

NOTE: If your county has partisan and nonpartisan city and village offices, the partisan city or village offices must appear first on the ballot, followed by judge and clerk of municipal court (if applicable) and then the nonpartisan city or village offices.

OFFICIAL GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT

A	_____County	B	General Election	C	November 7, 2023
Instructions to Voter • To vote: completely darken the oval (●) to the left of your choice. • Note the permitted number of choices directly below the title of each candidate office. Do not mark the ballot for more choices than allowed. • If you mark the ballot for more choices than permitted, that contest or question will not be counted. • To vote for a write-in candidate: completely darken the oval (●) to the left of the blank line and write in the candidate's name. Only votes cast for candidates who filed as write-in candidates can be counted. • Do not write in a candidate's name if that person's name already is printed on the ballot for that same contest. • If you make a mistake or want to change your vote: return your ballot to an election official and get a new ballot. You may ask for a new ballot up to two times.		CITY OF _____		For Member of Council (_____Ward) (Vote for not more than 1)	
		For Mayor (Vote for not more than 1)		☐ Print Candidate Name (Insert party affiliation or ballot designation, if any)	
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		☐ Print Candidate Name (Insert party affiliation or ballot designation, if any)			
		For President of Council (Vote for not more than 1)		VILLAGE OF _____	
		☐ Print Candidate Name (Insert party affiliation or ballot designation, if any)		For Mayor (Vote for not more than 1)	
		☐ Print Candidate Name (Insert party affiliation or ballot designation, if any)		☐ Print Candidate Name (Insert party affiliation or ballot designation, if any)	
				☐ Print Candidate Name (Insert party affiliation or ballot designation, if any)	
		For Auditor (Vote for not more than 1)		For Clerk-Treasurer (Vote for not more than 1)	
		☐ Print Candidate Name (Insert party affiliation or ballot designation, if any)		☐ Print Candidate Name (Insert party affiliation or ballot designation, if any)	
		☐ Print Candidate Name (Insert party affiliation or ballot designation, if any)		☐ Print Candidate Name (Insert party affiliation or ballot designation, if any)	
		For Treasurer (Vote for not more than 1)		For Clerk (Vote for not more than 1)	
		☐ Print Candidate Name (Insert party affiliation or ballot designation, if any)		☐ Print Candidate Name (Insert party affiliation or ballot designation, if any)	
		☐ Print Candidate Name (Insert party affiliation or ballot designation, if any)		☐ Print Candidate Name (Insert party affiliation or ballot designation, if any)	
		For Director of Law (Vote for not more than 1)		For Treasurer (Vote for not more than 1)	
		☐ Print Candidate Name (Insert party affiliation or ballot designation, if any)		☐ Print Candidate Name (Insert party affiliation or ballot designation, if any)	
		☐ Print Candidate Name (Insert party affiliation or ballot designation, if any)		☐ Print Candidate Name (Insert party affiliation or ballot designation, if any)	
		For Member of Council at Large (Vote for not more than _____)		For Member of Council (Vote for not more than _____)	
		☐ Print Candidate Name (Insert party affiliation or ballot designation, if any)		☐ Print Candidate Name (Insert party affiliation or ballot designation, if any)	
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D	_____County	E	General Election	F	November 7, 2023
For Member of Board of Trustees of Public Affairs (Vote for not more than ____)		For Member of Council (____Ward) (Vote for not more than 1)		_____COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER	
☐ Print Candidate Name (Insert party affiliation or ballot designation, if any)		☐ Print Candidate Name		For Member of Governing Board of Educational Service Center (Vote for not more than ____)	
☐ Print Candidate Name (Insert party affiliation or ballot designation, if any)		☐ Print Candidate Name		☐ Print Candidate Name	
_____MUNICIPAL COURT		VILLAGE OF _____		☐ Print Candidate Name	
For Judge of Municipal Court (Full term commencing XX-XX-20XX) (Vote for not more than 1)		For Mayor (Vote for not more than 1)		☐ Print Candidate Name	
☐ Print Candidate Name		☐ Print Candidate Name		☐ Print Candidate Name	
☐ Print Candidate Name		☐ Print Candidate Name		_____SCHOOL DISTRICT	
For Clerk of Municipal Court (Vote for not more than 1)		For Clerk-Treasurer (Vote for not more than 1)		For Member of Board of Education (Vote for not more than ____)	
☐ Print Candidate Name		☐ Print Candidate Name		☐ Print Candidate Name	
☐ Print Candidate Name		☐ Print Candidate Name		☐ Print Candidate Name	
For Clerk of Municipal Court (Vote for not more than 1)		For Clerk (Vote for not more than 1)			
☐ Print Candidate Name		☐ Print Candidate Name			
☐ Print Candidate Name		☐ Print Candidate Name			
CITY OF _____		For Treasurer (Vote for not more than 1)			
For Mayor (Vote for not more than 1)		☐ Print Candidate Name			
☐ Print Candidate Name		☐ Print Candidate Name			
☐ Print Candidate Name		For Member of Council (Vote for not more than ____)			
For President of Council (Vote for not more than 1)		☐ Print Candidate Name			
☐ Print Candidate Name		☐ Print Candidate Name			
☐ Print Candidate Name		For Member of Board of Trustees of Public Affairs (Vote for not more than ____)			
For Auditor (Vote for not more than 1)		☐ Print Candidate Name			
☐ Print Candidate Name		☐ Print Candidate Name			
☐ Print Candidate Name		TOWNSHIP OF _____			
For Treasurer (Vote for not more than 1)		For Township Trustee (Vote for not more than 1)			
☐ Print Candidate Name		☐ Print Candidate Name			
☐ Print Candidate Name		☐ Print Candidate Name			
For Director of Law (Vote for not more than 1)		For Township Fiscal Officer (Vote for not more than 1)			
☐ Print Candidate Name		☐ Print Candidate Name			
☐ Print Candidate Name		☐ Print Candidate Name			
For Member of Council at Large (Vote for not more than ____)					
☐ Print Candidate Name					
☐ Print Candidate Name					
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OFFICIAL GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT

