



NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF EMERGENCY ELECTION RULES

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Article VI of Chapter 2 of the Denver Revised Municipal Code (D.R.M.C), that the Denver Clerk and Recorder, has adopted Emergency Rules (the “Emergency Rules”) amending existing election rules to ensure the uniform and proper administration and enforcement of the city’s election laws.

On March 28, 2020, in response to the declared disaster emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Colorado Governor issued Executive Order D 2020-019 directing the Colorado Secretary of State to promulgate and issue temporary emergency rules regarding notaries. On March 30, 2020 the Colorado Secretary of State adopted emergency notary rules in response to that directive.

The Emergency Rules clarify that an Affidavit of Petitioners’ Committee for a petition to initiate an ordinance, referendum, or recall is not a “record relating to the electoral process” as that term is defined by the Secretary of State’s emergency notary rules. Additionally, the Emergency Rules clarify that a Statement of Intent to initiate a Charter amendment is not a “record relating to the electoral process” as that term is defined by the Secretary of State’s emergency notary rules.

Temporary adoption is necessary both to comply with law and preserve the public welfare generally. The Emergency Rules expire upon the expiration of the declared disaster emergency memorialized in Executive Order D 2020-003 or any extension of the disaster by a subsequent Executive Order. Further, in no event shall they be deemed to be continued in effect for more than one hundred eighty (180) days after the date of adoption. The Emergency Rule is adopted under the authority of 8.1.2(c) of the Denver Charter and in accordance with Article VI of Chapter 2 of the D.R.M.C. The complete text of this rule will be available online at the Denver Elections Division website (www.DenverVotes.org), and in printed form at the Denver Elections Division, 200 W. 14th Ave., Denver, CO 80204 and on file at the Office of the Clerk and Recorder, 201 W. Colfax Ave., Dept.101, Denver, CO 80202.



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RULE 5. Initiated Ordinance Petitions.

5.3.3 For the purposes of notarization, an Affidavit of Petitioners' Committee is not a record relating to the electoral process, as that term is defined in the Secretary of State emergency rules codified at 8 CCR 1505-11.

RULE 6. Referendum Petitions.

6.2.3 For the purposes of notarization, an Affidavit of Petitioners' Committee is not a record relating to the electoral process, as that term is defined in the Secretary of State emergency rules codified at 8 CCR 1505-11.

RULE 7. Recall Petitions for Municipal Elected Officials.

7.2.3 For the purposes of notarization, an Affidavit of Petitioners' Committee is not a record relating to the electoral process, as that term is defined in the Secretary of State emergency rules codified at 8 CCR 1505-11.

RULE 8. Charter Amendment Petitions.

8.3.3 For the purposes of notarization, a Statement of Intent is not a record relating to the electoral process, as that term is defined in the Secretary of State emergency rules codified at 8 CCR 1505-11.

