



**MUSKEGON COUNTY, MICHIGAN  
BALLOT PROPOSALS  
MAY 5, 2020 SPECIAL ELECTION  
OFFICIAL**

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**CITY**

**City of Norton Shores  
Proposed Amendment to Section 6.8 of the  
Charter of the City of Norton Shores to Provide for a Renewal  
Of The Up to Two (2) Mills Ten-Year Dedicated Public Safety Millage**

Shall Section 6.8 of the Charter of the City of Norton Shores, amended on February 22, 2011 to provide for a dedicated public safety millage which shall not exceed two (2) mills, be renewed for an additional ten (10) years starting in 2021 and ending in 2030?

It is estimated that the renewed millage will generate \$1,688,358.00 in first year revenue.

**Current Section 6.8**

The City shall have the power to assess taxes and to levy and collect rents, tolls and excises. Exclusive of any levies authorized by statute to be made beyond Charter tax rate limitations, the per annum ad valorem tax levy shall not exceed,  $\frac{1}{2}$  of 1%, five (5) mills for general operating fund purposes and shall not exceed  $\frac{1}{5}$ <sup>th</sup> of 1%, two (2) mills for capital improvement fund purposes, levied on assessed valuation of all real and personal property subject to taxation. The City shall have the power to assess a street millage which shall not exceed one and one half ( $1 \frac{1}{2}$ ) mills for a Street Improvement Fund, annually for a period of twenty years, beginning in 2009 and ending in 2030 to be used exclusively for street reconstruction and restoration. The City shall have the power to assess a dedicated public safety millage which shall not exceed two (2) mills for a Public Safety Fund, annually for a period of ten (10) years, beginning in 2011 and ending in 2020 to be used exclusively for public safety operations.

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## **SCHOOLS**

### **Grand Haven Area Public Schools**

#### **Operating Millage Renewal Proposal (Excluding Principal Residence And Other Exempt Property)**

(This millage will allow the School District to levy not more than the statutory rate of 18 mills against non-principal residence and other non-exempt property required for the School District to receive its revenue per pupil foundation allowance.)

Shall and expiring increase in the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, excepting therefrom principal residence property and other property exempt by law, in Grand Haven Area Public Schools, Ottawa and Muskegon Counties, Michigan, be renewed in the amount of 18.0 mills (\$18.00 on each \$1,000.00) on taxable value for one (1) year, 2020, to provide funds for school operating purposes? If this millage is approved and levied, it is estimated that revenue in the amount of \$15,333,140 will be collected by the School District in the first year.

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### **PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF THE CITY OF MUSKEGON**

#### **I. Bonding Proposal**

Shall the Public Schools of the City of Muskegon, Muskegon County, Michigan, borrow the sum of not to exceed Ninety-Three Million One Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars (\$93,110,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefor, in one or more series, for the purpose of:

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

The following is for informational purposes only:

The estimated millage that will be levied for the proposed bonds in 2021 is 7.36 mills (\$7.36 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a -0- mill increase over the 2019 debt 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 7.36 mills (\$7.36 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 \$3,620,000. 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.)

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**PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF THE CITY OF MUSKEGON**  
**II. Bonding Proposal**

Shall the Public Schools of the City of Muskegon, Muskegon County, Michigan, borrow the sum of not to exceed Eleven Million Six Hundred Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$11,670,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefor, for the purpose of:

Erecting, furnishing and equipping an auxiliary gymnasium addition to the high school building; remodeling, including security improvements to, furnishing and refurbishing and equipping and re-equipping, including fine arts and band equipment for, school buildings; acquiring and installing instructional technology and instructional technology equipment for a school building; and equipping, developing and improving athletic fields and facilities, synthetic turf improvements, parking areas, driveways and sites?

The following is for informational purposes only:

The estimated millage that will be levied for the proposed bonds in 2021 is 1.00 mill (\$1.00 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation). The maximum number of years the bonds 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 1.00 mill (\$1.00 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 \$3,620,000. 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.)