

May 2021 Ballot Proposals

CITY OF FENNVILLE – PROPOSAL TO AMEND CITY CHARTER

The City Commission of the City of Fennville, Allegan County, Michigan, proposes to amend Section 6.3 (“Limit of Direct Property Taxation”) of the City Charter to change the maximum authorized levy on taxable property in the City for municipal purposes from 15 mills to 20 mills, such that Section 6.3 of the City Charter would read as follows: The annual general ad-valorem tax levy for municipal purposes shall not exceed 2.0 percent (20 mills) of the assessed value of real and personal property in the City.

Shall the proposed Charter amendment to Section 6.3 of the City Charter, as described above, be adopted?

YES _____

NO _____

MACATAWA AREA EXPRESS (MAX) TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY MILLAGE

This millage would renew for five (5) years the previous .4 mills levy which expires on December 31, 2021 for the operation of the Macatawa Area Express (MAX) Transportation Authority:

Shall the expiring previous voted increase in the tax limitations imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution, which may be assessed against all nonexempt real and personal property (both homestead and non-homestead) in the district of the Macatawa Area Express (MAX) Transportation Authority (whose geographic boundaries are coterminous with those of the City of Holland and Holland Charter Township) of .4 mills (\$0.40 per \$1,000 of taxable value), reduced to .3838 mills (\$0.3838 per \$1,000 of taxable value) by the required millage rollbacks, be renewed at and increased up to the original voted .4 mills (\$0.40 per \$1,000 of taxable value) and levied for 5 years, 2022 through 2026 inclusive, to provide funds to enable the Authority to provide, operate, and maintain services for public transportation under MCL 124.451, *et seq.*, including, but not limited to the ownership of vehicles and real and personal property, and shall the Authority be authorized to levy such tax? If the millage is approved and levied, it is estimated that it will result in revenues of \$1,035,082.00 being collected by the Authority in the 2022 calendar year.

ALLEGAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS BONDING PROPOSAL

Shall Allegan Public Schools, Allegan County, Michigan, borrow the sum of not to exceed Eighty-Seven Million Five Hundred Fifty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$87,555,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefor, in one or more series, for the purpose of:

erecting, furnishing, and equipping a new elementary school building; erecting, furnishing, and equipping a science classroom addition to the middle school building; remodeling, furnishing and refurnishing, and equipping and re-equipping school facilities; acquiring and installing instructional technology and instructional technology equipment for school facilities; purchasing school buses; and acquiring, preparing, developing, improving, and equipping playgrounds, play fields, athletic fields and sites?

The following is for informational purposes only:

The estimated millage that will be levied for the proposed bonds in 2021, under current law, is 0.14 mill (\$0.14 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 twenty-five (25) years. The estimated simple average annual millage anticipated to be required to retire this bond debt is 5.03 mills (\$5.03 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 \$14,063,106 and the estimated total interest to be paid thereon is \$18,617,723. The estimated duration of the millage levy associated with that borrowing is 26 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 \$26,975,000. The total amount of qualified loans currently outstanding is approximately \$1,471,647.

(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.)

HOLLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS BONDING PROPOSAL

Shall the School District of the City of Holland, Ottawa and Allegan Counties, Michigan, borrow the sum of not to exceed Seventy-Four Million Six Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$74,650,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefor, in one or more series, for the purpose of:

erecting additions to school buildings; remodeling, including security improvements to, furnishing and refurbishing and equipping and re-equipping school buildings; erecting school support buildings; acquiring and installing instructional technology and instructional technology equipment for school buildings; purchasing school buses; and equipping, developing and improving playgrounds, play fields, athletic fields and facilities, driveways, parking areas and sites?

The following is for informational purposes only:

The estimated millage that will be levied for the proposed bonds in 2021 is 1.58 mills (\$1.58 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a 0.25 mill net decrease from the prior year's levy. The maximum number of years the bonds of any series may be outstanding, exclusive of any refunding, is twenty-four (24) years. The estimated simple average annual millage anticipated to be required to retire this bond debt is 3.22 mills (\$3.22 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 \$15,000,000. 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.)

HUDSONVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OPERATING MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL

This proposal will allow the school district to continue 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 Hudsonville Public Schools, Ottawa and Allegan Counties, Michigan, be increased by 18 mills (\$18.00 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for the year 2021, to provide funds for operating purposes; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2021 is approximately \$5,600,000 (this is a renewal of millage that expired with the 2020 tax levy)?

SOUTH HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS BONDING PROPOSAL

Shall South Haven Public Schools, Van Buren and Allegan Counties, Michigan, borrow the sum of not to exceed Thirty-Four Million Eight Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$34,850,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefor, in one or more series, for the purpose of:

remodeling, furnishing and refurbishing, and equipping and re-equipping school facilities; acquiring and installing instructional technology and instructional technology equipment for school facilities; erecting, furnishing, and equipping team room/restroom facilities; purchasing school buses; and preparing, developing, improving, and equipping athletic facilities, athletic fields, and sites?

The following is for informational purposes only:

The estimated millage that will be levied for the proposed bonds in 2021, under current law, is 0.65 mill (\$0.65 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a 0.30 mill net decrease from the prior year's levy. The maximum number of years the bonds of any series may be outstanding, exclusive of any refunding, is thirty (30) years. The estimated simple average annual millage anticipated to be required to retire this bond debt is 1.25 mills (\$1.25 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 \$0. 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.)

ZEELAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS BONDING PROPOSAL

Shall Zeeland Public Schools, Ottawa and Allegan Counties, Michigan, borrow the sum of not to exceed Seventy-Five Million Dollars (\$75,000,000) 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, equipping and re-equipping and furnishing and refurbishing school buildings; and acquiring, preparing, equipping, developing, and improving playgrounds, playfields, athletic fields and facilities and sites?

The following is for informational purposes only:

The estimated millage that will be levied for the proposed bonds in 2021, is 1.73 mills (\$1.73 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a 0.00 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 twenty (20) years. The estimated simple average annual millage anticipated to be required to retire this bond debt is 2.10 mills (\$2.10 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.)

ZEELAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS OPERATING MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL

This proposal will allow the school district to continue 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 and renews millage that will expire with the 2021 tax levy.

Shall the currently authorized millage rate limitation of 18.7760 mills (\$18.7760 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, in Zeeland Public Schools, Ottawa and Allegan Counties, Michigan, be renewed for the year 2022, to provide funds for operating purposes; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and 18 mills are levied in 2022 is approximately \$9,242,389 (this is a renewal of millage that will expire with the 2021 tax levy)?