Oakland County

Official Proposal List August 6, 2024 Primary Election

Proposal Section
City
Pontiac
Ballot Question

Shall the 2024 City Charter proposed by the Pontiac Charter Revision Commission be adopted?

Rochester Hills Library Millage Proposal

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be imposed on taxable property within the City of Rochester Hills, County of Oakland, Michigan, be increased by \$0.39 per thousand dollars (0.39 mills) of the taxable value on all taxable property in the City of Rochester Hills for a period of ten (10) years, beginning in the year 2024 and ending in the year 2033, inclusive, as new additional millage for the purpose of providing library funds for the Rochester Hills Public Library? It is estimated that 0.39 mills would raise approximately \$1,724,195 when first levied with the December 1, 2024 levy.

Walled Lake

Library Millage Renewal

This millage will enable the continued operations of the Walled Lake City Library. If approved this would be a renewal of the current library millage levy as rolled back by the Headlee Amendment.

Shall the City of Walled Lake be authorized to levy a tax annually upon the taxable value of all property subject to ad valorem taxation in an amount not to exceed one (1) mill (\$1.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value), of which .8574 mills is a renewal of the previous voter authorized millage as rolled back by the Headlee Amendment and .1426 mills is a new millage, for a period of ten (10) years, 2025 through 2034, inclusive, which will raise in the first year of such tax levy an estimated \$288,000, for the purpose of providing funds for all library purposes permitted by law.

Should this proposal be approved?

Wixom

Renewal of an Additional Operating Millage for Municipal Operating Purposes Including Police and Fire, Public Works, and Parks & Recreation

Shall the previously approved additional operating millage in Section 9.2 of the Wixom City Charter of up to 3.5 mills (which is equal to \$3.50 per \$1,000 of taxable value) be renewed for an additional four (4) years, commencing July 1, 2025, and effective through and including July 1, 2028, to provide funds for municipal operating purposes including police and fire, public works, and parks & recreation?

Township

Addison Township

24-1 Fire Department Capital Improvements

Shall the previous voted and approved millage increase in the tax limitation (imposed under Article IX, section 6 of the Michigan Constitution) totaling .75 mill, (.75 per \$1,000.00 taxable value) which have been reduced to .7130 mill as required by law with millage rollbacks and which the millage expires 2024 be renewed and increased back to .75 mills (.75 per \$1,000.00 taxable value) for levy in the years 2025-2030 inclusive for a period of six (6) years, for Fire Department Capital improvements within the Township? This funding is for the sole purpose of providing Capital improvements to the Fire Department of Addison Township, and is the only funding for Capital improvements for the Fire Department of Addison Township. If approved and levied based on the 2024 taxable value, it is estimated this millage will raise in the first year, three hundred fifty-five thousand, six hundred and four dollars (\$355,604) for the Fire Department Capital Improvements.

24-2 Fire Department Operating and Advanced Life Support Ambulance Services

Shall the previous voted and approved millage increase in the tax limitation (imposed under Article IX, section 6 of the Michigan Constitution) totaling 2.25 mill, (2.25 per \$1,000.00 taxable value) which in 2023 reduced to 2.1806 mill with the required millage reductions and which the millage will expire in 2024, be increased back to 2.25 mill. (2.25 per \$1,000.00 taxable value) and combined with an existing and expiring previous voted and approved millage increase of in the tax limitation (imposed under Article IX, section 6 of the Michigan Constitution) millage at 1.50 mill (\$1.50 per \$1,000.00 taxable value) which in 2023 levied at 1.50 mill and expiring in December 2024 be renewed and increase to 1.50 for a combined existing millage rate of 3.75 (\$3.75 per \$1,000 taxable value) for levy for a period of four years 2025 through 2028 inclusive? In the first year based on the 2024 taxable value, it is estimated that this millage will raise one million, seven hundred seventy-eight thousand and eighteen dollars (\$1,778,018). The combined millage of 3.75 is necessary to continue the appropriate fire protection services and to meet the regulations for advanced life support ambulance services. The millage will be used for the purpose of providing fire operating and advanced life support ambulance services.

Library Millage Proposal

Shall Addison Township, Oakland County, Michigan, be authorized to levy a millage annually in an amount not to exceed .20 mill (\$0.20 on each \$1,000 of taxable value), of which .1867 mill is a renewal of the previously authorized millage that expired in 2023 and .0133 mill is new additional millage, against all taxable property within the Township for a period of ten (10) years, 2024 to 2033 inclusive, for the purpose of operating, maintaining and equipping the Addison Township Library and for all other library purposes authorized by law? The estimate of the revenue the Township will collect in the first year of levy (2024) if the millage is approved is approximately \$85,000. The revenue from this millage levy will be disbursed to the Addison Township Library.

