# The Aurora Highlands Metropolitan District No. 2

Pursuant to section 32-1-809, Colorado Revised Statutes for Transparency Notices may be filed with Special District Association of Colorado. This information must be provided annually to the eligible electors of the district no later than January 15 of each year.

\*Note that some information provided herein may be subject to change after the notice is posted.

# District's Principal Business Office

**Company** CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

**Contact** Denise Denslow

**Address** 8390 E. Crescent Parkway, Suite 300, Greenwood

Village, Colorado 80111

**Phone** 303-779-5710

District's Physical Location

**Counties** Adams County

Regular Board Meeting Information

**Location** Virtually via video and/or audio means.

Address

**Day(s)** As needed

Time

Posting Place for Meeting Notice

**Location** https://www.theaurorahighlands.specialdistrict.net

Address

Notice of Proposed Action to Fix or Increase Fees, Rates, Tolls, Penalties or Charges for Domestic Water or Sanitary Sewer Services

Location

Address

Date

**Notice** 

# Current District Mill Levy

Mills 77.650 for collection in 2025

## Ad Valorem Tax Revenue

Revenue reported may be incomplete or unaudited as of the date this Notice was posted.

**Amount(\$)** 3.00 received in 2024 (estimated/unaudited)

# Date of Next Regular Election

**Date** 05/06/2025

## Pursuant to 24-72-205 C.R.S.

The district's research and retrieval fee is \$41.37 per hour

## **District Policy**

THE AURORA HIGHLANDS METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 2 RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE

OFFICIAL CUSTODIAN OF RECORDS AND ADOPTING AN AMENDED AND

**RESTATED** 

POLICY ON RESPONDING TO OPEN RECORDS REQUESTS

November 2024

WHEREAS, pursuant to § 32-1-1001(1)(h), C.R.S., the Board of Directors (the "Board")

of The Aurora Highlands Metropolitan District No. 2 (the "District") is

responsible for the

management, control and supervision of all of the business and affairs of the District; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to § 32-1-1001(1)(i), C.R.S., the Board has the authority to appoint

an agent; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that it is appropriate to designate an official

custodian of the District's records for the protection of such records and in order to permit their

inspection by persons entitled to examine and copy such records in an orderly fashion; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that it is appropriate to adopt a policy on

responding to open records requests; and

WHEREAS, the Board fully supports, and complies with, all Federal and State of

Colorado ("State") laws relating to the retention, protection and disclosure of District records

including, but not limited to, the Colorado Open Records Act, Title 24, Article 72, Part 2, C.R.S.

("CORA"), the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA"), and

the Privacy Rule promulgated by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services which

interprets and implements HIPAA; and

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the District that all public records shall be open for

inspection by any person at reasonable times, except as otherwise provided by law; and

WHEREAS, public records are defined by CORA as all writings made or maintained by

the District, regardless of the format or medium of the records, subject to certain exceptions and

public records expressly include e-mail communications; and WHEREAS, he Board may have previously adopted a Public Records Request Policy

(the "Original Policy") and the Board now desires to adopt this Resolution to amend and restate

the Original Policy in its entirety.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of The Aurora

Highlands Metropolitan District No. 2:

- 1. Official Custodian.
- (a) The District's manager is hereby designated as the Official Custodian

responsible for the maintenance, care and keeping of all records of the District, except as

provided herein.

(b) The Official Custodian shall have the authority to designate such agents as

they shall determine appropriate to perform any and all acts necessary to enforce and execute the provisions of this Resolution.

2. Policy on Responding to Open Records Request. The following are general

policies concerning the release of records:

(a) All public records of the District shall be open for inspection at the times

designated herein, unless prohibited by the provisions of CORA or policies adopted by the Board

in conformance with CORA.

(b) Every request to inspect and/or copy any District record (a "Records

Request") shall be submitted to the Official Custodian in writing and be specific as to the

information desired. If not submitted to the Official Custodian, any District employee or Board

Member that receives the Records Request shall immediately send the Records Request to the

Official Custodian. To assist the Official Custodian in responding to requests in a timely and

complete manner, the Official Custodian may require records requests to be submitted on a form developed by the Official Custodian.

