

**Oakland County**  
Unofficial Proposal List  
November 7, 2023 Election

Proposal Section
City
Birmingham
Senior Millage Proposal

Do you approve of the addition of a new 0.33 mill levy to collect approximately \$1,053,750 per year in revenue to be disbursed to the City of Birmingham for the purpose of making interim improvements and establishing a sinking fund for a senior center that will provide an array of services for older citizens for a three year term, ending on July 1, 2027?

Ferndale

Shall the City of Ferndale, Charter, Chapter XXA, creating the Civil Service System be deleted and repealed from the Charter of the City of Ferndale?

Madison Heights
A proposed amendment to Section 3.4 of the Madison Heights City Charter
Proposal 1

The proposed amendment states that the City Council shall appoint the City Council member, receiving the highest number of votes at the regular city election, as Mayor Pro Tem for the next two years, in place of the current provision that requires City Council to appoint a member of the Council as the Mayor Pro Tem. If approved, the revision takes effect with the 2025 regular city election and continues until otherwise amended.

Shall the proposed amendment to Section 3.4 be adopted?

A proposed amendment to Section 5.1 of the Madison Heights City Charter
Proposal 2

Currently, Section 5.1 requires, in order to be eligible to be a candidate for election as mayor or council member, that a candidate for mayor or council must resign from Madison Heights elective office and from elective office in any other local government unit. The proposed amendment states that no candidate for mayor or city council must resign from their current elected offices until they win election as mayor or city council member. If approved, the revision takes effect with the 2025 regular city election and continues until otherwise amended.

Shall the proposed amendment to Section 5.1 be adopted?

A proposed amendment to Section 5.5 of the Madison Heights City Charter
Proposal 3

The proposed amendment states that resignations of a Council member and Mayor shall be accepted or rejected by City Council and resignations from boards and commissions shall be accepted or rejected administratively. If approved, the revision is effective in 2023 and shall continue until otherwise amended.

Shall the proposed amendment to Section 5.5 be adopted?

A proposed amendment to Section 5.7(a) of the Madison Heights City Charter
Proposal 4

The proposed amendment states that Council shall appoint the Mayor Pro Tem as Mayor in the event there is a vacancy in the office of Mayor; that Council shall appoint the City Council member, receiving the second highest number of votes at the last preceding regular City election, as Mayor Pro Tem; and defines every succeeding regular election as a succeeding regular city election. If approved, the revision takes effect with the 2025 regular city election and continues until otherwise amended.

Shall the proposed amendment to Section 5.7(a) be adopted?

**A proposed amendment to Section 6.1. of the Madison Heights City Charter**  
**Proposal 5**

Currently, Section 6.1 requires the City Council to hold two (2) regular council meetings per month, except during the month of December when at least one (1) regular meeting shall be held, totaling twenty-three (23) regular meetings per calendar year. To give Council greater scheduling flexibility, the proposed amendment would still require twenty-three (23) regular council meetings per calendar year, but would require a minimum of one (1) regular meeting each month. If approved, the revision is effective in 2023 and shall continue until otherwise amended.

Shall the proposed amendment to Section 6.1 be adopted?

**Royal Oak**

**Charter Proposal A**

Proposed Amendment to Chapter 8, Section 11(d) of the Royal Oak City Charter to Reestablish the 2.5 Mill Road Millage Previously Approved by the Electors that Expires as of the December 2023 Levy.

The proposed amendment to Chapter 8, Section 11(d) of the Royal Oak City Charter, if approved, would allow the City to levy a millage annually not to exceed 2.5 mills, of which 2.3026 is a renewal of the previously authorized millage and a restoration of the 0.1974 mills previously rolled back by the Headlee Amendment, for a period not to exceed ten (10) years beginning December 1, 2024, to defray the costs for maintaining, repairing and reconstructing roads and right-of-ways in the City of Royal Oak.

Shall the proposal be adopted?

**Southfield**

**Charter Amendment Proposal Southfield City Charter**  
**Ballot Proposal #1**

Shall the Charter be amended by amending Sections 5.2, 5.9 and 6.1 to change the city treasurer from an elected to an appointed position, to take effect in November 2025 or upon a vacancy in the office, whichever occurs first?

**Charter Amendment Proposal Southfield City Charter**  
**Ballot Proposal #2**

Shall Charter Sections 5.2, 5.9 and 6.1 be amended to change the city clerk from an elected to an appointed position, to take effect in November 2025 or upon a vacancy in the office, whichever occurs first?

