

Why should Commissioner Scott Mijares be recalled?

Commissioner Scott Mijares has and continues to violate transparency, fiscal responsibility, and public trust in his first six months in office.

Lack of Transparency

- ➤ Violated state law: Scott Mijares repeatedly violated Colorado Open Meetings Law, CRS §24-6-402. He conspired with another commissioner to force the termination of the county manager and county attorney. Two commissioners, including Scott Mijares, have made and continue to make key decisions regarding county government outside of public meetings.
- ➤ **He secretly fired the top team.** Commissioner Scott Mijares forcefully removed our county manager and attorney, then prevented the public from speaking. That is not leadership; it is a power grab.

Poor Fiscal Responsibility

- ➤ Wasteful spending of taxpayer dollars. Over half a million taxpayer dollars have been wasted on severance packages, backfilling positions, and unnecessary outside legal fees.
- > Scott Mijares risked our money. Mijares attempted to halt a building project at the North Campus. The penalty for breaking the contract would have been three million dollars, paid directly from taxpayer funds. He backed down only after facing significant public pressure.
- ➤ **Public health flip-flop.** Scott Mijares discharged our Public Health Director without a valid reason, then retreated after public outrage. County health is not a game of musical chairs it's about providing access to vital public healthcare.

Violated Public Trust

- No voice for citizens. At key meetings on the terminations, Scott Mijares shut down public comment, refusing his opponents the opportunity to speak. He works for us, not the other way around.
- ➤ **Pattern of chaos.** Scott Mijares has and continues to cause fear, waste taxpayer resources, and damage staff morale. County work should be consistent, not a soap opera.
- > Toxic and fearful work environment: Mijares's unpredictable actions have created instability, resulting in a toxic and fearful workplace at one our communities' largest employers, Montrose County.

What the recall means:

- > We voters hold the power. The Colorado Constitution allows voters to recall any official who breaches trust. The law empowers citizens to hold their elected representatives accountable and express dissatisfaction with their performance. The recall process involves:
 - o Gathering a specific number of signatures from Montrose County voters on a petition within a set time frame. We need 4,540 valid Montrose County voter signatures within 31 days. We're aiming for 5,600 to ensure we meet the requirement. It's a simple, achievable goal.
 - o The signatures are then submitted to Montrose County election officials to verify validity and sufficiency.
 - When enough valid signatures are collected, a recall election will be scheduled for November 4, 2025. Voters will then decide whether to remove the violating official from office.
 - o **Give voters a choice.** This petition is to put the recall on the ballot; it's not voting for or against it yet! Signing the petition gets the recall on the ballot. **You must still vote and deliver or mail your ballot by November 4, 2025.** Ask your friends, family, and neighbors to sign the petition to help us reach our signature goal.

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