- (c) If any question arises as to the propriety of fully complying with a Records Request, the Official Custodian shall immediately forward it to the District's legal counsel.
- (d) The District's legal counsel shall determine the District's obligations under the applicable Federal and/or State law(s). If the District is permitted to make records

available for inspection in whole or in part, the District's legal counsel will so notify the Official

Custodian, who will assemble the disclosable requested documents for inspection and/or copying

in accordance with applicable Federal or State law.

(e) If the District's legal counsel determines the District is not permitted by

Federal or State law to make records available for inspection in whole or in part, the District's

legal counsel shall provide a written response to the party submitting the Records Request stating

the legal basis upon which the Records Request in whole or in part is being denied.

(f) Following the denial of a request for record, upon receipt of the required

written notice from the requesting individual that he or she will seek relief from the District

Court, the Official Custodian will attempt to meet in-person or speak by telephone with the

requesting individual. District personnel are encouraged to utilize all

possible means to attempt

to resolve the dispute during this time period and will provide a written summary of the District's

- position at the end of that period to the requestor and to the Board.
- (g) No phone or in-person conference is required if the written notice indicates that the requestor needs access to the record on an expedited basis.
- (h) Pursuant to CORA, all records must be made available for inspection

within 3 working days from the Official Custodian's receipt of the request, unless extenuating

circumstances exist. The deadline may be extended by 7 working days if extenuating

circumstances exist and the requesting party is notified of the delay within 3 working days of the

Official Custodian's receipt of the request. The Official Custodian may set the time during

normal office hours and the place for records to be inspected, and require that the Official

Custodian or a delegated employee be present while the records are examined.

(i) A public record stored in a digital format that is neither searchable nor

sortable will be provided in a digital format. A public record stored in a digital format that is

searchable and/or sortable will be provided in such digital format, unless (1) the public record is

in a searchable or sortable format and producing the record in the requested format would violate

the terms of any copyright or licensing agreement between the District and a third party;

- (2) producing the record would result in the release of a third party's proprietary information;
- (3) after making reasonable inquiries, it is not technologically or

practically feasible to provide a

copy of the record in a searchable or sortable format; or (4) if the Official Custodian would be

required to purchase software or create additional programming functionality in its existing

software to remove the information. Altering an existing digital public record, or excising fields

of information that the Official Custodian is either required or permitted to withhold under this

subsection, does not constitute the creation of a new public record under Section (2)(i)(4) of this

Resolution.

(j) The Custodian may charge the following fees (collectively, the "Fees") for

responding to a Records Request:

(i) Printouts, photographs, and copies, when requested, will be provided at a cost of \$0.25 per standard page, and at the actual costs of production for any nonstandard

page (the "Copying Fee"). A standard page shall mean an 8.5-inch by 11-inch black

and white copy.

(ii) When it is impractical to make the copy, printout, or photograph of the requested record at the place where the record is kept, the Official Custodian may allow

arrangements to be made for the copy, printout, or photograph to be made at other facilities and

the cost of providing the requested records will be paid by the person making the request (the

"Outside Copying Fee").

(iii) If a copy, printout or photograph of a public record is necessary or requested to be provided in a format other than a standard page, the costs will be assessed at the

actual cost of production (the "Production Fee").

(iv) If data must be manipulated in order to generate a record in a

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not otherwise used by the District, such data manipulation will be assessed at the actual costs to

the District (the "Manipulation Fee"); however, the District is in no way obligated to generate a

record that is not otherwise kept, made, or maintained by the District.

(v) The cost for transmitting the requested records will be charged at the actual cost of such delivery (the "Transmission Fee"). Transmission Fees will not be

charged for transmitting any record via electronic mail, when requested.

(vi) When the location or existence of specific documents must be researched and the documents must be retrieved, sorted or reviewed for applicability to the

request, and such process requires more than 1 hour of staff and/or consultants' time, the

Custodian may charge a research and retrieval fee not to exceed \$41.37 per hour, or the

maximum amount allowed by the Executive Committee of the State Legislative Council at the

time of the request, whichever is greater (the "Research and Retrieval Fee").

