

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-__

AN ORDINANCE LEVYING GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES FOR THE YEAR 2021, FOR 2022 COLLECTION, FOR THE TOWN OF CASTLE ROCK, COLORADO AND PROVIDING FOR THE EMERGENCY ADOPTION OF THIS ORDINANCE ON SECOND AND FINAL READING

WHEREAS, the Town of Castle Rock, Colorado (the “Town”) has concurrently adopted a budget for the 2022 fiscal year (the “2022 Budget”) accordance with Article IX of the Town Charter (the “Charter”); and

WHEREAS, the 2022 Budget anticipates the receipt of revenues from imposition of a mill levy on taxable property within Town jurisdictional boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the 2022 final net assessed valuation for the Town, as determined by the Douglas County Assessor, is \$1,302,055,422; and

WHEREAS, the mill levy for the Town, as anticipated in the 2022 Budget, does not exceed the five and one half percent revenue limitation in Section 13-2 of the Charter and is otherwise in compliance with the Charter and Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution; and

WHEREAS, according to Section 39-5-128(1), C.R.S., the Town Clerk is required to certify the mill levy imposed by the Town to the Douglas County Board of Commissioners by no later than December 15, 2021; and

WHEREAS, to ensure that the December 15th deadline is met, the Town Council hereby finds and determines that an emergency exists and, as such, it is necessary for the preservation of the immediate public health and safety for this Ordinance to take effect upon its adoption.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CASTLE ROCK, COLORADO:

Section 1. Calculation of Mill Levy. The mill levy certified by this Ordinance is in compliance with applicable constitutional and Charter provisions.

Section 2. Levy of Property Tax. For the purpose of meeting general operating expenses of the Town during the 2022 fiscal year, there is levied a tax of 1.139 mills for general operating expenses, upon each dollar of the total assessed valuation of all taxable property within the Town for the taxable year 2021, to be collected in 2022.

Section 3. Certification. The Town Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to certify to the Douglas County Board of Commissioners the mill levy for the Town as set forth herein.

Section 4. Severability. If any clause, sentence, paragraph, or part of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstances shall for any reason be adjudged by a

court of competent jurisdiction invalid, such judgment shall not affect the remaining provisions of this ordinance.

Section 5. Safety Clause. The Town Council finds and declares that this Ordinance is promulgated and adopted for the public health, safety and welfare, and bears a rational relation to the legislative object sought to be obtained.

Section 6. Emergency Clause. For the reasons stated in the recitals to this Ordinance, it is declared that an emergency exists and it is necessary for the preservation of the immediate public health and safety for this Ordinance to take effect upon its adoption on second and final reading.

APPROVED ON FIRST READING this 21st day of September, 2021 by a vote of 7 for and 0 against, after publication in compliance with section 2.02.100C of the Castle Rock Municipal Code; and

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED ON SECOND AND FINAL READING this 7th day of December, 2021, by the Town Council of the Town of Castle Rock by a vote of for and against, constituting the extraordinary majority required by Section 2.02.100 of the Castle Rock Municipal Code.

ATTEST:

TOWN OF CASTLE ROCK

Lisa Anderson, Town Clerk

Jason Gray, Mayor

Approved as to form:

Approved as to Content:

Michael J. Hyman, Town Attorney

Trish Muller, Finance Director