

## **Keystone Voters Decided in March**

# **Keystone IS Becoming an Incorporated Town in Colorado**

The only choice is WHETHER it will be

A Home Rule Town with Autonomy and Flexibility
OR
A Statutory Town Which Must Follow
State Legislature Dictated Statutes

Approving the Charter Makes Keystone a Home Rule Town

# The Town of Keystone

### CHARTER VOTE September 26, 2023

#### **BALLOTS ARE IN THE MAIL**



Approve the proposed Town Charter written by a 9-member Charter Commission elected by Keystone's voters

#### KEYSTONE'S CHARTER

- Colorado requires Home Rule Towns to have a voter approved Charter (town constitution)
- The Charter must be approved to move on to the next step to elect a town council, assume control from the County.
- The Charter is tailored to meet Keystone's unique needs; it maintains local control and ensures everyone in Keystone can participate and have a voice.

#### **GOVERNMENT STRUCTURE**

- A Council-Manager form of government (like Dillon, Silverthorne, Frisco, Breckenridge)
- A Town Council responsible for town policy and ordinances:
  - · 6 elected Town Council Members and a Mayor
  - · Must be Keystone residents for at least one year
  - · Elected to 4-year, staggered terms, 2-year term limits
  - Elections held first Tuesday of April in even number years
- Salaried Town Manager, appointed by, and responsible to the Town Council, who hires town staff and manages town operations, finances and services
- Voters must be Keystone residents

#### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- In-person town meetings with remote access
- Boards and Commissions, appointed by the Town Council, are open to anyone in Keystone
- Planning and Zoning Commission must have a majority membership of Keystone residents, ensuring local control and protection



Voters must approve tax increases or changes



Anyone, voter/ nonvoter, can initiate petitions for change and call for a vote - recall, referendum, initiative.



Sept. 12th in the Keystone Center 6PM

Questions

Elections

Transition

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