

**Town of Lyons, Colorado
Board of Trustees
BOT Agenda Cover Sheet
Agenda Item No: VII. 2
Meeting Date: January 5, 2026**

TO: Mayor Rogin and Members of the Board of Trustees

FROM: Cassey Eyestone, Finance Director

DATE: 1/2/2026

ITEM: 1st Reading of Ordinance 1211 - An Ordinance of the Town of Lyons, Colorado Referring a Question to the Electors of the Town of Lyons on Whether the Use Tax Shall be Increased 1% to a Maximum of 4% to be Considered Voters at the April 7, 2026, Election

ORDINANCE
 MOTION / RESOLUTION
 INFORMATION

- I. **REQUEST OR ISSUE:** Discuss the proposed ballot measure language and if the Board of Trustees would like to pursue an increase in the Town of Lyons use tax.
- II. **RECOMMENDED ACTION / NEXT STEPS:** Decide if a ballot measure should be included in the 2026 Regular Municipal Election for an increase to use tax.
- III. **FISCAL IMPACTS:** Yes, if the ballot measure is pursued and approved by the Town of Lyons registered voters, additional use tax revenue would be generated. The amount could range from \$70,000 - \$81,000 in a typical building year to \$115,000 - \$148,000 in a building year with large development projects.
- IV. **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** At the October 2025 budget workshops, discussions were held as it related to potential future budget shortfalls. It was brought up that the Town's use tax rate of 3.0% did not equal the Town's sales tax rate of 4.0%, which is not typical. The Board requested to review this at a future date to discuss if an increase should be proposed. Any proposed increase would require voter approval.
- V. **LEGAL ISSUES:** None.
- VI. **CONFLICTS OR ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES:** N/A
- VII. **SUMMARY AND ALTERNATIVES:** The alternative would be not to pursue the ballot measure.
- XIII. **PROPOSED MOTION:** "I move to approve Ordinance 1211 on first reading. An Ordinance of the Town of Lyons, Colorado Referring a Question to the Electors of the Town of Lyons on Whether

the Use Tax Shall be Increased 1% to a Maximum of 4% to be Considered Voters at the April 7, 2026, Election.”