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- Special Edition: Candidates 2025 -



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-BREAKING-

President Trump: "I am going to lead a movement to get rid of MAIL-IN BALLOTS, and also, while we're at it, Highly 'Inaccurate,' Very Expensive, and Seriously Controversial VOTING MACHINES..." See more analysis below....

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Candidate Focus

While the local elections in November are "non-partisan" since candidates aren't identified with a specific party, we certainly want to promote the candidates in our party. In some races without Republicans we may suggest like-minded candidates who could help Republicans build a coalition.

For this issue, Republican candidates were invited to give their "why" on running for office, their contact information, and positions on some conservative issues. Not all the information fits here, and some candidates are still adding information, so keep checking [our website](#) for more information and the latest updates.

AURORA

City Council Ward 2 - Steve Sundberg



I ran for City Council in self defense of my livelihood. A majority of far left people gained control of our council, with a lack of appreciation and understanding of business.

Supports school choice and federal efforts to remove illegal criminals.

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Yard signs available!



City Council Ward 3 - Marsha Berzins



I am running again for City Council because I love Aurora and want to do whatever I can to make it a safer place for our families, an affordable city with attainable housing, and help bring in good jobs to create economic stability. Aurora must be accountable and responsive to all citizens no matter their background, language or diversity.

Contact:

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How to help: walk, make phone calls, GOTV volunteers, put out yard signs.

Donate at MarshaBerzins.com or checks sent to:

Marsha for City Council

PO Box 471293

Aurora, CO 80047



City Council At Large - Amsalu Kassaw



I serve as an At-Large Member of the Aurora City Council. My priorities are centered around three key pillars:

- Connecting our diverse communities across cultures and backgrounds.
- Protecting public safety to ensure every family feels safe and secure.
- Creating economic opportunity by supporting small businesses and fostering growth.

Together, we are building a better tomorrow for all.

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City Council At Large - Danielle Jurinsky



I am running for re-election in Aurora because it is my hometown, where I own businesses, and where I am raising my son. We currently hold a SUPER Republican majority, and I intend to keep it that way. I believe in Freedom, Capitalism, and the Constitution. I support School Choice. I have been a registered Republican since I became old enough to vote.

Not only do I support, I welcome all Federal efforts to remove criminal illegals from the city of Aurora. I am the one who blew the whistle on Tren de Aragua.

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School Board - Nino Pepper



Top priorities:

1. Putting Aurora parents first - I will fight to ensure parents have the final say in their child's education. Schools should partner with families, not replace them.
2. Back-to-basics learning - Hands-on training with increased CTE awareness, including apprenticeship opportunities for students.
3. School safety and discipline - Safe schools are successful schools. I will advocate for clear behavioral standards, support for teachers, and strong protections for all students.
4. School choice - Every family deserves the freedom to choose the best education for their child — whether that's a public, charter, private, or home-based school. I will fight for policies that empower families.

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CENTENNIAL

Mayor - Don Sheehan



I have served on Centennial's City Council for six years, representing District 4. I am currently running for mayor to replace the term-limited Stephanie Piko, who endorses my candidacy.

My primary focus is the safety of our neighborhoods, schools, and businesses. I will collaborate closely with our first responders, supporting their efforts to attract top talent, maintain high levels of certification and accreditation, and invest in essential resources to ensure our community remains safe.

Local government is best equipped to make decisions regarding our neighborhoods and our city. I will defend our right to make choices that benefit Centennial.

Contact:

DonForCentennial.com

Don@DonForCentennial.com

How you can help: A successful campaign requires a substantial amount of resources. Donations are welcome. We need volunteers to walk in your neighborhood and deliver literature. I greatly appreciate your help.



City Council District 1 - Robyn Carnes



I have a passion for community service and helping others, which led me to run for Centennial City Council in 2021. Working in a non-partisan environment, I sought collaboration with community and colleagues to be responsive to resident needs and hope to continue my legacy of service to Centennial for a second term. As Centennial prepares for both its 25th birthday and a significant election cycle, with 5 of 9 seats opening, I see myself as a trusted leader who's experienced, predictable, stable and works well with others.

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Donate: [online](#) or checks sent to:

Friends of Robyn Carnes

2356 E. Mineral Ave.

Centennial, CO 80122



City Council District 2 - Carrie Penaloza



I am a Colorado native and have lived in Centennial for 20 years. My husband Rich and I raised our 2 daughters here. We have benefited greatly from the community, the schools, our neighborhood, living in a safe place with many amenities and I am committed to giving back by serving on council. I was on Council from 2016-2020 but did not run for re-election at that time because of family needs.

