

Board of County Commissioners

RESOLUTION 2023-082

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF NEDERLAND ECOPASS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT 6

WHEREAS, the Boulder County Commissioners support Nederland EcoPass Public Improvement District Issue 6, the intent of which is to extend for ten years the District's existing ad valorem property tax mill levy imposed at a rate not to exceed 1.85 mills for the purposes of paying the costs of providing a Regional Transportation District EcoPass to all District residents, and to seek elector authorization for the District to administer an EcoPass program for non-resident employees of employers operating within the District; and

WHEREAS, in November 2013, voters within the Town of Nederland and outlying areas approved formation of a Public Improvement District (PID) with the intention to provide an EcoPass at no cost for all permanent residents in the district and, if funding permitted, to create transportation related amenities; and

WHEREAS, starting in 2014, this program created an additional 1.85 property tax mill levy to fund the district for a period of 10 years; and

WHEREAS, the existing program provides an RTD EcoPass to all residents of the Nederland EcoPass District, which allows unlimited trips on all RTD services, including the NB, SKIP, Flatiron Flyer and the AB (airport bus); and

WHEREAS, since the program only has 1-2 years worth of operating expenses in reserve, the Nederland EcoPass program will end if the property tax extension is not approved through the ballot measure; and

WHEREAS, if the ballot measure is approved by voters, the District would be able to offer an employee EcoPass program for workers employed in the District and to collect user fees from employers and/or employees if needed; and

WHEREAS, adding an employee EcoPass program for workers was supported by Nederland area residents, employees, and business owners in surveys conducted in summer 2023; and

WHEREAS, extending the Nederland EcoPass Public Improvement District mill levy would support several goals identified in the Boulder County Transportation Master Plan –

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including minimizing environmental impacts of the transportation system and ensuring equitable access to the transportation system.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Boulder County Commissioners support Nederland EcoPass Public Improvement District Issue 6 and urge voters to vote yes on November 7.

Adopted this 19th day of September 2023.

Claire Levy
Commissioner

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