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**Property Taxes**

Property tax increases are limited to the lesser of (1) 5.5%, plus an allowance for new construction; or (2) 0.6 mills (1/10 of a mill) in the Tabor OR mill levy limit of 23.25 mills is reached. The tax levy is set by the Board of County Commissioners; however, it cannot be increased without approval of the electorate. The reversion budget reflects net property tax, which is the total levied minus 1% uncollectibles ($312,630,985 - $3,126,305 = $309,504,680). The property tax budget is based on the 11/28/2006 assessed valuation of $5,013,146,566.

**Intergovernmental**

These revenues are primarily Federal and State pass through monies for social service programs, state shared monies for roads, state lottery proceeds, other various government programs, and grant programs.

**Other Revenues**

Major “other revenues” include bond proceeds, sales taxes, specific ownership taxes, motor vehicle fees, recording and filing fees, Treasurer’s fees, building permits, interest earnings, various other fees, rents, and charges for services.

**Use of Fund Balance**

The most significant use of fund balance, over $16.9 million, is from the Open Space Fund. The Social Services Fund, Recycling Tax Fund, Fire Training Centers Fund, Conservation Trust Fund and Worthy Cause Fund, will also use a significant portion of their available fund balance in the 2007 budget.

**Boulder County Expenditures**

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**Major Changes between 2006 and 2007 Budgets include:**

- Boulder County’s approved 2007 budget continues to be influenced by the passage of 2005 ballot issue 1A that allows for the retention of property tax revenues collected in excess of the TABOR limitations on fiscal year revenues and spending. The voters approved this ballot issue in the November 2005 election. Ballot issue 1A allows the property tax mill levy rate to grow by no more than 0.6 mills annually until it reaches the TABOR allowed maximum of 23.745 mills.
- Ballot issue 2009 - 1A designated certain uses for the property tax revenues received in excess of the base year 2005 property tax revenues. In compliance with those designations the 2007 budget appropriated the following increases: Public safety services received 30%, health and human services received 20% with 3% of that amount going to non-profit organizations, and sustainable and renewable energy programs received 6.67%.
- The 2007 allocations to non-profit agencies and the Mental Health Center increased as required by 2005 ballot issue 1A. Seven new non-profit agencies were funded in the 2007 budget.
- The 2007 budget includes a new Fleet Maintenance Fund with a $1.88 million budget. This new internal services fund coincides with the opening of the County’s new fleet maintenance facility that will be providing services for all County vehicles except Public Safety.
- In November 2001, the voters approved a 5-year continuance of the county sales and use tax to provide for capital facilities for non-profit organizations. The Worth Cause Fund revenues generated by the approved 0.95% sales and use tax began January 1, 2004, and will end December 31, 2008. The 2007 budget for this fund is $5,156,000, which includes unexpended non-profit awards from prior years.
- In November 2001, the voters approved a permanent extension of a 0.170 mill levy to recover property taxes abated in 2006 and a temporary mill levy reduction of 0.170 mills.
- In November 2003, the voters approved a permanent extension of a 0.05% sales and use tax to be used for public safety beginning January 1, 2005. These designated revenues are collected in the Offender Management Fund, which provides for offender programs and services. The remaining bond proceeds from prior years provide the funding for the construction of a new addiction recovery center. The 2007 budget is over $2.9 million to cover the operations of the expanded jail, the new addiction recovery center building completion and funding for alternative programs to incarceration. A new alternative program budget was added this year for the Integrated Treatment Court.
- The voters approved in the November 2001 election an increase of 0.10% in the sales and use tax for seven years to fund transportation projects. The new tax rate went into effect on July 1, 2002, and is included in the Road and Bridge Fund. This budget does not include intergovernmental revenue for shared projects. It is expected that there will be specific projects in 2007 that will receive Federal and/or State revenues, and they will be budgeted when the amounts are known.
- The Open Space Capital Fund expenditure budget decreased by approximately $8 million in the 2007 budget. The projected fund balance available for land acquisitions from the 2005 bond proceeds funds a large portion of this budget and the available balance of those funds decreased in 2006. In November 2004, the voters approved a new 0.1% sales and use tax to be used for the Open Space program. The new funding is budgeted with 90% allocated for land acquisitions and 10% for land maintenance until 2024. At that time, the sales and use tax rate drops to 0.45% and becomes a permanent tax for open space management and maintenance.
- The Capital Expenditure Fund budget increased in 2007 to a total of $8.1 million. This fund includes the construction cost for major construction projects including the new Communications Center, improvements at 53rd Street for Elections, and infrastructure maintenance.
- The Eldorado Springs Local Improvement District Fund was created in 2005 to pay for a wastewater treatment facility. The voters within the district approved a ballot issue in the November 2004 election allowing for bonding authority and assessment of fees to property holders within the district. The budget for 2007 is $3.46 million to construct the facility.

