future.

Q2. The ideal working relationship would be one based on trust and mutual respect. We will have an opportunity following the elections in April to build a constructive relationship that in the end serves the citizens of our community. I would support a joint Mayor/Council Charter review committee.

Q3. Both the Council and the Mayor should continue and increase town hall meetings, use of social media, and meetings with citizen groups. The possible use of interactive video meetings (e.g., Skype) with multiple groups should be considered.

Q4. The current utilities governance is, and has been for years, working – great service, reasonable rates, and plans for the future. The City Council, as Board of Directors, is responsible to and accountable to the voters/owners and represent them in all decisions. Although I would not change or modify anything at this time, I support a review of governance alternatives to determine how best to provide improved efficiency, lower rates, and better service to our community. I strongly support a municipally owned utilities, and would not look to sell off all or part of CSU.

Q5. Continue efforts started at the Airport to create jobs, and use as a model like this in other areas of the City. Part of creating an environment that would attract new jobs to Colorado Springs includes: a long term solution to build out and maintain community infrastructure, giving the police and safety community the tools to make Colorado Springs as safe as is possible, provide potential incentives including the possibility of reducing fees, streamlining regulatory processes, and potential tax incentives enabling potential investors to relocate their companies in our community. In order to diversify our economy, we should focus on aviation, space, and emerging technology sectors.

Q6. Specific initiatives include, determine what support facilities, organizations, and programs are available, and what “vagrants” need – beds, food, training, clothes, medicines, etc. Support current police units responsible for assisting homeless/vagrants, and recruit organizations and volunteers to escort them to the proper facilities and programs. We should treat the homeless and vagrants with respect, and courtesy to maintain their dignity. I strongly support the current and future efforts of public safety responders, downtown business, local Churches, other City programs and facilities, and other charitable organizations who serve the homeless and reduce vagrancy. The Rescue Mission is doing great work now and will in the future to serve the homeless and reduce vagrancy, and the potential for a center for services further south and north will serve to meet some future needs.

Q7. Mountain Metro Transit Services service metrics and responsiveness are commendable. They offer a number of creative services to meet public transportation needs. A number of Transit Planning Studies have been accomplished, with the most recent survey advertised online released in 2013. A Transit Passenger Advisory Committee has meetings open to the public, occurring monthly, and arrival/departures screens have been installed. There are some short falls, and there is always room for improvement. We need to look at alternatives to the hub/spoke system such as a grid system or a combination of grid/hub/spoke to make east/west connections more efficient for riders; more routes in District 2, and funding going forward must be addressed. A key factor in a truly vibrant and viable community, to include downtown, and in particular one that draws young professionals, is an efficient, effective and affordable transit system.

Q8. Funding for infrastructure (to include parks) and capital improvements is an investment in our future – a factor in job friendly environment, benefits residents, and tourists. I support a two prong approach – short term to address immediate needs that can be initiated now, and long term for sustainment and major projects. Possible funding sources include SCIP Bonds (suggested in several Storm water proposals), excess TABOR funds (ballot question), revamp City’s TABOR, or reallocate budget. In the next year the Council and Mayor should work closely with financial experts to identify innovative sources of funding for both short and long term solutions. It has taken us years to get to where we are now, and it will take time to “fix”, but we need to start now.

Q9. I support the celebration of all aspects of the vibrancy, vitality and future of our community, and the contributions of all our citizens. We need to celebrate the positive and move away from any negativity so we can move forward.

Q10. A vibrant and well-funded arts and cultural sector contributes immensely to the overall vitality and vibrancy of our community and economy. It attracts creative innovative persons for whom arts and culture affords an opportunity to expand interests. A vibrant arts and cultural sector enhances our humanity and community, and make us better people. We are a vibrant active community, and a strong arts and cultural sector will help us become even more so.



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*Citizens Project spotlights issues in the Pikes Peak region and mobilizes people to strengthen the traditional values of our nation: equal rights, individual freedoms, separation of church and state, civic engagement, and respect for diversity.*

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