

ORDINANCE NO. 668-11

AN ORDINANCE TO SUBMIT TO A VOTE OF THE REGISTERED ELECTORS OF THE TOWN OF FOWLER, COLORADO AT A MUNICIPAL ELECTION ON APRIL 3, 2012, A QUESTION OF WHETHER TO INCREASE THE TOWN SALES AND USE TAX BY APPROXIMATELY ONE-HUNDRED-FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$104,000) PER YEAR BY INCREASING THE TOWN SALES AND USE TAX RATE FROM TWO PERCENT (2.00%) TO THREE PERCENT (3.00%) AND RESTRICTING THE USE OF THE ADDITIONAL ONE PERCENT SALES AND USE TAX EACH YEAR AS FOLLOWS: ONE-THIRD OF THE ADDITIONAL REVENUE (\$34,700) FOR RECREATION, ONE-THIRD OF THE ADDITIONAL REVENUE (\$34,700) FOR THE CEMETERY AND ONE-THIRD OF THE ADDITIONAL REVENUE (\$34,700) FOR THE LIBRARY.

WHEREAS, COLO. CONST. ART. X, SEC. 20(4) requires that any sales and use tax rate increase above that previously existing be approved by registered electors of the town of Fowler, Colorado; and

WHEREAS, the total town of Fowler sales and use tax rate is currently two percent; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees and the town cemetery committee desire to improve the cemetery and lack funds to further improve the cemetery without an additional regular source of revenue restricted for the cemetery; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees desire to provide additional and improved recreational opportunities for Fowler youths and adults and lack funds to provide additional and improved recreational opportunities without a regular source of revenue restricted for Fowler recreation; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees desires to provide additional and improved services at the public library and lack funds to provide additional and improved library services without a regular source of revenue restricted for library use; and

WHEREAS, Fowler recreational opportunities, the Fowler cemetery, and the Fowler library are often used by persons who do not reside in Fowler and a sales tax shifts part of the tax burden onto non-residents of the Town of Fowler

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN OF FOWLER, COLORADO BOARD OF TRUSTEES AS FOLLOWS:

The following question shall be submitted to a vote of the registered electorate of the Town of Fowler at the municipal election on April 3, 2012;

SALES AND USE TAX

"SHALL THE TOWN OF FOWLER, COLORADO SALES AND USE TAX BE INCREASED ANNUALLY BY APPROXIMATELY ONE-HUNDRED-FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$104,000) PER YEAR BY INCREASING THE TOWN SALES AND USE TAX RATE FROM TWO PERCENT (2.00%) TO THREE PERCENT (3.00%) AND RESTRICTING THE USE OF THE ADDITIONAL ONE PERCENT SALES AND USE TAX EACH YEAR AS FOLLOWS: ONE-THIRD OF THE ADDITIONAL REVENUE (APPROXIMATELY \$34,700) FOR RECREATION, ONE-THIRD OF THE ADDITIONAL REVENUE (APPROXIMATELY \$34,700) FOR THE CEMETERY AND ONE-THIRD OF THE ADDITIONAL REVENUE (APPROXIMATELY \$34,700) FOR THE LIBRARY.

YES ___ NO ___

The Town Clerk is authorized and directed to prepare and issue notice of such ballot question, as provided by law.

PASSED, ADOPTED, APPROVED AND ORDERED PUBLISHED the 12th day of December 2011.

By:

Pat Christensen, Mayor

ATTEST:

Town Clerk / Deputy Clerk