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Preparations underway for early voting on 1% specific purpose sales & use tax election; voting starts Thursday

Laramie County voters will have the opportunity to cast their ballot ahead of the May 2 specific purpose sales and use tax (6th Penny) election starting Thursday, Mar. 23, in the Atrium of the Laramie County Governmental Complex.

Early voting is available in the Atrium from 8:30 a.m. to 4:45 p.m., Monday through Friday, from Mar. 23 through May 1. The Atrium is located between the historic courthouse and the county governmental complex at 309 W. 20th St.

Laramie County Clerk Debra Lee noted that persons who are not currently registered to vote may register in the Atrium, pick up a sample ballot for the May 2 election, and cast their ballot. In order to register and vote, a person must be a U.S. citizen, be a resident of Laramie County, and be at least 18 years of age on the day of the election. If a person has a felony conviction, voting or civil rights must have been restored. A government-issued picture ID is required to register, with a Wyoming driving license being the preferred document. Military ID and student IDs are also accepted.

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In advance of early voting, the Laramie County Clerk's Office is conducting a public test of voting equipment in the Atrium at 10:00 a.m. on Weds., March 22. The public is invited to observe the mandated testing of the voting machines to ensure the equipment accurately records votes cast and passes other performance measures.

Following the test, machines are sealed with security seals until the start of early voting the following day.

For those who prefer to cast their ballot in the convenience of their home, voters can request an absentee mail ballot by calling the Clerk's election office at (307) 633-4242 or by emailing election@laramiecountyclerk.com.

Voters must provide their name as it appears on the voter registration list, date of birth, residential address, and the address where the ballot is to be mailed. A friend or relative may pick up an absentee ballot for a voter, provided the voter gives written authorization to the Clerk's office.

For more information on the 1% specific purpose sales and use tax election, visit the Election page of the Laramie County Clerk's website at www.laramiecountyclerk.com or call the election office at 633-4242.

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