My top priorities are keeping Centennial safe, fiscally sound, and defending our home rule status.

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City Council District 3 - Patty McKernan



I would like to keep Centennial a great place to live. It was founded by people who wanted to protect our way of life, and with all the cultural shifts in Colorado, I hope to maintain the effective and functional city that we enjoy today. There will be a lot of pressures for Centennial to move toward the policies of Denver, but I don't think that is what our citizens desire. I will always look at the proper role of government when making decisions. I will always look at those who come to the Council with an "ask" with a filter of "is it the proper role of government". I look at citizens' taxes as a protected and precious commodity - to be used only in a manner that sustains the good of the community.

Contact:

Candidate website still to come



City Council District 4 - Jeffrey Gilliam



Top Priorities:

Continued economic well-being of our city which
1. includes transparency.

Safety and security as a hallmark of our
2. uniqueness.

Continued recognition of the great value of
Centennial as a Home Rule city in regards to
3. decisions made that affect us locally.

Contact:

Candidate website still to come

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ENGLEWOOD

Mayor - Rita Russell



I am running for Mayor of Englewood to restore respect for our citizens and business owners. My goal is to bring stability and leadership to City Council. I am committed to being a servant to the public, to uphold the Constitution of the United States and our City Charter and to represent the needs and rights of the citizens of Englewood.

Top priorities: public safety, over-densification, and infrastructure.

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How you can help: Pray, contribute, walk a precinct, make phone calls, write a letter to the editor



City Council District 4 - Kim Wright



“Wright for Englewood, Wright for the People”
I love this city and I am running to:

- Protect our neighborhoods from overdevelopment (developer's dream = resident's nightmare!)
- Fix inadequate infrastructure (sewer/storm drains, police, road repair, etc.) for current population
- Keep government open and transparent with responsible budgeting (community involvement from start to finish, before money is spent)
- Keep Englewood judges ELECTED so judges are the citizens' choice, not the council's.
- Protect self government (home rule)

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Donate: on the website or by phone 303-222-7129

LITTLETON

Mayor - Patrick Driscoll



As a Littleton City Council member from 2017 to 2024, I fought for transparency, responsible growth, and policies that protect what makes our city unique. Now, as I run for Mayor, I'm focused on ensuring that Littleton remains a welcoming, thriving community for generations to come.

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City Council District 3 - Curt Samuelson



I would like to see Littleton maintain its small-town charm throughout the many changes it will experience in the coming years. I have lived in Littleton for over 30 years and over this time it has always been a charming, historic and welcoming city. I want to hold onto those feelings even as we make the necessary changes to housing, roads and infrastructure. I believe we can continue to be a city where young people want to live and where mature citizens can continue to thrive.

Yes on school choice, although city council has little impact on this issue.

Yes, on removing criminal aliens. We need a national immigration policy that addresses the issue of non-residents living here.

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End of Mail-In Voting

What's wrong with mail-in ballots:

- No chain of custody - you don't know who received the ballot
- You also don't know whether the person who signed it filled it out
- No guarantee of a secret ballot - someone could watch the voter vote

- Do not fit the C.R.S. definition of a ballot because it's not possible to be sure the person who filled it out was eligible

Analysis of President Trump's statement on mail-in voting:

[Shawn Smith](#) "This is the most important act and objective of POTUS' administration. With it, all is possible. Without it, every other effort is transient."

[Seth Keshel](#) "President Donald Trump took to Truth Social to tell us how he really feels about mail-in voting"

[Ada Nestor](#) "And yet, the grassroots never gave up. We kept showing up at meetings, pressing the issue on local radio, organizing town halls, and building awareness at the community level. While leadership was counting consulting dollars, the base was counting the cost of losing their elections, and their country."

[Emerald Robinson](#) "Democrats should be applauding this as well."

[Patrick Byrne](#): (20 minutes in) "[The bad guys] have been manipulating elections for 20 years in 72 nations."

The [Babylon Bee](#) on mail-in voting: "Democrats alleged that any move to ban mail-in ballots would disenfranchise millions of dead people who vote Democrat in every American election."

Another angle: check out [this case](#) filed in Colorado a few days ago attacking election fraud in voter registrations: Kevin Lundberg says, "The remedy recommended is simple to describe but will be difficult (yet essential) to accomplish: [follow the law for the 2026 election](#)."

