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Town of San Luis

November 2018 — FREE

What You Need to Know Before Voting on Amendment 74

You will be making an important decision on November 6. Amendment 74 will subject your hometown to unprecedented levels of legal exposure at the cost of the public's expense.

Amendment 74 is financed by certain out-of-state interests as a state constitutional amendment to strengthen "private property rights."

Amendment 74 is a thinly veiled attempt to protect special-interest profits at the expense of everyday Coloradans.

Amendment 74 will diminish your city or town's ability to provide basic services residents depend on at the taxpayers' expense.

Amendment 74 will undermine the ability of local governments to protect their residents and communities in vital areas such as: public

safety and crime reduction; clean air and water; preserving neighborhood integrity; transportation, sewer maintenance, and other critical infrastructure; trash collection; parks, recreation centers, and other neighborhood amenities.

IF amendment 74 passes, it will: hold your community liable simply for operating in the public interest; increase lawsuits and costly litigation—all financed by you, the taxpayer; increase the cost of government while simultaneously reducing essential municipal services; decrease the quality of life for all Coloradans—for the benefit of out-of-state special interests. And these are just a few examples of the implications.

For more information, visit the Colorado Municipal League's website at www.cml.org/ballot.

Election Day November 6, 2018

Costilla County Polls
are open from
7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.



Letter from the Mayor



San Luis is filled with citizens who hold a deep love for this community and I thank them wholeheartedly for electing me as their Mayor. It is my mission to act with integrity, compassion, and a deep sense of pride in our community as I and the newly elected board of trustees face the challenges ahead in helping San Luis become the best it can be. I look forward to the accomplishments we can achieve together.

It is my deepest hope that our citizens will help us along the way

as we seek to improve ways to make San Luis a great place to live. Our rich culture and history has a lot to offer us all and we share together a sense of pride in our community. A positive attitude is contagious and we want both citizens and visitors alike to feel the optimism and hospitality of the Oldest Town in Colorado—Where Colorado Began.

Please know my door is open to the citizens of San Luis. Please feel free to share your thoughts, your goals and your concerns with me, the rest of the Board of Trustees and the staff in Town Hall. Together, we will accomplish great things and we will continue on this path of making San Luis better. By honoring past traditions and forging new ones, we will show San Luis' true potential and willingness to thrive to those communities around us. The future is now and I hope you will join me on this exciting journey of growth for our town.

Tiffany Gallegos
San Luis Mayor

Manito Crismas



Join us for our annual San Luis Manito Crismas Celebration — December 8th, 2018

The Town of San Luis and Adelente San Luis will team up for the third annual San Luis Manito Crismas celebration the first weekend of December. In 2017 the town celebrated the tradition of “Oremos” a local tradition over 100 years old. For centuries, this winter tradition has been celebrated in the Hispanic villages of northern New Mexico and southern Colorado. Christmas morning and is known as Mis Crismes (My Christmas). Watch for posters around town for more details on times and locations for for the third annual San Luis Manito Christmas Celebration!

If you would like to participate or volunteer, please call Jessia Durgan at (719) 298-1261.

Need a Turkey for Thanksgiving?

The Town of San Luis is Sponsoring a Turkey Drawing!



Fill out this form and drop off at the Town Hall at 408 Main Street to be in a drawing to receive one of six turkeys. Drawing will take place Friday, November 16th at 10:00 am at the Town Hall. You do not need to be present to win. One entry per person. Must live within the town limits to enter drawing.

Name: _____

Physical Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Be in the Know!

Removal of Trees and Limbs from Public Right-of-Way

As stated in the San Luis Municipal Code, Section 7-6-20, it is the responsibility of property owners who own land adjacent to the public right-of-way to remove any trees or limbs located in or above the public right-of-way when such trees or limbs constitute a danger to public safety. Including trees and bushes that block the view of traffic and the view of stop signs, speed signs and other public road signs. Also, removal of trees and limbs which present a structural defect which may cause the tree or limb to fall on a person or on a property of value is included in this ordinance.

Please review your property to make sure your trees, shrubs and bushes are not obstructing traffic signs. If so, please trim back the foliage that is obstructing the sign. Lack of proper care of those trees, shrubs and bushes in the right-of-way are considered a nuisance and will be subject to Code Enforcement regulations and could result in possible fines.

Using Residential Property as a Junkyard

As stated in the San Luis Municipal Code, Section 7-2-160, All places within the town limits of San Luis, that are used or maintained as junkyards or dumping grounds, for the wrecking or disassembling of automobiles, trucks, tractors or machinery of any kinds, for the storing or leaving of worn out, unlicensed or uninsured wrecked or non-drivable automobiles, trucks, tractors, trailers, RVs, boats and house trailers, appliances or machinery of any kind, or of any parts thereof, or for the storing or leaving of any of the above machinery, which interferes with the comfortable enjoyment of life or property is declared to be nuisances.