Bloomfield Township

Public Safety Millage Renewal

Shall the Charter Township of Bloomfield renew and continue to levy the voter authorized public safety tax levy of 0.6474 mills, due to expire in 2026, authorizing a levy of \$0.6474 per \$1,000 of taxable value to finance the Charter Township of Bloomfield's continued providing of fire, police and public safety protection, for a period of 10 years, with the renewed millage to be levied commencing in December 2026. This renewal public safety millage will be subject to applicable statutory and constitutional tax limitation provisions at the time of the levy and will not exceed the above stated rate. It is estimated that this proposal would result in the authorization to collect \$4,000,000 in the first year if approved and fully levied.

Shall this proposal be adopted?

Commerce Township

Renewal of Charter Township of Commerce Millage for Park Improvements & Acquisition of Open Space

On August 5, 2014, the voters of the Charter Township of Commerce approved a millage increase for a period of 10 years for improvement of parks and the acquisition of land and interests in land to create new publicly owned open space, above the non-voted tax levy limitation of 5 mills imposed by Section 27 of Public Act 359 of 1947 (and subject to the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution), of .4 of one Mill (\$0.40 cents per \$1000 of taxable property value), which was reduced to .3662 of one mill (\$0.3662 cents per \$1000 of taxable property value) by the required rollbacks. Shall this voted millage be renewed at up to .3662 mill (0.3662 cents per \$1000 of taxable property value) and levied for an additional 10 years, 2024 through 2033 inclusive, for the purpose of improving parks and acquiring land and interests in land to create new publicly owned open space within the township? The estimated revenue to be collected in the first year that the millage is authorized and levied is \$980,000. This millage will be disbursed to Commerce Township and its Downtown Development Authority.

Groveland Township

Fire Millage Renewal

Shall the Township of Groveland, Oakland County, Michigan, for the purpose of providing fire, rescue and related services in the township through the Groveland Township Fire Department, be authorized to levy on all taxable real property within Groveland Township for a period of ten (10) years (2024 thru 2033 inclusive) up to 5.000 mills on each dollar (\$5.00 per \$1,000) of taxable value as finally equalized pursuant to Michigan law? If approved, the first year shall be levied at the current rate of 3.500 mills, generating an estimated revenue of \$1,077,520.96.

Highland Township

Police Services Millage Renewal

Shall the previously authorized police services millage on all taxable property within the Charter Township of Highland, established at 3.4319 mills (\$3.4319 per \$1,000 of taxable value) and reduced by the required millage rollbacks, be renewed at the reduced amount of 3.3162 mills (\$3.3162 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for a period of six (6) years, 2024 through 2029, inclusive, to provide funding for police services in the 2025 through 2030 calendar years, inclusive, and shall the Township be authorized to levy this millage on all taxable property in the Township raising an estimated \$3,507,330 in the first year of the levy? The proposed millage is a renewal of a previously authorized millage. To the extent required by law, a portion of the revenue from this proposed millage will be captured by and disbursed to the Highland Downtown Development Authority.

Independence Township

Fire and Emergency Services Operating Millage

Shall the Charter Township of Independence be authorized to levy up to 3.8716 mills (\$3.87 per \$1,000 of taxable value), which represents a .5 mill (\$.50 per \$1,000 of taxable value) increase of the current millage levy of 3.3716 mills (\$3.37 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for a total new additional levy of up to 3.8716 mills for four years, beginning in December 2025 through 2028 inclusive, for purposes of funding fire protection, emergency services operations and capital expenditures, including advanced life support?

Approval of the above proposal would replace the current fire millage expiring in December 2024 and allow the Township to levy a new additional millage of 3.8716 mills for purposes of continuing to provide operating and capital expenditures for fire protection, emergency services and advanced life support. It is estimated that this proposal would result in the authorization to collect up to \$9,273,790.72 in the first year if approved and levied. By operation of law, a portion of the millage revenue will be disbursed to the Township's Sashabaw Road Corridor Improvement Authority and the Independence Downtown Development Authority. The amount disbursed to the Sashabaw Road Corridor Improvement Authority and the Independence Downtown Development Authority is required by law and is collected solely from properties located in the Sashabaw Road Corridor Improvement Authority District, respectfully.