France banned mail-in voting in 1975
– due to fraud

Mexico banned mail-in voting in 1992
– due to fraud

Belgium banned mail-in voting in
2018 – due to fraud.

Sweden does not permit mail-in
voting.

Italy does not permit mail-in voting.

Ukraine does not permit mail-in
voting.

Russia does not permit mail-in voting.

Japan does not permit mail-in voting.

No middle eastern country permits
mail-in voting.

No Latin country permits mail-in
voting.



Special Session and Petitions

Rep. Brandi Bradley on **Colorado Special Session** beginning Thursday August 21st: Polis plans to protect Planned Parenthood funding, expand SNAP benefits, and rush AI regulations. Bradley, however, is presenting a bill to prohibit Medicaid spending on abortion and gender procedures, stop funding medical services for unlawful residents, and redirect Medicaid money back to its core services. She asks for citizen involvement supporting her bill; text her team for more info at 303-263-4775.

Watch what happens with [special session bills](#) at this link.

[Protect Kids Colorado](#) petitions starting up!

Contact the Jurinsky campaign to sign or carry [petitions to recall](#) 18th JD DA Amy Padden, who puts criminals over victims.

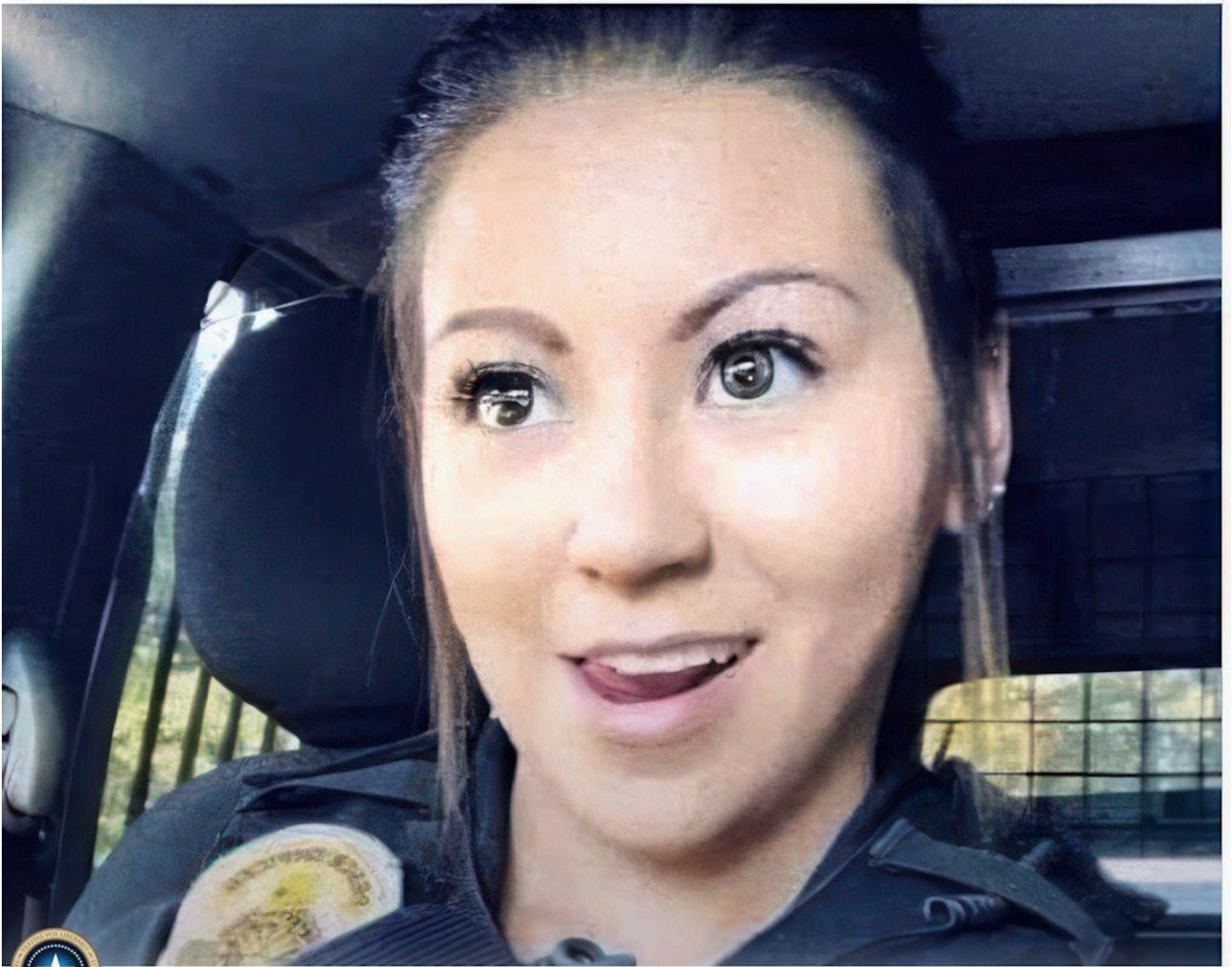


Tina Peters

[Two more weeks](#) for Tina Peters even to get to the next step, as Phil Weiser's office insists she should be in prison even while her case is appealed because the federal government shouldn't interfere in Colorado matters (Colorado matters such as a federal election???) But President Trump has [thoughts](#).



