## **RESOLUTION NO. 24-09**

## RATTLESNAKE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT ELECTION RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS,** the term of office of Directors James White, John Bonner and Linda Krausert shall expire after their successors are elected at the Regular Special District election ("Election") to be held on Tuesday, May 6, 2025, and take office; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the provisions of the Colorado Special District Act, Part 8 of Article 1, Title 32, C.R.S., as amended (the "Act") and the and the Colorado Uniform Election Code of 1992, Article 1, Title 1, *et seq.*, C.R.S., as amended (the "Election Code"), the election must be conducted to elect three (3) Directors to serve for a term of four (4) years.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** be it resolved by the Board of Directors of the Rattlesnake Fire Protection District ("District") in Elbert County, State of Colorado, that:

**1.** <u>Election Date and Time</u>. The regular election of the eligible electors of the District shall be held on *Tuesday, May 6, 2025, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.,* pursuant to and in accordance with the Act, the Election Code and all other applicable laws and regulations. At that time, three (3) Directors to serve for a term of four (4) years.

2. <u>Polling Place</u>. The District shall consist of one (1) election precinct for the convenience of the eligible electors of District, the boundaries of which are identical to the boundaries of the District, and there shall be one polling place at the following location:

District Training Facility, 46200 Coal Creek Drive, Parker, CO, 80138,

situated in Elbert County, State of Colorado. This polling place shall also be the polling place for disabled electors and for eligible electors not residing within the District. If the Designated Election Official deems it to be more expedient for the convenience of the eligible electors of District (who are also eligible electors in other special districts with overlapping boundaries which are conducting elections on Election Day), the Election may be held jointly with such special districts in accordance with coordinated election procedures as set forth in an agreement between all participating special districts. In such event, the election precincts and polling places shall be as set forth in such agreement. The Designated Election Official is authorized to execute such agreement on behalf of the District, which agreement shall include provisions for the allocation of responsibilities for the conduct and reasonable sharing of costs of the coordinated Election.

3. <u>Designated Election Official</u>. Lloyd Standard shall be the Designated Election Official and Aaron Craigie shall be the Deputy Designated Election Official on behalf of District and each is hereby authorized and directed to proceed with any action necessary or appropriate to effectuate the provisions of this Resolution and of the Act, Code, or other applicable laws. The Election shall be conducted in accordance with the Act, Code, and other applicable laws. Among other matters, the Designated Election Official shall appoint election judges as necessary, appoint the Board of Canvassers, arrange for the required notices of election and printing of ballots, and direct that all other appropriate actions be accomplished.

4. <u>Absentee Ballots</u>. Applications for absentee ballots may be filed with the Designated Election Official by mailing to: District Training Facility, 46200 Coal Creek Drive, Parker, CO, 80138, not earlier than Monday, January 6, 2025 nor later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 29, 2025. The Designated Election Official shall otherwise make provisions for mailing out absentee ballots to all parties who elect to vote using permanent absentee ballot status as established by the Elbert County Election Office. The absentee ballot shall be returned no later than 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 6, 2025.

5. <u>Emergency Absentee Voting</u>. If an eligible elector is confined in a hospital or place of residence on election day and the confinement occurred because of conditions arising on or after Wednesday, April 30, 2025 to apply for an absentee ballot, the elector may request in a personally signed written statement transmitted by a personally authorized representative that the Designated Election Official send a mail-in ballot with the word "EMERGENCY" stamped or written on the stubs. The emergency absentee ballot shall be returned no later than 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 6, 2025.

6. <u>Cancellation of Election</u>. If the only matter before the electors is the election of persons to the office of Director, and if at the close of business on *Tuesday, March 4, 2025*, there are not more candidates than offices to be filled at said election, including those candidates filing Affidavits of Intent to run as a write-in candidate, the Designated Election Official is hereby authorized to and shall cancel the election and the Board, by resolution, shall declare the candidates elected. Notice of such cancellation of election shall be duly published and posted in accordance with the Act and the Election Code.

7. <u>Self-Nomination Petitions, Write-Ins</u>. Self-Nomination and Acceptance petitions are available at the Designated Election Official's office at the above-described location. All candidates must file such Self Nomination Petition with the Designated Election Official not later than 5:00 p.m., *Friday, February 28, 2025.* Any person who misses such deadline, but desires to become a write-in candidate for the office of Director, shall file an Affidavit of Intent with the Designated Election Official not later than 5:00 p.m., *Monday, March 3, 2025.* 

8. <u>Severability</u>. If any part or provision of this Resolution is adjudged to be unenforceable or invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remaining provisions of this Resolution, it being the Board's intention that the various provisions hereof are severable.

**9.** <u>**Repealer**</u>. All acts, orders, and resolutions, or parts thereof, of the Board which are inconsistent or in conflict with this Resolution are hereby repealed to the extent only of such inconsistency or conflict.

10. <u>Effective Date</u>. The provisions of this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of December, 2024.

## **RATTLESNAKE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

By:\_

President

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