

**TOWN OF MILLIKEN
RESOLUTION NO. 17-25**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF MILLIKEN BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OPPOSING WELD COUNTY REFERRED BALLOT QUESTION 1A WHICH
SEEKS TO ABOLISH THE WELD COUNTY COUNCIL**

WHEREAS, the Town of Milliken (“Town”) is a legislative body and authorized to adopt resolutions in support or opposition to state, federal and local legislation; and

WHEREAS, the Weld County Board of County Commissioners has referred a ballot question to the registered voters of Weld County seeking to amend the Weld County Home Rule Charter to eliminate the Weld County Council (“County Council”); and

WHEREAS, a yes vote on Ballot Question 1A would disband and completely eliminate the separately elected County Council that was established through the original adoption of the Weld County Home Rule Charter in 1975; and

WHEREAS, the County Council is a five-member, non-partisan body elected by the registered voters to provide oversight to the County Commissioners and other governmental operations; and

WHEREAS, the County Council is charged with, among other duties, setting salaries of all elected officials, appointing vacancies in the office of Board of County Commissioner, and reviewing all aspects of County government including performing an audit of County government; and

WHEREAS, the County Council recently caused a performance review to be prepared by an outside consulting firm which outlined recommendations for increased transparency and efficiencies within the Weld County government; and

WHEREAS, immediately following publication of the performance review, the Weld County Board of County Commissioners voted to place Ballot Question 1A on the ballot to abolish the County Council; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Milliken Town Board of Trustees is concerned with the timing of Question 1A as it was approved by the Board of County Commissioners in the wake of the County Council’s release of the performance review; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees believes the County Council is a valuable asset to the County as it provides independent oversight of County operations; and

WHEREAS, the Milliken Board of Trustees wishes to voice its opposition to

Question 1A as being hastily drafted and adopted, and not being in the best interests of the County and its residents.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF MILLIKEN, COLORADO, that:

Section 1. The Board of Trustees of the Town of Milliken opposes Ballot Question 1A and urges registered electors to vote against Ballot Question 1A.

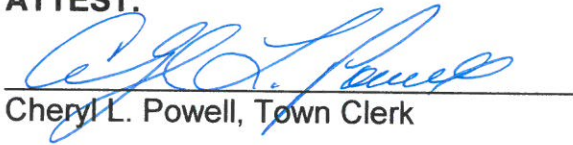
Section 2. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 11th day of October, 2017.



Beau Woodcock, Mayor

ATTEST:



Cheryl L. Powell, Town Clerk