Lyon Township

Fire Department Millage Renewal Proposal

Shall the Charter Township of Lyon, Oakland County, Michigan, renew the 2022 voter-approved levy of 2.3985 mills that expired in 2023 (\$2.39 on each \$1,000 of taxable value) for the next ten (10) years, 2024-2033, inclusive, and subject to authorized disbursements mandated by law, for the purposes of Fire Department property, apparatus, equipment, required personnel, and the general operation of fire services, estimated to provide revenue of \$3,788,550 in the first year of collection, of which a portion will be disbursed to the Charter Township of Lyon Downtown Development Authority as required by law?

Police Services Dedicated Millage Renewal Proposal

In 2024, shall the Charter Township of Lyon, Oakland County, Michigan, renew and combine into one millage the three expired previously voted levies of 2.19 mills (which has been reduced to 2.048 pursuant to MCL 211.34d), 0.6385 mills (which has been reduced to 0.6139 pursuant to MCL 211.34d), and 0.80 mills (which has been reduced to 0.7585 pursuant to MCL 211.34d), resulting in a combined millage renewal of 3.4204 mills (\$3.42 per \$1,000 of taxable value) and levy it for ten years, 2024 through 2033, inclusive, for the general operation of police services, raising an estimated \$5,402,693 in the first year the millage is levied, of which a portion will be disbursed to the Charter Township of Lyon Downtown Development Authority as required by law?

Oxford Township

Police Operating Millage

For purposes of continuing to provide police services in the Township, shall the Charter Township of Oxford impose an increase on the lax limitation on taxable property of up to 4.25 mills (\$4.25 per \$1,000 of taxable value) to be levied annually for a period of 4 years, 2025 through 2028, inclusive?

Township voters approved a Police Operating Millage in 2020 of 3.9152 mills, currently reduced by the required millage rollbacks to 3.8091 mills, which will expire in December 2024. Approval of this proposal would allow a tax limitation increase of approximately 4.25 per \$1,000 of taxable value on all taxable property in the Township. Approval of the above proposal would allow the Township to levy up to 4.25 mills as a new additional millage to replace the expiring millage for the purposes of funding police services, including all operations, wages, benefits, housing, and capital expenditures. It is estimated that this proposal would result in the authorization to collect an estimated \$4,468,203.97 in the first year if approved and levied. The millage will replace the current Police Operating Millage upon its expiration in December 2024 and be assessed on all taxable property within the Township, except and excluding all taxable property within the Village of Oxford. A property with a taxable value of \$100,000 would be annually taxed up to \$425.00 for the millage.

Royal Oak Township

General Operating Capital Purchases Millage Renewal

This Proposal will allow the Charter Township of Royal Oak to renew the millage levied for general operating capital purchase funds.

Shall the previously expired voted increase in the authorized charter millage of the Charter Township of Royal Oak of 4.5000 mills (\$4.50 per \$1,000 of taxable value), reduced to 4.4563 mills (\$4.4563 per \$1,000 of taxable value) by the required millage rollbacks, which may be assessed on all taxable property as defined by law within said Township, be renewed at 4.4563 mills (\$4.4563 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for a period of four (4) years, 2024 through 2027 inclusive, for the purpose of providing general operating capital purchase funds; which levy is estimated to raise, in the first year of the levy, \$179,082.

Springfield Township

Parks and Recreation Renewal Proposition

Shall the previously voted .75 mill (\$0.75 per \$1,000 of taxable value) increase in the constitutional tax limitation on the amount of taxes upon all taxable property within the Charter Township of Springfield, which was reduced to .7197 mills by the required millage rollbacks, be renewed and increased back to the original .75 mills and levied for a period of ten (10) years from 2024 through 2033, inclusive, for the purpose of providing funds for developing, maintaining, and operating the parks, preserves, recreational sites, facilities, trails, programs, and services managed and/or owned by the Township or the Township Parks and Recreation Commission? If approved, the levy will raise in the first year approximately \$ 619,883.

Waterford Township

Renewal and Increase to Restore Lost Millage Due to Headlee Rollbacks of Parks & Recreation Millage

Shall the existing authorized Parks and Recreation Millage within the Charter Township of Waterford be restored to the original voter approved .50 mills, of which .4530 mills (\$.4530 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value) is a renewal and .0470 mills (\$.0470 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value) is an increase to restore lost millage due to Headlee rollbacks, upon real property and tangible personal property within the Township of Waterford for the period of ten (10) years, 2025 through 2034 inclusive, with the first levy in December of 2024 for use in 2025, said funds to be used to maintain the cost of operation of the Parks and Recreation Department, and shall the Township levy such renewal in millage for said purpose, thereby generating in the first year an estimated \$1,529,294.41 (This millage is to renew the millage that will expire and to restore millage lost as a result of the Headlee amendment)?

