

## ELECTION 2020 Voter Information Guide

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# GENERAL ELECTION & SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION

November 3, 2020

### THIS IS NOT AN OFFICIAL SAMPLE BALLOT.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, voters are strongly encouraged to submit their ballots by USPS mail or a Vote by Mail Drop Box.

For more information visit beverlyhills.org/elections.



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### Highlights for the November 2020 Elections:

- All current registered voters in Los Angeles County will be mailed a Vote by Mail ballot.
- Voters can track their ballots using BallotTrax.
- If you are not a registered voter, the deadline to apply for a Vote by Mail ballot is Monday, October 19, 2020.

### **VOTING OPTIONS**

### Vote by Mail

### In Beverly Hills there are three (3) United States Postal Service (USPS) facilities:

- Beverly Hills Main Office: 325 N. Maple Drive 9AM-5PM (Monday – Friday); 9AM-1PM (Saturdays)
- Crescent Postal Store: 323 N. Crescent Drive 9AM-5PM (Monday – Friday)
- Beverly Station: 312 S. Beverly Drive 9AM-5PM (Monday – Friday)

\*Ballots must be postmarked by November 3, 2020 to be counted.

### Vote by Mail (VBM) Drop Boxes

There will be two (2) VBM drop boxes managed by the Los Angeles County Registrar's office which will be located at:

- City Hall (next to Kelly's Coffee & Fudge): 455 N. Rexford Drive
- Roxbury Park Community Center: 471 S. Roxbury Drive



### **VOTE CENTERS**

Due to COVID-19 health and safety measures, all in-person voters are <u>required</u> to wear face coverings.

Voters can cast their ballots at any Vote Center in Los Angeles County.

Please visit LAVOTE.NET or beverlyhills.org/elections for the latest information.

11-Days of Voting (Saturday, October 24 – Tuesday, November 3)

 City Hall: 450 N. Crescent Drive Parking Structure Please park at the 450 N. Rexford Drive Parking Structure and walk across the street to the City Hall Vote Center.

### 5-Days of Voting (Friday, October 30 – Tuesday, November 3)

- Horace Mann School (Multipurpose Room): 8701 Charleville Boulevard
- The Beverly Hills Women's Club: 1700 Chevy Chase Drive
- Roxbury Park Community Center (Outdoor Vote Center): 471 S. Roxbury Drive
- The Beverly Hilton Hotel (International Terrace): 9876 Wilshire Boulevard

Voting Times Daily include Saturdays/Sundays: 10AM – 7PM; Election Day: 7AM – 8PM. \*Locations may be added; free parking is provided.

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## ELECTION 2020



EVERY VOTE IN

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For in-person Vote Centers, press the MORE BUTTON for elections with MORE than four (4) candidates listed on the ballot machine.

Please visit LAVOTE.NET or beverlyhills.org/elections for vote centers near you.

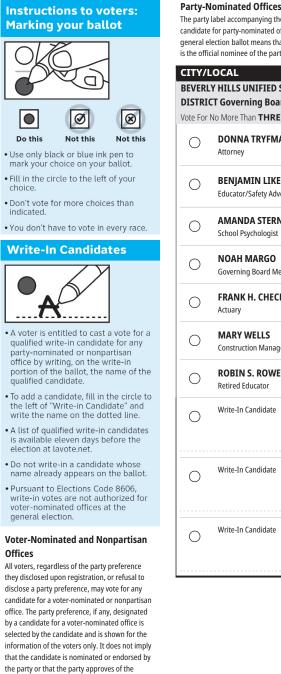
### KEEP YOUR COMMUNITY HEALTHY

VOTE EARLY AND VOTE BY MAIL

> Make a Plan to Vote: plan.lavote.net

If you are not registered and would like to receive a Vote by Mail ballot, the deadline is Monday, October 19. For more information visit LAVOTE.NET.

