PROPOSITION 425 - SUMMARY FACT SHEET

HOME RULE – PRIMARY ELECTION BALLOT

HOME RULE IS NOT A TAX

- On June 3, 1980 Arizona voters approved Article IX, §20 of the Arizona Constitution prescribing an expenditure limitation for each city and town and allowing a Home Rule Option. Under the Home Rule Option the City Council makes budget decisions for their city "at home" rather than using the State-imposed limitation based upon revenues in FY1979-1980. **This will appear on the August 28, 2018 primary election ballot as Proposition 425**.

- Every four years, Eloy citizens have the opportunity to vote on whether they wish to renew the Home Rule Option. If passed, citizens and the elected city council continue to establish the annual budget based upon available revenues at the local level.

A NO VOTE

- Voting "no" means you are voting against the Home Rule renewal which requires the City to operate under the State-imposed budget limitations, leaving revenues on the table. Example: FY2019-20 - $16,148,434 (without Home Rule)
  FY2019-20 - $32,145,410 (with Home Rule)

IF IT DOES NOT PASS

- If Home Rule does not pass, the City must set the annual budget using a State-imposed formula dating back to 1980, which would require a substantial cut to the general fund, despite having available revenue. The general fund is used to pay for many of the city services including public safety, parks, streets and library.

A YES VOTE

- Voting 'yes' on **Proposition 425** means you are voting for the Home Rule renewal, setting the budget at the local level.

DOES PASS

- Renewal of Home Rule means the City is allowed to spend its balanced budget in accordance with local needs and local priorities.