Renewal and Increase to Restore Lost Millage Due to Headlee Rollbacks of Police Operating Millage #1

Shall the existing authorized Police Operating Millage #1 within the Charter Township of Waterford be restored to the original voter approved 1.50 mills, of which 1.3598 mills (\$ 1.3598 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value) is a renewal and .1402 mills (\$.1402 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value) is an increase to restore lost millage due to Headlee rollbacks, upon real property and tangible personal property within the Township of Waterford for the period of ten (10) years, 2025 through 2034 inclusive, with the first levy in December of 2024 for use in 2025, said funds to be used to maintain the cost of operation of the Police Department, and shall the Township levy such renewal in millage for said purpose, thereby generating in the first year an estimated \$4,575,883.23 (This millage is to renew the millage that will expire and to restore millage lost as a result of the Headlee amendment)?

West Bloomfield Township

Bond Proposal

Shall the Charter Township of West Bloomfield, Oakland County, Michigan, borrow a sum not to exceed Twenty-Five Million Dollars (\$25,000,000), and issue its unlimited tax general obligation bonds therefore, in one or more series, for the purpose of:

constructing, furnishing, equipping, and renovating Parks and Recreation improvements, including the parks, playgrounds, community and senior activity center, trail system, pickleball courts, nature education areas, meeting rooms, administrative spaces, new pavement, and other capital improvements described in the Parks and Recreation Commission's 5-year master plan?

The following is for information purposes only. The estimated millage to be levied in the first year of levy is .35 mill (\$0.35 for each \$1,000 of taxable value), and the estimated simple average annual millage rate required to retire the bonds is 0.35 mill (\$0.35 for each \$1,000 of taxable value). The maximum number of years the bonds of any series may be outstanding, excluding any refunding, is twenty (20).

White Lake Township

Park and Recreational Millage Renewal Proposition

Shall the previously authorized increase in the tax limitations on all taxable property within the Charter Township of White Lake, established at 0.30 mills (\$0.30 per \$1,000 of taxable value) and reduced by the required millage rollbacks, be renewed at the reduced amount of 0.2845 mills (\$0.2845 per \$1,000 of taxable value) and, to restore lost millage, be increased by the amount of 0.0155 mills (\$0.0155 per \$1,000 of taxable value) both for ten (10) years, 2024 through 2033, inclusive, to provide funds for all park and recreational uses permitted by law, including but not limited to maintaining, improving, purchasing, constructing or acquiring property, property interests, trails, pathways and facilities for park and recreational purposes, and shall the township be authorized to levy this millage on all taxable property in the township raising an estimated \$474,920 in the first year of the levy? The proposed millage is a renewal of a previously authorized millage and restoration of previously authorized millage lost as a result of the reduction required by the Michigan Constitution of 1963. To the extent required by law, a portion of the proposed millage will be captured by and disbursed to the White Lake Township Corridor Improvement Authority to fund the Authority's purposes, including without limitation acquisition and construction of public improvements within the Authority's Development Area, pursuant to the Authority's Development Plan and Tax Increment Financing Plan, and to such other or fewer local units of government as the Township Board determines appropriate.

Local School District

Almont Community Schools

Bond Proposal

Shall Almont Community Schools, Lapeer, St. Clair, Macomb and Oakland Counties, Michigan, borrow the sum of not to exceed Twenty-Two Million Six Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$22,680,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefor, for the purpose of:

erecting, furnishing and equipping additions to the high school building; remodeling, furnishing and refurnishing and equipping and re-equipping school buildings; and erecting, preparing, developing, improving and equipping playgrounds, athletic fields, facilities and structures and sites?

The following is for informational purposes only:

The estimated millage that will be levied for the proposed bonds in 2024, under current law, is 1.50 mills (\$1.50 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation). The maximum number of years the bonds 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 3.28 mills (\$3.28 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation).

The school district does not expect to borrow from the State to pay debt service on the bonds. The total amount of qualified bonds currently outstanding is \$7,620,000. The total amount of qualified loans currently outstanding is \$0. The estimated computed millage rate may change based on changes in certain circumstances.

(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.)

Bond Proposal

Shall Almont Community Schools, Lapeer, St. Clair, Macomb and Oakland Counties, Michigan, borrow the sum of not to exceed Ten Million Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$10,050,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefor, for the purpose of:

erecting, furnishing and equipping an addition to the primary school building; remodeling school buildings; and preparing, developing and improving playgrounds, athletic fields and sites?