Beverly Hills voters will vote on Measure RP on the November 2020 ballot. Educational information provided by the City may also be found at **beverlyhills.org/MeasureRP**.



candidate. The party preference, if any, of a candidate for a nonpartisan office does not

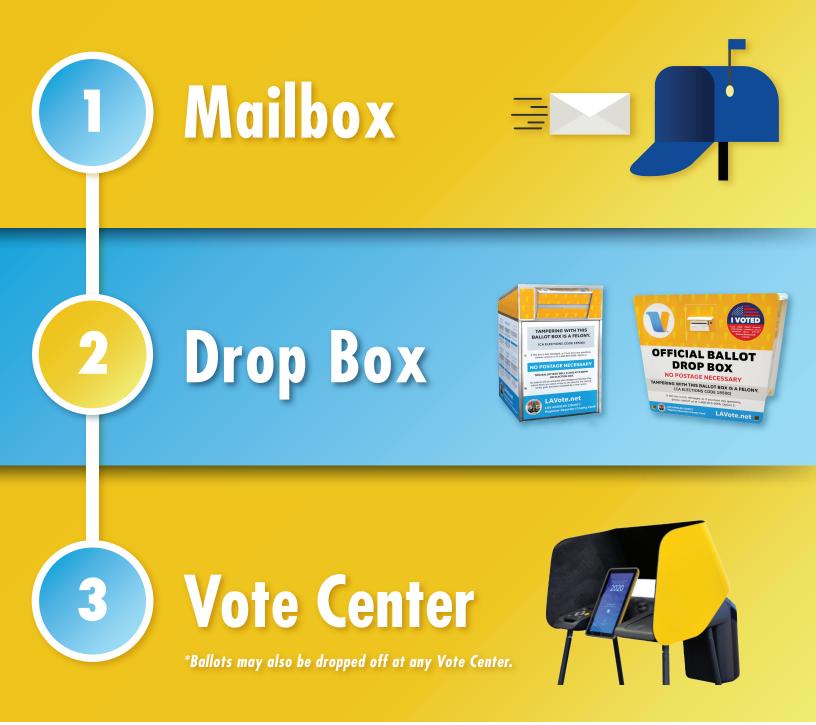
appear on the ballot.

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For No More Than <b>THREE</b>	Vote For <b>ONE</b>	O DONALD J. TRUMP
DONNA TRYFMAN Attorney	RICHARD BLOOM     Party Preference: Democratic     California State Assemblymember	for President MICHAEL R. PENCE for Vice President Republican
BENJAMIN LIKER Educator/Safety Advocate	O WILL HESS Party Preference: Democratic Writer/Director/Producer	GLORIA LA RIVA for President
AMANDA STERN School Psychologist	UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE 33rd District	SUNIL FREEMAN for Vice President Peace and Freedom
ONDER CONTRACTOR OF CONTACTOR OF CONTRACTORO	Vote For ONE TED W. LIEU	O HOWIE HAWKINS for President
FRANK H. CHECHEL Actuary	Party Preference: Democratic Congressman/Military Officer	ANGELA NICOLE WALKER for Vice President Green
MARY WELLS Construction Manager	O JAMES P. BRADLEY Party Preference: Republican CEO/Business Owner	ROQUE "ROCKY" DE LA FUENTE GUERRA
ROBIN S. ROWE Retired Educator	Revenue Protection Measure: Shall an ordinance be adopted which provides that if, and only if, another local governmental entity seeks to increase the transaction and use tax (sales tax) in Beverly Hills, then the City may prevent this tax increase and instead impose a Beverly Hills transaction and use tax by up to 3%	for President <b>KANYE OMARI WEST</b> for Vice President
Write-In Candidate		American Independent           JO JORGENSEN           for President
Write-In Candidate		JEREMY "SPIKE" COHEN for Vice President Libertarian
Write-In Candidate	(approximately \$28.06 million annually, indefinitely) so that the tax revenues will flow to Beverly Hills rather than the other governmental entity?	O JOSEPH R. BIDEN for President KAMALA D. HARRIS for Vice President
	YES on Measure RP	Democratic

End of Ballot



# Three ways to vote in the November election!



For more information please visit LAVOTE.NET, beverlyhills.org/elections or call the Beverly Hills City Clerk's Office at 310-285-2400.