**Wixom**

**Charter Amendment Proposal**

The Wixom City Charter was adopted by the electors on November 3, 1987. It contains gender-specific terminology throughout and every pronoun in the City Charter is masculine.

Shall the City of Wixom City Charter be amended to change all gender-specific terminology to gender-neutral terms?

**Charter Amendment Proposal**

Currently, Section 4.11 E of the City Charter provides that a person appointed to fill a vacancy on City Council holds office until the Monday following the next regular City election in November. However, the person elected to City Council at the next regular election does not take office until noon on January 1 following the election, which creates another vacancy on City Council of more than six (6) weeks. If adopted, the proposed change to Section 4.11 E extends that temporary term of office to January 1 following the election, which would eliminate the gap.

Shall this amendment be adopted?

**Charter Amendment Proposal**

Currently, the City does not have full time officers for certain positions, such as City Assessor, City Engineer, City Planner, and City Attorney. It is proposed that Section 6.11 of the City Charter be amended to align with past and current practice so that officers who are not full time may be paid on a fee basis set by the City Council.

Shall this amendment be adopted?

<b>Charter Amendment Proposal</b>
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Currently, the City levies a millage of up to three tenths (0.30) mill solely for construction, maintenance, repair and rehabilitation of safety paths and sidewalks under the jurisdiction of the City. The millage was for 15 years, 2009 through 2023. The proposed Charter Amendment renews the same millage rate of up to three-tenths (0.30) mill for 15 years, 2024 through 2038, inclusive for the same purposes.

Shall this amendment be adopted?

<b>Village</b>
<b>Lake Orion Village</b>
<b>Adoption of Ordinance No. 36.06, which repeals Ordinance No. 36.05 of the Village of Lake Orion</b>

Ordinance No. 36.05 approved a fourth amendment to the Tax Increment Financing Plan for the Lake Orion Downtown Development Authority, originally approved in 1985, continuing its tax capture from the Village of Lake Orion and other effected taxing authorities until December 2039.

Shall the Village of Lake Orion adopt Ordinance No. 36.06, which repeals Ordinance No. 36.05, and cease the capture of taxes from the Village of Lake Orion and other affected taxing authorities?

<b>Local School District</b>
<b>Bloomfield Hills Schools</b>
<b>Building and Site Sinking Fund Millage Renewal Proposal</b>

**Bloomfield Hills Schools**  
**County of Oakland, Michigan**

This proposal, if approved by the electors, will continue the authority last approved by the electors in 2018 and which expires with the 2023 levy for the Bloomfield Hills Schools to levy a building and site sinking fund millage, the proceeds of which will be used to make improvements and repairs to the School District's facilities. Pursuant to State law, the expenditure of the building and site sinking fund millage proceeds must be audited, and the proceeds cannot be used for teacher, administrator or employee salaries, maintenance, or other operating expenses.

Shall the Bloomfield Hills Schools, County of Oakland, Michigan, be authorized to continue to levy 0.6976 mills (\$0.70 per \$1,000 of taxable valuation), for a period of three (3) years, being the years 2024 to 2026, inclusive, to create a building and site sinking fund to be used for the construction or repair of school buildings, school security improvements, the acquisition or upgrading of technology, the acquisition of student transportation vehicles, trucks and vans registered under the Michigan vehicle code, parts, supplies, and equipment used for the maintenance of these vehicles or for other purposes permitted by law? This millage would provide estimated revenues to the School District of approximately \$3,380,000 during the 2024 calendar year, if approved and levied.

<b>School District of the City of Oak Park</b>
<b>Non-Homestead Operating Millage Replacement and Restoration Proposal</b>

**School District of the City of Oak Park**  
**County of Oakland**  
**State of Michigan**

This proposal will: (1) replace and restore the authority of School District of the City of Oak Park to levy 1.5 mills previously authorized and levied for general operating purposes on all property, except principal residences and other property exempt by law, which has been reduced by the application of the Headlee Amendment; and (ii) increase the prior authority by 3.00 mills. This authority, if approved and combined with the School District's other unexpired authorization, would allow the School District to continue to levy the statutory limit of 18.00 mills on all property, except principal residence and other property exempt by law, in the event of future Headlee rollbacks.

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be imposed on all property, except principal residences and other property exempt by law in the School District of the City of Oak Park, County of Oakland, State of Michigan, be increased by 4.5 mills (\$4.50 on each \$1,000 of taxable value) for sixteen (16) years, the years 2023 to 2038, inclusive, to provide funds for operating expenses? This millage would raise an estimated \$155,000 for the School District in the first year that it is levied.