



August 4, 2020 State Primary Election – Official List of Proposals

The Cities of Ypsilanti and Dexter have withdrawn their proposals from the August 4, 2020 ballot.

WASHTENAW COUNTY – 2 PROPOSALS

PROPOSITION TO AUTHORIZE THE RENEWAL AND RESTORATION OF A .50-MILL ROAD AND NON-MOTORIZED MILLAGE TO PROVIDE FUNDING TO MAINTAIN, RECONSTRUCT, RESURFACE OR PRESERVE ROADS, BIKE LANES, STREETS AND PATHS

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be imposed each year for all purposes on real and tangible personal property in Washtenaw County, Michigan be increased as provided in Section 6, Article IX of the Michigan Constitution and the Board of Commissioners of the County be authorized to levy a tax not to exceed one half of one mill (\$.50 per \$1,000 of state taxable valuation) for a period of four (4) years, beginning with the December 1, 2020 tax levy (which will generate estimated revenues of \$8,990,680 in the first year), to provide funding to the Washtenaw County Road Commission, Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission, and the various cities, villages, and townships of Washtenaw County to maintain, construct, resurface, reconstruct or preserve roads, bike lanes, streets and paths in Washtenaw County? Of the 0.5 mill, 0.4891 represents a renewal of that portion of a 0.5 mill authorization previously approved by the electors as reduced by operation of the Headlee Amendment, and 0.0109 represents new millage in the amount equal to the amount reduced by operation of the Headlee Amendment.

COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT MILLAGE PROPOSAL

For the sole purpose of funding the operation of the WASHTENAW County Soil Conservation District, including programs to assist residents in the protection of surface and groundwater quality, increasing wildlife habitat, woodlot management, reforestation and tree planting, invasive species removal and soil erosion reduction, and providing conservation resources, education and assistance to residents, and strengthening the local food system by promoting sustainable agricultural practices throughout the County of WASHTENAW, shall the Constitutional limitation upon the total amount of taxes which may be assessed in one (1) year upon all taxable property within the County of WASHTENAW, Michigan, be increased, and shall the County be authorized to levy, up to 0.020 mill (\$0.020 per \$1,000 of Taxable Value) as new additional millage for a period of six (6) years, 2020 through 2025, inclusive, beginning with the December 1, 2020 tax levy?

If approved and levied in full, this millage will raise an estimated \$348,109 funding the operation of the WASHTENAW County Soil Conservation District in the first calendar year of the levy based on taxable value.

CITY OF DEXTER – 1 PROPOSAL -Withdrawn

BOND PROPOSAL

Shall the City of Dexter, County of Washtenaw, Michigan, borrow the principal sum of not to exceed Nine Million Nine Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$9,900,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds, in one or more series, payable over a period not to exceed twenty (20) years from date of issuance of each series, for the purpose of paying the cost of acquiring and constructing a new fire hall facility and acquiring and constructing and/or renovating a facility for use by the City for City offices, which facilities may include space to be used as a substation by the Washtenaw County Sheriff's department, including site acquisition and related site improvements, and furnishing and equipping the facilities, including all appurtenances and attachments thereto? The estimated millage to be levied in 2020 is 2.9571 mills (\$2.9571 per \$1,000 of taxable value) and the estimated simple average annual millage rate required to retire the bonds is 2.9517 mills (\$2.9517 per \$1,000 of taxable value).

CITY OF YPSILANTI – 2 PROPOSALS -Withdrawn

PROPOSAL A

Shall Article IX, Section 9.01 (c) of the Ypsilanti City Charter be amended to provide that nomination power to the Board of Ethics be expanded to the Mayor or two Council Members?

PROPOSAL B

Shall Article IX, Section 9.03 of the Ypsilanti City Charter be amended to provide that nomination power to all boards and commissions be expanded to the Mayor or two Council Members?

FREEDOM TOWNSHIP – 1 PROPOSAL

ROAD MAINTENANCE MILLAGE RENEWAL

Shall the expired previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution in Freedom Township, of .25 mills (\$0.25 per \$1,000 of taxable value), reduced to .2497 mills (\$.2497 per \$1,000 of taxable value) by required "Headlee" millage rollbacks, be renewed at .2497 mills (\$.2497 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for five (5) years, 2020 through 2024, inclusive, for road maintenance in the Township, which millage renewal rate will raise an estimated \$ 40,000 in the first year of levy.

NORTHFIELD TOWNSHIP – 1 PROPOSAL

POLICE PROTECTION MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL

This proposal will renew the levy to continue to fund police protection in Northfield Township for 5 years beginning December 2021 at a maximum levy of 4.3179 mills, annually adjusted downward due to the Headlee Amendment.

Shall the previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution in Northfield Township, of 4.50 mills (\$4.50 per \$1000 of taxable value), reduced to 4.3179 mills (\$4.3179 per \$1000 of taxable value) by the required millage rollback, be renewed at up to 4.3179 mills (\$4.3179 per \$1000 of taxable value) and levied for five (5) years, 2021 to 2025 inclusive, for the purpose of providing funds for police protection, raising approximately \$1,654,215 in the first year the millage is levied?

