



ASSOCIATED GENERAL CONTRACTORS

2024 BALLOT GUIDE

Ballot Guide of the Associated General Contractors of Colorado

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At AGC we are actively engaged in interviewing and then supporting or opposing key candidates & measures that could make or break the Colorado economy and the construction & design industry. Here are our recommendations for the November 5, 2024 election:

FEDERAL CANDIDATES

[AGC America PAC](#) has interviewed candidates for Congress and has made PAC contributions to the following candidates in Colorado:

US House of Representatives

District 3	Jeff Hurd - R	https://jeffhurdforcolorado.com/
District 5	Jeff Crank - R	https://jeffcrankforcongress.com/
District 8	Gabe Evans - R	https://electgabeevans.com/

STATE BALLOT MEASURES – Vote YES on Prop JJ

AGC takes a YES position on Prop JJ and is providing info to educate members and voters about the other 13 measures

This year, voters in Colorado will consider fourteen state ballot measures – 7 proposed changes to the state constitution (Amendments) and 7 changes to state law (Propositions). State legislators have referred seven of these measures to the ballot (those with a letter) while citizen groups have introduced the remaining seven (those with a number).

Constitutional Amendments require 55% voter approval, while Propositions require a simple majority (50%) to pass.

Amendment G - [Expanded Property Tax Exemption for Disabled Veterans](#) Educate

- Expands property tax exemptions for veterans.
- Currently for 100% service-related disability.
- New: This includes veterans who cannot work (individual unemployability).
- Expected to cover 3,400 more veterans.
- Unanimous legislative support.

Amendment H - [Judicial Discipline Board](#) Educate

- Creates an independent judicial discipline board.
- Comprised of judges, attorneys, and the public.
- Would handle misconduct in the judicial branch.
- Stems from judicial branch scandals.
- Cleared legislature with only one no vote.

Amendment I - [No Bail for First-Degree Murder Suspects](#) Educate

- Denies bail for first-degree murder suspects.
- Current law only allows bail denial for capital offenses.
- Repeal of the death penalty in 2020 created a legal loophole.
- Passed by a wide legislative margin.

Amendment J - [Removing Same-Sex Marriage Ban](#) Educate

- Proposal to remove the ban on same-sex marriage from the state constitution.
- Language remains despite U.S. Supreme Court legalization.
- Cleared legislature with bipartisan support.
- Requires a simple majority to pass.



STATE BALLOT MEASURES (CONTINUED)

Amendment K - [Earlier Deadlines for Ballot Measures](#) Educate

- Moves up petition signature deadlines by one week.
- Applies to citizen initiatives and judges seeking retention.
- Allows more time for ballot finalization.

Amendment 79 - [Legal Abortion Rights in the State Constitution](#) Educate

- Seeks to enshrine abortion rights in the state constitution.
- Would remove a 40-year ban on public funding for abortion.
- Could allow Medicaid to cover more abortions.

Amendment 80 - [Right to School Choice](#) Educate

- Proposes a constitutional right for parents to choose their child's education.
- Covers all forms of schooling: public, private, charter, and homeschooling.

Proposition JJ - [Retain Sports Betting Tax Revenue](#) Vote YES

- Asks voters to let the state keep tax revenue from sports betting.
- Initially estimated at \$29 million annually, it could yield more.
- [Additional revenue would fund water conservation projects.](#)

Proposition KK - [Excise Tax on Guns and Ammunition](#) Educate

- Imposes a 6.5% excise tax on gun and ammunition sales.
- Tax funds victim support, mental health services, school safety, and violence prevention.

Proposition 127 - [Ban on Big Cat Sport Hunting](#) Educate

- Ends hunting seasons for mountain lions and bobcats.
- Prohibits lynx hunting (endangered species).
- Allows state-managed population control and protection of livestock.

Proposition 128 - [Parole Eligibility for Violent Crimes](#) Educate

- Requires violent offenders to serve at least 85% of their sentence before parole eligibility.
- Increases current threshold of 75%.
- Covers serious crimes like murder, sexual assault, and kidnapping.

Proposition 129 - [Veterinary Professional Associate Position](#) Educate

- Introduces a new mid-level veterinary professional role.
- Designed to address a shortage of affordable veterinary care.
- Opposed by veterinary professionals over training concerns.

Proposition 130 - [\\$350 Million for Law Enforcement](#) Educate

- Sets aside \$350 million from the state budget for law enforcement funding.
- Death benefits for officers and hiring/training grants for departments.
- Funds drawn from the existing state budget general fund.

Proposition 131 - [Primary Elections and Ranked-Choice Voting](#) Educate

- Replaces party primaries with a single primary for all candidates.
- Top four candidates advance to the general election.
- Implements ranked-choice voting for general elections.