If your property has any of the above you are in non-compliance of ordinance Section 7-2-160. Please review your property ASAP and remove any and all of items as stated above. Non-compliance of this can result in, fines and possible court judgments. For questions please visit or call Town Hall, 672-3321.



TOWN CLEAN-UP DAYS

The Town of San Luis is sponsoring Fall Dumpster Days on November 9, 10 & 11 for town residents to have a place to remove trash, branches, piles of wood and other rubbish from their yards. The dumpster will be placed at the town shop on the south end of town for residents to bring and dispose of their yard trash.

The town hopes all residents will make a concerted effort in cleaning up dried brush, wood and rubbish from their yards as a safety measure to prevent future fires. With the devastating Costilla County fire this summer, we can never be too careful in preventing another fire that may be close to home next summer, if the drought continues.

The dumpster will be on first come, first served basis and closed once the dumpster is full. Common household trash will not be allowed for dumping. This service free of charge.

No furniture or appliances allowed. NO TIRES allowed. Town residents only. The dumpster will be monitored. For questions please call Town Hall, 408 Main Street, 672-3321.

Let's all pitch in and make San Luis the best that it can be by cleaning up our yards.

Join Us!

Volunteers Needed

Are you interested in serving the Town of San Luis?

The Town is seeking friendly outgoing volunteers to work in the Welcome Center starting in the Spring of 2019 on Saturdays and Sundays.

A knowledge of local history and enjoyment of connecting with tourists are a must!

Town Meeting Dates

All Town meetings are open to the public. Please join us!

Work Session

Wednesday, Nov. 7, 2018
6:00 PM

Town Hall Meeting

Tuesday, Nov. 13th, 2018

San Luis Community Park Recreation Center

The Town of San Luis Board of Trustees is working diligently to find a way to build a Recreation Center on the Town's park property on 6th and Main Street. In past years, several attempts have been made to make the recreation center a reality. The biggest issue facing the town is sustainability. How will the day-to-day operation cost of the recreation center be met?

One of the options is to create a separate recreation district which would include raising the Mill Levy (raising local taxes) to cover the cost. This measure was attempted back in the 1990s and the measure did not pass. Understandably, folks don't want higher taxes. The question is--should this be attempted again?

The town is looking for citizen feedback on this subject. In the near future, the Town of San Luis is hoping to team up with other local agencies to help solve this problem. Currently, no formal agreements have been made with other agencies. The town is inviting citizens and local agencies to formally partner with the Town to solve this problem. To date, the Town is the only organization focused on this issue.

Be sure and join us on Friday, November 9th, 2018 at 6:30 pm at

the Town Hall to review and discuss the second phase of the Feasibility Study to build a Recreation Center in the Town of San Luis. The Town of San Luis, through a grant from the Colorado Department of Local Affairs, has contracted with the University of Colorado's University Technical Assistance Field Supervisor, Jeff Woods, and students from the Colorado Center for Community Development, University of Colorado Denver, College of Architecture and Planning to help the Town of San Luis create a plan to make the Recreation Center a reality for its citizens.

The first phase meeting was held August 9th, 2018 at the Centennial School, where around 30 citizens showed up to discuss the best placement of the Recreation Center. The consensus was, the Recreation Center would best serve the community at the San Luis Community Park on 6th and Main Street. Armed with that information, Jeff Woods, and his team of students, went to work on creating schematics of how the Recreation Center would fit and work on the San Luis Community Park Property. Come join us on Friday, November 9th at 6:30 pm to review the results and give your input. For questions call Town Hall at 672-3321.



NOTICE OF PROPOSED BUDGET

(Pursuant to 29 -106, C.R.S.)

NOTICE is hereby given that a proposed budget has been submitted to the SAN LUIS TOWN BOARD for the ensuing year of 2019.

A copy of proposed budget has been filed in the office of SAN LUIS TOWN CLERK, where same is open for public inspection. Such proposed budget will be considered at the REGULAR MEETING of the SAN LUIS TOWN TRUSTEES, to be held at the TOWN HALL, 408 MAIN STREET, SAN LUIS, COLORADO on December 11, 2018, at 6:00 P.M.

Any interested elector of SAN LUIS may inspect the proposed budget and file or register any objection(s), thereto, at any time prior to final adoption of the budget.

OCTOBER 11, 2018

Susan Sanderford
Town Manager

Don't Forget!

**Business License Renewals for 2019 are due
by January 1st, 2019.**

Avoid paying a late fee and pay early!!!