

## Primary Election Unofficial Results

### LPC Assessor

- Carrie Woodson (D) incumbent - uncontested

### LPC Clerk & Recorder

- Tiffany Lee (I) incumbent - uncontested

### LPC Coroner

- Jan Smith (R) incumbent - uncontested

### LPC Sheriff

- Sean Smith (D) incumbent - uncontested

### LPC Surveyor

- Steven McCormack (I) incumbent - uncontested

### LPC Treasurer Candidates

- Allison Aichele, (D) incumbent - contributions (\$961.79), expenditures \$0
- Erin Hutchins, (I) - contributions \$5,590.29, expenditures \$2,387.25  
<https://www.facebook.com/Erin2022Treasurer>

### LPC Commissioner, District 1

- Clyde Church, (D) incumbent - contributions \$4,625.00, expenditures \$6,865.94
- Brad Blake, (R) - contributions \$19,030.01, expenditures \$6,083.93 <https://electbradblake.com/>
- Jack Turner (I) - contributions \$13,426.20, expenditures \$10,829.32 <https://electjackturner.com/>

### 3rd Congressional House District

- Lauren Boebert, (R) incumbent - contributions \$5,043,851.51, expenditures \$3,369,215.31  
<https://laurenforcolorado.com/>
- Adam Frisch (D) - contributions \$2,548,135.82, expenditures \$1,920,373.52 <https://www.adamforcolorado.com/>

### US Senate Colorado

- Michael Bennet (D) incumbent - contributions \$13,226,179.57, expenditures \$7,954,390.68  
<https://michaelbennet.com/>
- Joe O’Dea (R) - contributions \$2,337,117.41, expenditures \$1,336,351.73 <https://www.joeodea.com/>

## Unemployment Update

- La Plata County’s unemployment rate was 2.9% in April, down from 3.5% in March
- San Juan County was 2.4% in April, down from 2.6% in March
- Montezuma County was 3.6%, down from 4.3% in March
- Dolores County was 3.2%, down from 3.8% in March
- Archuleta County was 3.2%, down from 3.5% in March

## La Plata County Sales/Lodgers Tax Collection Update

- La Plata County sales tax collections for February show an increase of \$162,757 or 10.26% in comparison to the same period in 2021. Year to date, sales tax has increased \$339,367 or 10.51% as compared to the same period in 2021.
- Sales tax collections for March show an increase of \$145,940 or 7.42% in comparison to the same period in 2021. Year to date, Sales tax has increased \$485,307 or 9.34% as compared to the same period in 2021.
- Quarter 1 Lodgers tax increased \$15,603 or 6.69% in comparison to Quarter 1, 2021.

## Durango Sales Tax Collection Update

- Sales tax collected in January totalled \$3,368,416.

- Sales tax collected in February totalled \$6,221,158.
- Sales tax collected in March totalled \$8,572,468.
- Sales tax collected in April totalled \$11,509,299.

### **Durango Lodgers Tax Collection Update**

- In January, \$226K in total collections.
- In February, \$372K in total collections.
- In March, \$514K in total collections.
- In April, \$723K in total collections.

### **Durango-La Plata County Airport Update**

- Frontier Airlines will cease operations at the Durango-La Plata County Airport effective August 8, 2022. Frontier service between Durango and both Denver International Airport and Las Vegas' Harry Reid International Airport will continue to be offered twice weekly through August 7.
- As a reminder - DRO will be rehabilitating Runway 3/21 in September 2022. A full runway closure is planned for Wednesday, Sept. 7 – Friday, Sept. 16, 2022.

### **Durango Code Update**

- Durango's Planning Commission approved changes to the city's code related to Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs). According to Planner Dan Armentano, the staff initiated the changes mainly in response to complaints that the code was too restrictive.
- The most significant updates include allowing properties with ADUs to be eligible for variances through the Alternative Compliance process, eliminating minimum lot sizes for integrated ADUs, allowing the use in the Residential High Density zone, allowing one on-street parking space to be used as required parking in most circumstances, and updating the way owner occupancy requirements are certified.

### **La Plata County Code Update**

- County staff is putting finishing touches on Chapter. 90 of the Land Use Code, oil and gas regulations. According to County Attorney Sheryl Rogers, a joint Planning Commission/BOCC meeting will be scheduled in August. At that meeting, staff will walk through the structure and content of Ch 90. Following that, the county will hold workshops with stakeholders for public comment. Public hearings are likely in the fall. Adoption may be in the first quarter of 2023.

### **Project Approvals**

- The Durango City Council approved the River Trail Apartments Mixed-Use Preliminary Planned Development at Mercury Village. The mixed-use project will include three buildings. Building 1 will be a residential building with 32 residential units. Building 2 will be a mixed-use building with twenty-one residential units and four retail/commercial spaces. Building 3 will be a residential building with eighteen residential units.
- Durango City Council also approved 8 townhome units located at 1700 CR 203. This is phase 3 of the existing Animas Cliffs Condominiums Planned Development.
- The La Plata County Planning Commission approved a proposal for a multi-family residential structure with three apartment units on CR 203 in Hermosa. The site currently has a veterinarian and single family residence.
- La Plata County Commissioners approved the Area Conceptual Plan for two areas in the Glacier Club Development. The proposal includes up to 11 single family residential lots in Area L (30.78 Acres) and 10 single-family residential lots in Area M (19.79 Acres). The Commissioners also approved the permit for grading work to begin.

**Meetings attended June 2 - July 7**

6/2 - 3 pm LAC Meeting	6/22 - 8:30 am BOCC Discussion Time
6/8 - 8:30 am BOCC Discussion Time	6/23 - 6 pm LPC Planning Commission
6/9 - 6 pm LPC Planning Commission	6/27 - 5 pm Durango Planning Commission
6/10 - 8:30 am BID Coffee & Conversation	6/28 - 10 am BOCC Meeting
6/13 - 4:30 pm Durango URA Meeting	6/29 - 8:30 am BOCC Discussion Time
6/14 - 10 am BOCC Meeting	6/29 - 3:30 pm Joint BOCC/City Council Study Session
6/16 - 6 pm Joint Planning Commission	7/5 - 10 am BOCC Meeting
6/19 - 2:15 pm Durango Council Study Session	7/5 - 2:15 pm Durango Council Study Session
6/19 - 5:30 pm Durango City Council Meeting	7/5 - 5:30 pm Durango City Council Meeting
6/21 - 10 am BOCC Meeting	7/6 - 8:30 am BOCC Discussion Time