

PRESS RELEASE

Designation of Voter Service and Polling Center

Pursuant to 1-5-102.9 (1)(a)(IV) C.R.S., Washington County Clerk and Recorder Annie Kuntz is seeking written comments from residents of Washington County regarding the designation of a voter service and polling center for the 2022 General Election. C.R.S. 1-5-102.9(1)(a)(IV) requires a County Clerk and recorder to solicit public comment concerning the location of voter service and polling centers for General Election.

“In designating voter service and polling center locations, each County Clerk and Recorder shall consider the following factors to address the needs of the county:

1. Proximity of public transportation lines and availability of parking;
2. Geographic features, such as mountain passes, that tend to affect access and convenience;
3. Equitable distribution across the county so as to afford maximally convenient options for electors;
4. The existence and location of population centers;
5. Access for persons with disabilities;
6. Use of existing voting locations that typically serve a significant number of electors;
7. Use of public buildings that are known to electors in the county, especially to the extent that using such buildings results in cost savings compared to other potential locations;
8. When private locations are considered or designated as voter service and polling centers in accordance with Section 1-5-105 (3), methods and standards to ensure the security of voting conducted at such locations.

Counties with fewer than ten thousand (10,000) active electors, as that term is described in Section 1-5-102.9 (1)(a) for general elections, each County Clerk and Recorder shall designate a minimum number of voter service and polling centers, as follows:

- 1-5-102.9 (A); During the period designated for early voting, at least one voter service and polling center which will be:
 1. Washington County Clerk and Recorder’s office 150 Ash Ave., Akron, Colorado 80720

Clerk Kuntz has designated the Washington County Courthouse as the Early Voter Service and Polling Center for Washington County for the following reasons:

1. It is the most centrally located area benefitting all registered voters.
2. Accessibility for persons with disabilities is available.
3. It is currently used as the voting location for early voting, which typically serves a significant number of electors
4. The fact that it is a public building known and utilized by most electors in the county.

5. Compared to other potential locations, it is the most cost effective.

Clerk Kuntz has designated the Washington County Courthouse for Election Day Voter Service and Polling Centers for the following reasons:

1. It is a centrally located area benefitting the greatest number of registered electors in the county.
2. Accessibility for persons with disabilities is available.
3. The fact that the building is a public building known and utilized by most electors in the county.
4. Compared to other potential locations, it is the most cost effective.

Residents may submit written comments to: Annie Kuntz, Washington County Clerk and Recorder, 150 Ash Ave., P.O. Box L, Akron, Colorado 80720 between March 3rd, 2022 and June 11th, 2022 by 4:30p.m. Comments can also be sent via e-mail to akuntz@co.washington.co.us