SALINE TOWNSHIP – 1 PROPOSAL

RENEWAL OF ROAD MAINTENANCE MILLAGE

Shall the expired previous voted increase in the tax limitations imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution in Saline Township, of 1.0 mill (\$1.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value), reduced to 0.9960 mills (\$0.9960 per \$1,000 of taxable value) by the required millage rollbacks, be renewed at and increased up to the original voted 1 mill (\$1.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value) and levied for four (4) years, 2021 through 2024 inclusive, for maintenance of local roads within Saline Township, raising an estimated one hundred eleven thousand three hundred fifty dollars (\$111,350) in the first year the millage is levied.

SCIO TOWNSHIP – 1 PROPOSAL

PARKS AND PATHWAYS MILLAGE PROPOSAL

Shall an increase in tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 on all taxable real and tangible personal property in the Township of Scio, Washtenaw County, be enacted in an amount not to exceed .65 mills (\$.65 on each \$1,000.00 of taxable value) for a period of ten (10) years, 2020 to 2029 inclusive, for the purpose of funding the capacity to develop and maintain nature preserves, parks, trails, recreational opportunities, including a network of nonmotorized pathways?

This proposal would continue to enable the Township to take advantage of matching funds and other support from Washtenaw County, the State of Michigan, nonprofits, and other partners. Administrative costs of all of the above activities shall not exceed 15% of the annually estimated revenue. Within 90 days of passage, the Board of Trustees shall enact any necessary legislation to implement appropriate administrative oversight of these activities.

The estimate of the revenue the Township will collect if this millage is approved and levied by the Township in the 2020 calendar year is approximately \$764,018. A portion of the revenue collected will be required to be distributed to the Scio Township Downtown Development Authority and such other or fewer local units of government as the Township Board determines appropriate.

Updated: 5/20/2020

Should this proposal be approved?

PINCKNEY COMMUNITY SCHOOLS – 1 PROPOSAL

BONDING PROPOSAL

Shall Pinckney Community Schools, Livingston and Washtenaw Counties, Michigan, borrow the sum of not to exceed Fifty-Nine Million Dollars (\$59,000,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefor, in one or more series, for the purpose of:

remodeling, furnishing and refurnishing, and equipping and re-equipping school buildings and facilities; acquiring and installing instructional technology in school buildings; erecting, furnishing, and equipping a vestibule addition to Pathfinder School; purchasing school buses; erecting and equipping new restroom buildings at Pinckney High School athletic fields; erecting, preparing, developing, improving, and equipping athletic fields, facilities, sites, and structures; and preparing, developing, improving, and equipping playgrounds and sites?

The following is for informational purposes only:

The estimated millage that will be levied for the proposed bonds in 2020, under current law, is 2.17 mills (\$2.17 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a -0- mill net increase over the prior year's levy. The maximum number of years the bonds of any series may be outstanding, exclusive of any refunding, is fifteen (15) years. The estimated simple average annual millage anticipated to be required to retire this bond debt is 3.48 mills (\$3.48 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation).

The school district expects to borrow from the State School Bond Qualification and Loan Program to pay debt service on these bonds. The estimated total principal amount of that borrowing is \$19,680,763 and the estimated total interest to be paid thereon is \$30,275,909. The estimated duration of the millage levy associated with that borrowing is 19 years and the estimated computed millage rate for such levy is 7.55 mills. The estimated computed millage rate may change based on changes in certain circumstances.

The total amount of qualified bonds currently outstanding is \$79,520,000. The total amount of qualified loans currently outstanding is approximately \$6,557,901.

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(Pursuant to State law, expenditure of bond proceeds must be audited and the proceeds cannot be used for repair or maintenance costs, teacher, administrator or employee salaries, or other operating expenses.)

SOUTH LYON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS – 1 PROPOSAL
BONDING PROPOSAL

Shall South Lyon Community Schools, Oakland, Washtenaw and Livingston Counties, Michigan, borrow the sum of not to exceed Ninety Eight Million Seven Hundred Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$98,725,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefor, in one or more series, for the purpose of:

- erecting, furnishing and equipping additions to school buildings;
- remodeling, furnishing and refurbishing, equipping and re-equipping school facilities; remodeling for energy efficiency, including lighting, roofing and HVAC upgrades;
- acquiring, installing, equipping and re-equipping school buildings for instructional technology, including classroom technology and student devices;
- purchasing school buses; and
- acquiring, preparing, developing, or improving sites and facilities, including athletic fields, structures, playgrounds, parking lots?

The following is for informational purposes only:

The estimated millage that will be levied for the proposed bonds in 2020, under current law, is .38 mills (\$.38 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a -0- mills net increase over the prior year's levy. The maximum number of years the bonds of any series may be outstanding, exclusive of any refunding, is twenty (20) years. The estimated simple average annual millage anticipated to be required to retire this bond debt is 1.74 mills (\$1.74 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation).

(Pursuant to State law, expenditure of bond proceeds must be audited and the proceeds cannot be used for repair or maintenance costs, teacher, administrator or employee salaries, or other operating expenses.)