The following is for informational purposes only:

The estimated millage that will be levied for the proposed bonds in 2024, under current law, is 1.10 mills (\$1.10 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation). The maximum number of years the bonds may be outstanding, exclusive of any refunding, is ten (10) years. The estimated simple average annual millage anticipated to be required to retire this bond debt is 2.13 mills (\$2.13 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation).

The school district does not expect to borrow from the State to pay debt service on the bonds. The total amount of qualified bonds currently outstanding is \$7,620,000. The total amount of qualified loans currently outstanding is \$0. The estimated computed millage rate may change based on changes in certain circumstances.

(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.)

Avondale School District

School Improvement Bond Proposition

County of Oakland, State of Michigan

Shall the Avondale School District, County of Oakland, State of Michigan, borrow the sum of not to exceed One Hundred Fifty Million Dollars (\$150,000,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds, in one or more series, to pay the cost of the following projects to create a modern learning environment for students and for health, safety, security, energy conservation and other purposes:

- Erecting, completing, equipping and furnishing a new early childhood center;
- Erecting an addition to R. Grant Graham Elementary School and remodeling, equipping and reequipping, furnishing and refurnishing school buildings and additions, including for modernizing instructional, fine arts and theater spaces, playgrounds and other facilities and erecting, equipping and furnishing a transportation maintenance facility;
- Acquiring, preparing, developing and improving sites for school buildings, including athletic fields, playgrounds and other facilities and the purchase of school buses;
- Acquiring and installing technology equipment and technology infrastructure, including for health, safety and security, in school buildings and other facilities?

The annual debt millage required to retire all bonds of the School District currently outstanding and proposed pursuant to this ballot is expected to remain at or below 7.30 mills which is an estimated -0- mill increase from the debt millage levied in 2024. The estimated millage that will be levied to pay the proposed bonds in the first year is 1.37 mills (\$1.37 per \$1,000 of taxable value) and the estimated simple average annual millage that will be required to retire each series of the bonds is 4.19 mills annually (\$4.19 per \$1,000 of taxable value). The maximum number of years the bonds may be outstanding, exclusive of refunding, is not more than twenty-five (25) years.

If approved by the voters, the repayment of the bonds will be guaranteed by the State under the School Bond Qualification and Loan Program (the "Program"). The School District currently has \$64,625,000 of qualified bonds outstanding and \$0 of qualified loans outstanding under the Program. The School District does not expect to borrow from the Program to pay debt service on these bonds. The estimated computed millage rate required to be levied to pay the proposed bonds may change in the future based on changes in certain circumstances.

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

Bloomfield Hills Schools

Operating Millage Renewal Proposal

County of Oakland State of Michigan

This proposal would renew the authority of the School District, which expires with the 2025 tax levy, to levy up to 18.00 mills for general school district operating purposes on taxable property in the School District to the extent that such property is not exempt from such levy, restrict the levy on principal residences (owner-occupied homes) to no more than 9.65 mills and protect against the impact of future Headlee rollbacks of up to 4.0 mills, This authorization would allow the School District to continue to levy the statutory limit of 18.00 mills on non-homestead property (principally industrial and commercial real property and residential rental property) and to continue to levy on principal residence property (owner occupied homes) only that portion of the mills necessary to allow the School District to receive the full revenue per pupil foundation allowance permitted by the State. The School District estimates that it will levy not more than 5.1338 mills on personal residences (owner occupied homes) in 2024.

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be imposed on taxable property in the Bloomfield Hills Schools, County of Oakland, Michigan, be increased in the amount of 22 mills, with 18 mills being the maximum allowable levy (\$18.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value), to the extent such property is not statutorily exempt, and of which not more than 9.65 mills may be imposed on principal residences, for twenty (20) years, the years 2026 to 2045, inclusive, to provide funds for operating expenses of the School District? This operating millage, if approved and levied, would provide estimated revenues to the School District of \$18,300,000 during the 2026 calendar year, to be used for general operating purposes.

Madison District Public Schools

Operating Millage Proposal

This proposal will allow the school district to levy the statutory rate of not to exceed 18 mills on all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, required for the school district to receive its revenue per pupil foundation allowance.

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, in Madison District Public Schools, Oakland County, Michigan, be increased by 2 mills (\$2.00 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 8 years, 2024 to 2031, inclusive, to provide funds for operating purposes; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2024 is approximately \$311,140 (this millage is to restore millage lost as a result of the reduction required by the Michigan Constitution of 1963 and will be levied only to the extent necessary to restore that reduction)?