**Other Items of Interest:**

- The salary and benefit package for County employees in the 2007 budget included an increased contribution for a market adjustment to salaries in selected job classifications, a 7.5% general increase in all employees, and a merit pool of 5%.
- The Retirement Fund budget covers the anticipated cost of a rate increase of 0.5% of salaries as legislated by the State of Colorado for the employees’ retirement plan with the Colorado Public Employees’ Retirement Association.
- The budget in 2007 increased approximately $200,000 to cover the changes in the County’s Health and Dental Insurance Plan for the employer contributions. The enhanced medical coverage plan maintained or reduced employee out of pocket costs.
- The total mill levy for the County in 2006 (for taxes collected in 2007) was 23.47. This total includes a levy of 0.170 mills to recover property taxes abated in 2006 and a temporary mill levy reduction of 0.278 mills, as allowed by State Statute.

**Taxable Assessed Valuation = $5,013,146,566**

**Total County Levied Property Taxes = $112,630,365**

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**DISTRIBUTION OF ALL PROPERTY TAXES**

- Gross: $433,888,774
- Uncollectibles: $37,984,046
- $37,984,046 / $433,888,774 = 8.76%

**Boulder County Property Tax Distribution**

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CONSERVATION/SANITATION
Includes all expenditures for the agencies whose purpose is to conserve and develop natural resources, which includes land, water, soil, and forests. Sanitation includes all activities involved in the removal and disposal of sewage and other types of waste.

Services in this category are provided by Soil Conservation, Resource Conservation and Historic Preservation, Parks & Open Space, the Conservation Trust Fund, the Open Space Funds, Eldorado Springs Funds, the Recycling Capital Improvement Fund and the Recycling Center Fund.

DEBT SERVICE
Includes all expenditures for interest and principal payments on general long-term debt and fiscal agent fees connected thereto.

Payments in this category are provided for in the Road Fund, the Capital Expenditure Fund, the Eldorado Springs Fund, Offender Management Fund and the Open Space Funds.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT
Includes all expenditures for the administrative branch of county government.

Services in this category are provided by the Administrative Services Department, General Administration, Assessor, County Attorney, Board of County Commissioners, Clerk & Recorder, Land Use, Surveyor, the Treasurer and the Fleet Services Fund.

2007 EXPENDITURES

CONSERVATION/SANITATION
General Administration
Soil Conservation 43,004
Land Use 965,435
Resource Conservation 50,000
Historic Preservation
Parks and Open Space
Administration/All Other Programs 6,391,060
Construction Projects 54,306
Equipment Office 489,971
Land Acquisition 3,833,448
Conservation Trust Fund 2,234,090
Open Space Capital Improvement Fund 8,622,846
Eldorado Springs 1,596,561
Recycling Capital Improvement Fund 5,995,000
Open Space 2005 Bonds 17,108,607
Parks Fairgrounds Minor Projects 20,000
Resource Conservation Fund 11,016,155
CONSERVATION/SANITATION TOTAL $58,690,086

DEBT SERVICE
Local Improvement Districts 35,700
CO's Lease Payments 1,065,145
Eldorado Springs Debt 65,839
Offender Management Bond 04 434,158
County Debt Service 434,158
Open Space 2 C.I.T. Bond Series 1996 & 1998 11,589,682
Open Space 2056 Bond Account 1,970,400
Open Space 2006 Bond Account 1,590,725
DEBT SERVICE TOTAL $21,708,931