LOCAL BALLOT ISSUES

AGC took positions on some local ballot issues and is educating members and voters on others

Colorado Springs

[Ballot Issue 2C](#)

Renew 0.57% sales tax for 10 years until December 31, 2035, to fund road repairs **Vote YES**

City & County of Denver

[Referred Question 2Q](#)

Increase sales tax by 0.34% (\$70M) to fund Denver Health **Vote YES**

[Referred Question 2R](#)

Increase sales tax by 0.50% (\$100M) to fund affordable housing **Educate**

[Referred Question 2S](#)

Amend City Charter to add Agency of Human Rights and Community Partnership **Educate**

[Referred Question 2T](#)

Amend City Charter to remove citizenship requirement for Police & Fire personnel **Educate**

[Referred Question 2U](#)

Amend City Charter to allow collective bargaining for city employees including boards, commissions and supervisory positions **Educate**

[Referred Question 2V](#)

Amend City Charter to allow for binding arbitration v. advisory fact-finding for fire fighter collective bargaining when impasse occurs **Educate**

[Referred Question 2W](#)

Amend City Charter to remove requirement that city council vote on elected officials salaries every 4 years **Educate**

[Initiated Ordinance 308](#)

Ban manufacture, distribution, display, sale, or trade of fur products **Educate**

[Initiated Ordinance 309](#)

Prohibit slaughterhouses (meat packing plants) in Denver **Educate**

Downtown Denver Development Authority Ballot Measure

[Ballot Question 6A](#)

\$570M Bond for downtown Denver development projects **Vote YES**

City of Lakewood

[Ballot Issue 2A](#)

Retain excess Tabor revenue (in a separate account) for one third parks & open space, one third for public safety & one third for roads. **Vote YES**

RTD Ballot Measure

[Ballot Question 7A](#)

Retain excess Tabor property & sales tax revenue for bus, light rail and commuter rail operations, safety and system maintenance **Vote YES**

SCHOOL BONDS

Colorado Springs

[Academy School District 20](#)

[\\$83.14M Bond](#) for Air Academy High School plus The Classical Academy & Summitt Charter School. With YES Vote D20 will receive matching \$191M DoD Grant. **Vote YES**

Denver Public Schools

[Ballot Question 4A](#)

[\\$975M Bond](#) for school building construction & maintenance **Vote YES**

Douglas County School Dist

[Ballot Issue 5A](#)

[\\$490M Bond](#) to build new schools and fund capital renewal & replacement. **Vote YES**

STATE LEGISLATURE CANDIDATES

AGC Colorado PAC has interviewed candidates for the State Legislature and has made PAC contributions to the following candidates:

Colorado State Senate

Senate District 2	Lisa Frizell	Senate District 18	Judy Amabile
Senate District 5	Marc Catlin	Senate District 19	Lindsey Daugherty
Senate District 6	Cleave Simpson	Senate District 21	Dafna Michaelson Jenet
Senate District 10	Larry Liston	Senate District 23	Barb Kirkmeyer
Senate District 12	Marc Snyder	Senate District 26	Jeff Bridges
Senate District 12	Stan VanderWerf	Senate District 29	Janet Buckner
Senate District 13	Scott Bright	Senate District 31	Chris Hansen
Senate District 16	Robyn Carnes	Senate District 33	James Coleman
Senate District 16	Christopher Kolker		

Colorado House of Representatives:

House District 4	Cecelia Espinoza	House District 37	Chad Clifford
House District 6	Sean Camacho	House District 38	Gretchen Rydin
House District 8	Lindsey Gilchrist	House District 40	Naquetta Ricks
House District 10	Junie Joseph	House District 42	Mandy Lindsay
House District 11	Karen McCormick	House District 43	Bob Marshall
House District 12	Kyle Brown	House District 44	Anthony Harstook
House District 13	Julie McCluskie	House District 45	Max Brooks
House District 14	Rose Pugliese	House District 46	Tisha Mauro
House District 16	Rebecca Keltie	House District 47	Ty Winter
House District 18	Amy Paschal	House District 48	Carlos Baron
House District 19	Dan Woog	House District 51	Ron Weinberg
House District 21	Mary Bradfield	House District 53	Andrew Boesenecker
House District 23	Monica Duran	House District 54	Matt Soper
House District 24	Lisa Feret	House District 55	Rick Taggart
House District 26	Meghan Lukens	House District 56	Chris Richardson
House District 27	Briana Titone	House District 57	Elizabeth Velasco
House District 29	Shannon Bird	House District 62	Matthew Martinez
House District 30	Rebekah Stewart	House District 63	Dusty Johnson
House District 31	Jacque Phillips	House District 64	Ryan Armagost
House District 33	William Lindstedt	House District 65	Lori Garcia Sander
House District 36	Michael Carter		