

## 2018-11-13 LC Update

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### Legislative Affairs Coalition Update

November 13, 2018

#### [November 6, 2018 General Election Unofficial Results](#) (Link to La Plata County results)

***In La Plata County 28,735 people voted – and with 45,647 registered voters that is a 62.95% turnout.***

- It's too soon for a few local candidate results; the final results will be finalized by November 14<sup>th</sup>
- There are some curative and overseas ballots that will be counted
- It's possible the votes will be so close it would trigger an automatic recount - In Colorado, an automatic recount is triggered if the voting difference is one-half of 1 percent.
- if there was a recount, the final results of that process would have to be finished by Nov. 28.

#### [Colorado Secretary of State Voter Registration data](#)

What this means is that the active and inactive data shows that 39% are registered Independent or Unaffiliated individuals; 30% are registered Democrat; 28% are registered Republican and all others are at about 3%.

### La Plata County Zoning Update

Amidst the process of updating the Land Use Code, the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) is considering changes to zoning policies. To capture public opinion, the Planning Department surveyed the public on the topic through November 10. [View survey results](#). The BOCC will discuss zoning and take public comment at a work session from **2-5 p.m., Tuesday, December 4** in the Board Room of the La Plata County Administration Building.

#### Background Documents:

- [Agriculture Plus Zone District](#) (memo)
- [Overlay Zone Districts](#) (memo)
- [Euclidean Zoning Policy Considerations](#) (memo)
- [Zoning Comparison Exercise](#)
- [Comparative Zoning Model](#)
- [Potential Problems with Euclidean Zoning](#) (memo)
- [Policy Consideration for Non-Conformities](#) (memo)
- [Legal Overview of Zoning's Purpose & Implementation](#) (memo)
- [Zoning Classification Implications on Tax Assessment](#) (memo)

## Homelessness Update

The Board of County Commissioners and the Durango City Council will meet November 14 for an update on the strategy to address homelessness. There has been discussion about utilizing the Joint Sales Tax as a potential funding source. In addition, at a study session 4pm today, the City Council will discuss camping and sheltering rules within the city.

## BOCC seeks Boards & Commissions members

The La Plata County Board of County Commissioners is seeking La Plata County residents to serve on boards and commissions. All positions are advisory and are not monetarily compensated. An [application is available online](#) or at the La Plata County Administration Building. **Applications are due by Dec. 7.** For additional information, please contact Jan Mayer-Gawlik (970) 382-6219. The following county boards and commissions will have openings as of January:

- Board of Adjustment
- Community Corrections Board
- Citizens Review Panel for Child Welfare Grievances
- Durango Hills Road Improvement District Advisory Committee
- Durango Area Tourism Office Board
- Durango-La Plata County Airport Commission
- Extension Advisory Committee
- Fire Code Adoption and Revision Commission
- Fire Code Board of Appeals (design professional, general industry or business professional, industrial safety professional)
- Historic Preservation Review Commission
- Ignacio, Allison, Oxford Cemetery District Board
- Ignacio Community Library
- Lake Durango Water Authority (customer of LDWA)
- Living with Wildlife Advisory Board
- Lodging Tax Panel
- Long Term Finance Committee
- Multi Event Center Commission
- Planning Commission
- Southwest Region 9 Workforce Board
- Undesirable Plant & Rodent Advisory Commission

## **LPEA Update**

La Plata Electric Association (LPEA) has contracted with the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) Market Research Services to conduct a member satisfaction survey. More than 400 households will be arbitrarily selected and surveyed in La Plata and Archuleta counties. The telephone and online surveys began November 12. For more information: <https://www.lpea.com/>

## **La Plata County Projects Approved**

- On 10/16/18 the BOCC approved The Meadows at Edgemont Ranch Unit 3A Phase 2 Preliminary Plat for a subdivision of 53 single family lots, 11.68 acres of open space and a 2.1- acre lot for a future possible location of a picnic site.
- On 10/18/18 the Joint Planning Commission approved Elevation Park at Hope Springs Phase 2 Conceptual Development Plan for 16 single family lots, 68 multi-family (townhome) lots, commercial development and 3.58 acres of open space. It is located at 29000 E US Hwy 160.

## **Meetings attended Oct 9-Nov 13**

- 10/9 10am BOCC Business Meeting
- 10/9 2pm BOCC Work Session
- 10/9 4pm Durango City Council Work Session
- 10/10 8:30am BOCC Board Discussion Time
- 10/10 1:30pm BOCC Work Session
- 10/11 6pm LPC Planning Commission
- 10/16 10am BOCC Planning Meeting
- 10/16 10:09am BOCC Business Meeting
- 10/16 4pm BOCC / Durango Council Joint Study Session
- 10/16 6:30pm Durango City Council Meeting
- 10/17 8:30am BOCC Board Discussion Time
- 10/18 6pm Joint Planning Commission Meeting
- 10/22 6pm Durango Planning Commission
- 10/23 10am BOCC Business Meeting
- 10/23 5:30pm BOCC Special Business Meeting
- 10/25 6pm LPC Planning Commission
- 10/31 8:30am BOCC Board Discussion Time
- 11/1 6pm LPC Planning Commission
- 11/5 6:30pm Durango City Council Meeting

- 11/8 6pm LPC Planning Commission