(included in your official ballot)

### CITY ATTORNEY'S IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE RP

Measure RP was placed on the ballot by the Beverly Hills City Council. This Measure, if approved by the Beverly Hills voters, would prevent a regional governmental entity with taxing authority over Beverly Hills, such as the County, from imposing a regional transactions and use tax ("sales tax") increase within Beverly Hills and would instead result in the City collecting the available sales tax revenues as explained below.

The sales tax rate in Beverly Hills is 9.50%. The legal maximum rate for sales taxes in California is currently 10.25%. Consequently, there is a maximum of .75% (or <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cent) of sales tax that is available to be imposed in Beverly Hills. Any governmental entity that imposes the .75% tax will be able to keep the revenue generated by the tax and use that tax revenue to benefit the entity that imposed the tax. Furthermore, the first entity to impose the tax has the right to keep the tax. Either the City or the County or another regional governmental entity can impose a sales tax with the approval of the voters in their jurisdiction.

Measure RP would authorize the City of Beverly Hills to impose this .75% (or <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cent) sales tax so that the revenue generated from the tax would remain in Beverly Hills. Collecting this conditional tax, however, would commence if, and only if, the County or another regional governmental entity places a regional sales tax measure on a future ballot and such sales tax measure is approved by a majority of regional voters.

Thus, no tax would be collected under Measure RP currently, and no tax would be collected in the future, unless the County or another regional government has received approval to collect a tax and the regional tax was going to be collected in Beverly Hills in any case. Measure RP would ensure that, in this instance, the City received the tax revenue because the City of Beverly Hills had taken action to raise its tax to the maximum rate of 10.25% but had deferred collection.

If Measure RP is approved, and should the sales tax ever be collected as provided above, there would be no expiration date on the taxes passed by Measure RP. However, the tax implemented by Measure RP may be suspended or reduced by City Council action. Any local or regional increase of the tax rate above 10.25% would first require a change in California law and then additional voter approval.

The tax would be paid by purchasers of goods in Beverly Hills that are subject to sales tax. It is anticipated that if passed and if ever collected, that it will generate approximately \$28.06 million in annual City sales tax revenues which could be used to pay for general City operations and services. This measure requires approval by a simple majority of the City's voters.

A "yes" vote on Measure RP favors the conditional tax. A "no" vote on Measure RP opposes the conditional tax.

LAURENCE S. WIENER City Attorney, City of Beverly Hills

**ANALYSIS:** The Impartial Analysis is an impartial summary of the results of the proposed measure or proposition.

(included in your official ballot)

### **ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE RP**

A "Yes" vote on Measure RP the Revenue Protection Measure, protects our community by keeping \$28 Million in sales tax revenue in Beverly Hills rather than letting it go to Los Angeles County being spent elsewhere. Measure RP preserves local control over these tax dollars keeping their use for public safety protection, emergency preparations, infrastructure improvements, etc. This Measure is basically a Beverly Hills Tax Payer Protection Act.

YOUR CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS ARE ALL OPPOSED TO ANY NEW SALES TAX.

Currently little of the 9.5% paid on retail sales go to Beverly Hills. However, there is a maximum sales tax for Los Angeles County cities of 10.25%, meaning the County still can increase the tax by .75%. Most likely the County will in the coming years, find more reasons to raise taxes. By approving Measure RP voters can prevent the loss of \$28 Million and retain these dollars.

By approving Measure RP you will be taking a defensive step to protect local control of our tax dollars. Please understand that you will not pay an increased sales tax until the County seeks to raise taxes again. Your Council will defer the .75% increase you approve until the County acts. Once they do, the increase will begin and the dollars will be reserved for use in Beverly Hills.