GENERAL GOVERNMENT
Administrative Services
General Administration 218,339
Administration 218,339
Mail & Printing 384,271
Board of Equalization 87,845
Human Resources 903,736
Financial Services 952,772
Information Services 6,079,046
Telecommunications 11,132,192
Facilities Administration & Maintenance 3,334,223
Administrative Org 13,249,281
Building Utilities 2,070,955
Retirement Fund 6,611,269
Internal Service/Office Management Fund 13,488,572
Fleet Services Fund 1,879,956
Tabor Refunds 5,000
General Administration 1,846,260
Vehicle Pool 4,340
Employee Benefits 1,585,812
Capital Equipment 3,581,486
Assessor 2,971,990
Communications 1,647,316
County Attorney 832,754
Board of County Commissioners 1,404,533
Budget 257,433
Clerk & Recorder Administration 284,005
Motor Vehicle Division 1,009,235
Issuances 1,112,345
Recording 749,291
Electronic Filing 75,000
Land Use 2,457,182
Surveyor 1,500
Treasurer 859,297
GENERAL GOVERNMENT TOTAL $69,313,382

HEALTH & WELFARE/ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY
Admin Services
Youth Corp 543,708
Mental Health 1,652,471
Public Health 5,389,438
Mosquito Control 292,864
Non-Profit Agencies 3,614,849
Community Services
Administration 324,513
Veterans' Office 125,152
Housing 662,134
Child Protection 56,754
Project Self Sufficiency 179,596
Volunteer Initiative 75,271
50 Plus 45,264
Prevention Connection 62,479
Aging Services 833,010
Social Services Fund 24,616,674
Developmental Disabilities Fund 4,900,367
Grants Fund 12,000,000
Workforce Boulder County Fund 5,000,000
Health and Human Services Fund 3,591,385
Worthy Cause Fund 3,546,078
HEALTH & WELFARE/ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY TOTAL $87,595,135

HIGHLAWS & STREETS/CAPITAL BUILDING PROJECTS
Transportation 1,399,306
Road & Bridge Fund 1,861,922
Capital Equipment and Road Projects 3,987,029
Road Maintenance 6,345,301
Payments to Cities 421,589
Transportation Sales Tax 3,709,542
Offender Management Fund - Construction: ARC 932,632
Capital Expenditure Fund 1,707,818
HIGHWAYS & STREETS/CAPITAL BUILDING PROJECTS TOTAL $24,515,207

PUBLIC SAFETY/JUDICIAL
Coroner 678,675
Community Justice Services 2,855,333
District Attorney 4,169,908
Land Use-Wilderite Mitigation 10,000
Sheriff Administration/All Other Programs 4,008,108
Technical Services 408,909
Jail 10,516,267
Operations 6,686,505
Records 442,169
Communications Center 2,206,141
Transportation-Flood Control 31,034
Fire Training Centers Fund 1,396,484
Offender Management Fund 474,600
Integrated Treatment Court 848,300
Jail Expansion 866,785
PUBLIC SAFETY/JUDICIAL TOTAL $37,762,140
GRAND TOTAL $279,584,881

HEALTH & WELFARE/ ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY
Includes all expenditures for the agencies whose purpose is to provide for the conservation and improvement of public health, to provide public assistance and institutional care for individuals economically unable to provide essential needs for themselves and to eliminate or ameliorate poverty and its causes. Services in this category are provided by Youth Corps, the Mental Health Center, Public Health Department, Non-Profit agencies, Community Services, Social Services, Developmental Disabilities, various Grant-Funded Programs, Health & Human Services Fund, and the Worthy Cause Fund.

HIGHLAWS & STREETS/ CAPITAL BUILDING PROJECTS
Includes all expenditures for the agencies whose purpose is to provide for the construction and maintenance of public buildings, roadways, walkways, bikeways, bridges and storm drainage. Services in this category are provided by the Transportation Department, Road and Bridge Fund, the County Architects Division, the Offender Management Fund and the Transportation Sales Tax including intergovernmental expenditures for payments to cities for road improvements.

PUBLIC SAFETY/JUDICIAL
Includes all expenditures for the agencies whose purpose is to provide for the protection of persons and property. Services in this category are provided by the Coroner, Community Justice Services, District Attorney, Wildlife Mitigation, Sheriff (includes the Jail and Communications Center), Offender Management (includes the Integrated Treatment Court), Flood Control, and the Fire Training Centers Fund.