

CITY OF LITTLETON, COLORADO

CC Ordinance No. 14

Series, 2025

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LITTLETON, COLORADO, REFERRING A BALLOT QUESTION TO THE REGISTERED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF LITTLETON AMENDING THE CITY CHARTER BY ADDING SEC. 65.5 REGARDING PRESERVATION OF NEIGHBORHOOD LAND USE RESTRICTIONS PERTAINING TO LAND USES CURRENTLY SPECIFIED IN THE ULUC AS OF JANUARY 1, 2025 AND EXPANDED NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

WHEREAS, in May 2025, the city clerk’s office received a statement of intent to circulate a petition to amend the city charter by adding a new section 65.5 regarding neighborhood land use and notification requirements; and

WHEREAS, on May 13, the city clerk certified a final version of the petition for circulation; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Municipal Home Rule Act, C.R.S. §§ 31-2-201, et seq. (the “Act”) the city clerk is certifying to city council that the petition is valid and sufficient; and

WHEREAS, the Act requires the city council to set the ballot title, as referred by the city clerk, at its next meeting following certification of the petition by the city clerk; and

WHEREAS, the city council desires to set the ballot title for the proposed charter amendment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF LITTLETON, COLORADO, THAT:

Section 1: City council hereby sets the following ballot title for the November 4, 2025 regular coordinated election for the proposed charter amendment:

SHALL THE LITTLETON CITY CHARTER BE AMENDED TO INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING NEW SECTION:

SECTION 65.5 PRESERVATION OF NEIGHBORHOOD LAND USE RESTRICTIONS:

TO PRESERVE SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL LAND USE AND ENSURE THAT CURRENT AND FUTURE OWNERS OF PROPERTY IN CERTAIN RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICTS MAY RELY ON RESTRICTIONS ON LAND USES THAT PROTECT THEIR PROPERTIES. ACCORDINGLY, LAND USES OF PROPERTIES PRESENTLY PERMITTED

47 UNDER THE LITTLETON UNIFIED LAND USE CODE (ULUC) WITHIN ZONING
48 DISTRICTS SMALL LOT RESIDENTIAL (SLR), MEDIUM LOT RESIDENTIAL (MLR),
49 LARGE LOT RESIDENTIAL (LLR), AND ACREAGE RESIDENTIAL (ACR) ARE LIMITED
50 TO USES SPECIFIED THEREIN AS OF JANUARY 1, 2025. FURTHERMORE, ANY ACTION
51 BY COUNCIL TO INITIATE ANY COMPREHENSIVE REZONING AND OFFICIAL
52 ZONING MAP AMENDMENTS, INCLUDING TEXT CHANGES, SHALL FIRST REQUIRE
53 NOTIFICATION TO ALL AFFECTED PROPERTY OWNERS BY FIRST CLASS MAIL
54 DELIVERED BY THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE. NOTHING HEREIN SHALL
55 PROHIBIT OR PREVENT A PROPERTY OWNER FROM SEEKING REZONING OF THE
56 OWNER'S PROPERTY."

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58 ☐Yes

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60 ☐No

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63 **Section 2:** The city council hereby authorizes and directs the officers of the city to certify
64 on or before September 5 the ballot title in substantially the form set forth in Section 1 to the
65 County Clerks in Arapahoe, Jefferson, and Douglas counties. Such ballot title shall be submitted
66 to the eligible electors of the city at the November 4, 2025 regular coordinated election.

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68 **Section 3:** The city clerk is hereby directed to provide notice of the election in conformance
69 with the Act.

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71 **Section 4:** Severability. If any part, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of
72 this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the validity of
73 the remaining sections of this ordinance. The city council hereby declares that it would have
74 passed this ordinance, including each part, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase hereof,
75 irrespective of the fact that one or more parts, sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases
76 may be declared invalid.

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78 **Section 5:** Repealer. All ordinances or resolutions, or parts thereof, in conflict with
79 this ordinance are hereby repealed, provided that this repealer shall not repeal the repealer clauses
80 of such ordinance nor revive any ordinance thereby.

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82 INTRODUCED AS A BILL at a regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council
83 of the City of Littleton on the 19th day of August 2025, passed on first reading by a vote of 7
84 FOR and 0 AGAINST; and ordered published by posting at Littleton Center, Bemis Library,
85 the Municipal Courthouse and on the City of Littleton Website.

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87 PUBLIC HEARING on the Ordinance to take place on the 2nd day of September,
88 2025, in the Council Chamber, Littleton Center, 2255 West Berry Avenue, Littleton, Colorado,
89 at the hour of 6:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as it may be heard.

90 PASSED on second and final reading, following public hearing, by a vote of
91 FOR and ____ AGAINST on the 2nd day of September, 2025 and ordered published by posting at
92 Littleton Center, Bemis Library, the Municipal Courthouse and on the City of Littleton Website.

93 ATTEST:

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96 Colleen L. Norton
97 CITY CLERK

Kyle Schlachter
MAYOR

98 APPROVED AS TO FORM:
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102 Reid Betzing
103 CITY ATTORNEY