Rather than lose \$28 Million to Los Angeles County, let's keep it home where we all can benefit from its use. AGAIN, NO CITY COLLECTION UNLESS THE COUNTY TRIES TO!

Yes on Measure RP.

LESTER J. FRIEDMAN Mayor, City of Beverly Hills

**ROBERT WUNDERLICH** Vice Mayor, City of Beverly Hills

JOHN MIRISCH Councilmember, City of Beverly Hills

LILI BOSSE Councilmember, City of Beverly Hills

JULIAN A. GOLD, M.D. Councilmember, City of Beverly Hills

### NO ARGUMENT AGAINST THIS MEASURE WAS SUBMITTED

**ARGUMENTS:** Arguments and/or rebuttal arguments in support of or in opposition to the proposed laws are the opinions of the authors and have not been checked for accuracy by any official agency.





The Human Relations Commission of the City of Beverly Hills strives to promote positive human relations in all aspects of community life.

We believe that the examination of diverse candidates and challenging issues can be conducted with great civility.

While our schools may provide civics education in the classroom, we citizens are obligated to provide our young people with a real life model of positive civic behavior that we teach by example.

> We hope that every member of this community will join us as we take a stand in support of an environment where respect and responsible actions prevail in all elections and in every aspect of our community life.

> > Adopted by City Council March 2, 2010

### **BHUSD Candidates**

### **Beverly Hills Unified School District (BHUSD) Candidates** There are SEVEN (7) candidates, vote for three (3) seats.



#### **DONNA TRYFMAN** (Attorney)

Candidate for Beverly Hills Unified **School District Governing Board** Member

Email: donna@donnatryfman2020.com Website: www.donnatryfman2020.com Phone: (310) 293-6959



FRANK H. CHECHEL (Actuary)

Candidate for Beverly Hills Unified School District Governing Board Member

Email: Info@votefrank2020.com Website: www.votefrank2020.com Phone: n/a



**BENJAMIN LIKER** (Educator/Safety Advocate)

Candidate for Beverly Hills Unified School District Governing Board Member

Email: likerforschoolboard@gmail.com Website: www.liker2020.com Phone: (310) 991-0410



Phone: (310) 362-6946

MARY WELLS

Member

(Construction Manager)

Candidate for Beverly Hills Unified

Email: Mary@VoteMaryWells2020.com

Website: www.VoteMaryWells2020.com

School District Governing Board

**ROBIN ROWE** (Retired Educator)

Candidate for Beverly Hills Unified School District Governing Board Member

Email: robinsrowe@gmail.com Website: www.robinsrowe.com Phone: (323) 535-0952



AMANDA STERN (School Psychologist)

Candidate for Beverly Hills Unified School District Governing Board Member

Email: mandystern01@gmail.com Website: www.VoteAmanda2020.org Phone: (310) 801-4678



**NOAH MARGO** (Governing Board Member)

Candidate for Beverly Hills Unified **School District Governing Board** Member

Email: HelloNoahMargo2020@gmail.com Website: www.NoahMargo2020.com Phone: (310) 985-0337





The California Secretary of State is now offering voters a new way to track and receive notifications on the status of their vote-by-mail ballot. Powered by BallotTrax, Where's My Ballot? lets voters know where their ballot is, and its status, every step of the way.

Sign-up at WheresMyBallot.sos.ca.gov to receive automatic email, SMS (text), or voice call notifications about your ballot.

> Tracking your ballot —when it is mailed, received, and counted has never been easier.

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Beverly Hills City Clerk's Office 455 N. Rexford Drive, Suite 290 Beverly Hills, CA 90210 310-285-2400



### GENERAL ELECTION & SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2020

#### ELECTION DAY 7:00 AM - 8:00 PM

NOTE: The COMPLETE SAMPLE BALLOT and VOTE BY MAIL BALLOT and INFORMATION ON VOTE CENTERS are being mailed under separate cover as required by the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk, whose office is conducting this election.