When Sanctuary City cops hear ICE is offering a \$50,000 signing bonus



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I-70 Corridor Happenings

a new column focusing on the eastern plains!

The I-70 Corridor Chamber of Commerce has been serving the I-70 Corridor, specifically the areas of Watkins, Bennett, Strasburg, Byers and Deer Trail/Agate since 1992. We are committed to the support of small business in our area. There are 11 volunteers on the Chamber's Board of Directors including one person for each community.

We hold monthly Lunch & Learn presentations obtaining speakers/presenters to inform our members and community on issues that concern the I-70 Corridor, Eastern Adams and Arapahoe Counties, and Colorado. We have an average of 40 people that attend these sessions. Our next Lunch & Learn, featuring two managers from CORE Electric Cooperative, will be November 19, at 11:30 AM at May Farms, in Byers.

The Chambers hosts several public events all year. Our overall concerns are the promotion of our members' businesses. We have Bennett Days coming up on September 6, a 5K walk/run in Byers on September 28, Small Business Saturday at the Bennett Recreation Center, November 29. We invite you to attend any of these events, there is no cost.

Our website is www.i70ccoc.com, Contact us at officei70ccoc@gmail.com, 720-731-1954.

Becky Zierer, President



Tools for Involvement

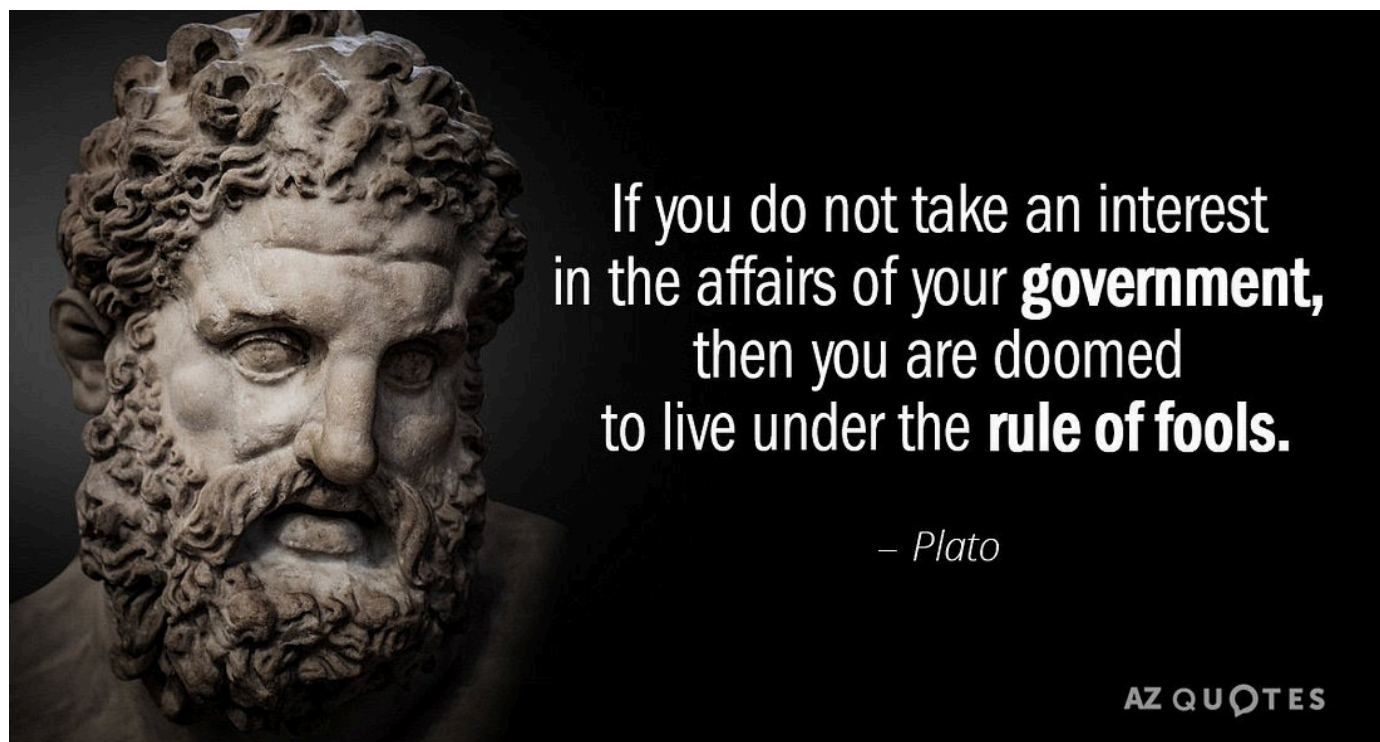
(Operation and Maintenance of Your Party and Your Country)