(vii) If any requested records are protected by a privilege (for example, but not limited to, the work product or attorney-client privileges) the District may charge the

actual costs of creating a privilege log identifying the privileged records (the "Privilege Fee").

If legal assistance or review is necessary to create the privilege log, the Privilege Fee may

include the actual costs for such legal assistance.

(k) If the estimated Fees to produce the records exceeds \$100, the District

may require a 50% deposit of the estimated Fees prior to commencing work to produce the

records. Regardless of whether a deposit is required, payment (by check made payable to the

District) of all Fees, including all actual costs exceeding the estimated amount, must be made

prior to the time of inspection or release of the final work product or copies.

(l) No person shall be permitted to inspect or copy any records of the District

if, in the opinion of the Official Custodian after consultation with the District's legal counsel,

such inspection or copying would come within the prohibition of one or more exemptions set

forth in CORA.

(m) Any increases in the Fees set forth above, including without limitation the

Research and Retrieval Fee, shall be effective immediately upon posting on the District's

website.

3. Severability. If any part, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this

Resolution is for any reason held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the validity of the

remaining provisions.

4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect and be enforced immediately

upon its approval by the Board.

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The foregoing Resolution was approved and adopted this 21st day of November, 2024.

THE AURORA HIGHLANDS METROPOLITAN

DISTRICT NO. 2

By:

Chair

Attest:

#### Secretary

#### District contact information for open records request:

**Denise Denslow** 

## Names of District Board Members

**Board President** 

Name Matt Hopper

**Contact Info** CliftonLarsonAllen LLP 8390 E. Crescent Parkway,

Suite 300 Greenwood Village, CO 80111

**Election** Yes, this office will be on the next regular election

ballot

**Board Member 2** 

Name Carla Ferreira

**Contact Info** CliftonLarsonAllen LLP 8390 E. Crescent Parkway,

Suite 300 Greenwood Village, CO 80111

**Election** Yes, this office will be on the next regular election

ballot

**Board Member 3** 

Name Vacant

**Contact Info** CliftonLarsonAllen LLP 8390 E. Crescent Parkway,

Suite 300 Greenwood Village, CO 80111

**Election** Yes, this office will be on the next regular election

ballot

**Board Member 4** 

Name Michael Sheldon

Contact Info CliftonLarsonAllen LLP 8390 E. Crescent Parkway,

Suite 300 Greenwood Village, CO 80111

**Election** No, this office will not be on the next regular

election ballot

**Board Member 5** 

Name Cynthia Shearon

**Contact Info** CliftonLarsonAllen LLP 8390 E. Crescent Parkway,

Suite 300 Greenwood Village, CO 80111

**Election** No, this office will not be on the next regular

election ballot

## Board Candidate Self-Nomination Forms

Any eligible elector of the special district who desires to be a candidate for the office of special district director must file a self-nomination and acceptance form or letter with the designated election official.

## Deadline for Self-Nomination Forms

Self-nomination and acceptance forms or letters must be filed not less than 67 days before the date of the regular election.

## District Election Results

The district's current election results will be posted on the website of the Colorado Secretary of State (www.sos.state.co.us) and the website indicated below, if any.

**Website** www.sos.state.co.us;

www.theaurorahighlands.specialdistrict.net

## Permanent Mail-In Voter Status

Absentee voting and Permanent absentee voter status (formerly Permanent Mail-In voter status): Where to obtain and return forms.

Sarah H. Luetjen, DEO for The Aurora Highlands Metropolitan District No. 2 c/o Cockrel Ela Glesne Greher & Ruhland PC, 44 Cook Street, Suite 620, Denver, Colorado 80206 sluetjen@cegrlaw.com

Applications for absentee voting or for permanent absentee voter status are available from and must be returned to the Designated Election Official.

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# Notice Completed By

Name

# Kathy Suazo

## Company/District

The Aurora Highland Metropolitan District No. 2

### Title

District Administrator

#### **Email**

kathy.suazo@claconnect.com

### **Dated**

01/07/2025