



## PRESS RELEASE

### OFFICE OF THE LARAMIE COUNTY CLERK

**Note: Monday, May 1 is the last day for voters to cast their ballot early in the atrium of the Laramie County Governmental Complex, 309 W. 20<sup>th</sup> St. The atrium will not be open to voters on May 2.**

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### **Tuesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> is 6<sup>th</sup> Penny Election Day**

#### **Laramie County voters to cast ballots in Vote Centers; polls open 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.**

Laramie County voters may cast their vote on nine propositions for the 1% specific purpose sales and use tax (6<sup>th</sup> penny) at any of the county's 12 Vote Centers on Tuesday, May 2. Voters do not have to go to an assigned polling place based on their address.

“Voters can go to the center that's most convenient. We are using the same vote centers used during November's General Election, but with one exception. Cheyenne Berean Church on Powderhouse Road will not be vote center on Tuesday because the church was not available for the May election,” said Laramie County Clerk Debra Lee.

The Election page of the county clerk's website ( [laramiecountyclerk.com/elections.aspx](http://laramiecountyclerk.com/elections.aspx) ) has a list of the polling places and the website's Find A Vote Center application will tell voters the locations of the nearest centers and estimated waiting time to vote.

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Vote centers are: Storey Gym, 2811 House Ave; Kiwanis Community House, 4603 Lions Park Dr; VFW 1881, 2816 E 7<sup>th</sup>; Cheyenne Alliance Church, 5200 Ridge Rd; First Congregational Church, 3501 Forest Dr; Yellowstone Baptist Church, 9204 Yellowstone; LCCC CCI Building, 1400 E College Dr; David Romero Park, 1317 Parsley Blvd; Laramie County Fair, 3965 Archer Pkwy, 'M' Bldg; Burns Plex, 327 S Main; and Pine Bluffs Community Center, 708 Lawson St.

Clerk Lee said vote centers will open at 7:00 a.m. on Election Day, May 2, and will close at 7:00 p.m. or until the last person in line at closing has voted. The largest of the centers, Storey Gym, will have 25 voting machines while the smallest, at Gilchrist Elementary, will have eight.

Laramie County residents not registered to vote, may do so at any vote center on Election Day. Requirements for registration and voting are: U.S. citizen, age 18 or over, not convicted of a felony (unless voting or civil rights have been restored), and not adjudicated mentally incompetent. New registrants must present a valid government-issued photo ID, with a Wyoming driving license being the preferred document.

The clerk also reminds voters and proponents of ballot propositions that Wyoming law prohibits any form of campaigning within 100 yards of a polling place. Banned material includes any kind of campaign items--signs, stickers, literature, and clothing. Violation of the law is a misdemeanor offense punishable to up to six months in jail, a fine of up to \$1000 or both.

“Please leave your campaign buttons and stickers at home when you go to vote. Our election judges will ask voters to remove or cover up any campaign items before entering the vote center,” said Lee.

By close of business Friday, April 28, more than 3500 voters had cast their ballots at the county's early voting site in the Atrium of the county complex building, while over 800 voters have returned their absentee ballots to the clerk's office. The final day for voting early in the Atrium is Monday, May 1.

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Voters who have not yet returned their absentee ballots to the clerk's office need to deliver them to the county clerk's office by 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 2. The office is located in the County Governmental Complex at 309 W. 20<sup>th</sup> Street. By law, any ballots arriving after the 7:00 p.m. May 2 deadline will not be counted.

On Election Night, unofficial election results will be posted on the county clerk's website as soon as they are available from the vote centers. Those results will be added to totals from absentee and early voting. Election results become official after they are certified by the county canvassing board on Thursday, May 4, at 2:00 p.m.

For more information on the election, call 633-4242 or visit the clerk's Election page at [laramiecountyclerk.com](http://laramiecountyclerk.com).

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