

Willow Trace Metropolitan District

Dear Residents of Willow Trace:

This November, you will see an important question on your ballot regarding the future of Willow Trace Metropolitan District's operations mill levy, more commonly known as property taxes. We want to provide you with clear, transparent information about what this means — and why your support is so vital.

What is being proposed?

The District is seeking voter approval to **extend the existing operations mill levy** that has funded vital community services for years. This is **not a request to increase your taxes** — it is simply a continuation of the current mill levy rate.

Why is this important?

The District uses these funds to provide essential maintenance services, including:

- Maintaining and improving landscaping throughout the neighborhood
- Repairing and replacing perimeter fencing
- Mowing and caring for our community's open space areas
- Servicing the community pet waste stations
- Providing snow removal on and adjacent to District property
- Providing holiday lighting

Without voter approval, the District will be unable to continue to provide these services through the mill levy/property taxes. The alternative would be to impose **individual fees on residents**, which come with several drawbacks:

- **Higher overall cost:** Fees are less efficient to collect and administer than property taxes, thus raising the total cost to residents.
- **Not tax-deductible:** Unlike property taxes, which you may be able to deduct from your federal taxes, individual fees are generally **not** deductible on your taxes.
- **Less predictable funding:** Mill levy revenues are stable and ensure ongoing care and quality service delivery, while fee revenues are dependent upon regular payments by all residents and are less stable.

By voting **YES** on this ballot measure, you are helping the District continue to provide the high-quality maintenance and care that supports our property values and quality of life — without increasing your tax rate.

We are proud of the role the Willow Trace Metropolitan District plays in maintaining the character and beauty of our neighborhood. With your continued support, we can keep Willow Trace a vibrant and well-maintained community for years to come.

If you have any questions about the ballot question or the District's services, please don't hesitate to reach out to us at (303) 858-1800.

Thank you for your time, your trust, and your support.

Warm regards,

Willow Trace Metropolitan District Board of Directors