Party leaders (district captains, precinct leaders) can find the latest events, training, and other information on the [portal of the county Republican website](#). [Contact](#) the party for the password, or to become a leader!

Find your precinct and voter ID at the [Colorado Secretary of State voter registration website](#). If you don't know who your precinct leader is, or you don't have one and you want to become one, please [contact ACGOP](#). Look up the boundaries of your precinct on Arapahoe County's "[ArapaMap](#)".

While the legislature is not in session, prepare yourself for next year to track which [horrible bills](#) are in play, and respond with the [BillBlasterApp](#), a "simple, efficient way to engage with elected officials and effect change in our communities and beyond."

Want to protect our Constitution, but don't know how to run for office? Learn how to operate our government, for instance from [this organization](#), and notify the [Arapahoe Chair](#) so we can get your name and face out there!



Improve Your Community

Your biggest contribution is not your vote, but your involvement. You will have the most effect if you start at your local level. Begin today by attending public meetings regularly – you will learn who the people are, whom to trust, and what motivates them. Don't get overwhelmed by the number of meetings – in many areas you could attend all the meetings up through the county level for an average time-investment of just six hours a month! If you have nothing to say, listen – you'll almost certainly find something to say soon!

Cities and Towns of Arapahoe County

What does your city council do all day? Is your city free of fraud, waste, and abuse? How do they vote on local issues you care about? Did you know that your local council is a springboard to state or national office? See what your city is up to and get to know who is on your council by watching council meetings.

Meeting info for Arapahoe cities

and towns

School Boards of Arapahoe County

This year is a school board election! What better time to get to know who is making decisions about the daily activities of all the local students? You don't have to have children to be interested in what the school board does - just an interest in what's happening with the next generation! Remember, new Republicans graduate from the school system every year.

Meeting info for Arapahoe

school boards



Arapahoe County Republican Party

- Upcoming Events -

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ACGOP Executive Committee (ExComm) Meetings

The next ExComm meetings will be August 25th and September 20th. ExComm voting members include county officers and district captains. Precinct leaders, although not ExComm voting members, are welcome to attend and may address the meeting during the open forum. The meetings are livestreamed and recorded.

The September 20th ExComm meeting will be held with the Central Committee (CentComm) meeting which has been called to vote on the bylaws, at 12310 E. Parkview Dr. Aurora 80011. For the CentComm meeting, voting members include precinct leaders, district captains, county party officers, and elected officials within the county. Please refer to the Central Committee Meeting Call for more information.

September 27th is the State Central Committee meeting - voting members include county officers and county bonus members.

October 1st is the Lincoln Day Dinner Evening Reception with the actual dinner on October 2nd. The October ExComm meeting will be October 22nd, and the November ExComm meeting November 19th.

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Look for the autumn ACGOP newsletter to come out in October. If you have information Arapahoe Republicans need to know, please send it in!

Party leaders, of course, need more frequent updates, so we send out shorter update emails biweekly to district captains and precinct leaders. If you are neither of these but want more information, ask your local leader to forward the updates to you. If you don't know yours, or don't have a local precinct leader or district captain, [contact ACGOP](#); maybe you can become the local leader (other benefits include being a voting member of biennial ACGOP Central Committee meetings and access to the ACGOP portal with all kinds of resources such as the calendar, precinct wall map, bylaws, meeting agendas/minutes, and much more.)



Our website is being updated! The big, beautiful, new version is out there, and the bugs are being worked out. Explore the new site and find all the new resources!

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