G	_____County	H	General Election	I	November 7, 2023
Issue 1 A Self-Executing Amendment Relating to Abortion and Other Reproductive Decisions Proposed Constitutional Amendment Proposed by Initiative Petition To enact Section 22 of Article I of the Constitution of the State of Ohio A majority yes vote is necessary for the amendment to pass.		Issue 2 To Commercialize, Regulate, Legalize, and Tax the Adult Use of Cannabis Proposed Law Proposed by Initiative Petition To enact Chapter 3780 of the Ohio Revised Code A majority yes vote is necessary for the law to pass.		- Prohibit certain local government entities from limiting specific research, levying a tax, or charge on adult use operations, their owner, or their property not generally charged on other business, and prohibit certain local government entities from prohibiting or limiting adult use cannabis home grow or prohibiting or restricting an activity authorized by the proposed law; - Authorize a landlord or an employer to prohibit the adult use of cannabis in certain circumstances, and prohibit the operation of a motor vehicle while using or under the influence of adult use cannabis and from using any other combustible adult use cannabis while a passenger in a motor vehicle; - Limit criminal liability for certain financial institutions that provide financial services to any lawful adult use cannabis operator or testing laboratory licensed under the proposed law; - Require the Division to enter into an agreement with the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services to create a program for cannabis addiction services; - Provide for the creation of five funds in the state treasury: the adult use tax fund; the cannabis social equity and jobs fund; the host community cannabis fund; the substance abuse and addiction fund; and the division of cannabis control and tax commissioner fund; and - Provide for taxation of 10 percent on the sale of adult use cannabis by dispensaries in addition to usual sales taxes and require that all monies collected from the 10 percent tax levied to be deposited into the adult use tax fund and quarterly distributed as follows: 36 percent to the cannabis social equity and jobs fund; 36 percent to the host community cannabis facilities fund; 25 percent to the substance abuse and addiction fund; and three percent to the division of cannabis control and tax commission fund. If passed, the law will become effective 30 days after the election. SHALL THE PROPOSED LAW BE ADOPTED? ☐ YES ☐ NO	
The proposed amendment would: - Establish in the Constitution of the State of Ohio an individual right to one’s own reproductive medical treatment, including but not limited to abortion; - Create legal protections for any person or entity that assists a person with receiving reproductive medical treatment, including but not limited to abortion; - Prohibit the State from directly or indirectly burdening, penalizing, or prohibiting abortion before an unborn child is determined to be viable, unless the State demonstrates that it is using the least restrictive means; - Grant a pregnant woman’s treating physician the authority to determine, on a case-by-case basis, whether an unborn child is viable; - Only allow the State to prohibit an abortion after an unborn child is determined by a pregnant woman’s treating physician to be viable and only if the physician does not consider the abortion necessary to protect the pregnant woman’s life or health; and - Always allow an unborn child to be aborted at any stage of pregnancy, regardless of viability if, in the treating physician’s determination, the abortion is necessary to protect the pregnant woman’s life or health. If passed, the amendment will become effective 30 days after the election. SHALL THE AMENDMENT BE APPROVED? ☐ YES ☐ NO		To enact Chapter 3780 of the Ohio Revised Code, which would: - Define adult use cannabis to mean marijuana as defined in Section 3719.01 of the Revised Code and establish the Division of Cannabis Control (the “Division”) within the Department of Commerce; - Authorize the Division to regulate, investigate, and penalize adult use cannabis operators, adult use testing laboratories, and individuals required to be licensed; - Legalize and regulate the cultivation, processing, sale, purchase, possession, home grow, and use of cannabis by adults at least twenty-one years of age; - Create additional protections for individuals who engage in permitted adult use cannabis conduct; - Establish the cannabis social equity and jobs program and require the Department of Development to certify program applicants based on social and economic disadvantage; - Define “social disadvantage” to include membership in a racial or ethnic minority group, disability status, gender, or long-term residence in an area of high unemployment; - Shield certain confidential information from disclosure to the public, including but not limited to any information reported to or collected by the Division that identifies or would tend to identify any adult use cannabis consumer and prohibit the Department of Development from releasing certain application information as public records; - Require the Division to provide preferential treatment to applicants who have qualified for the cannabis social equity and jobs program based on social disadvantage when issuing level III adult use cannabis cultivator licenses and dispensary licenses;			
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This **SAMPLE** ballot provides the **CORRECT** ballot format, title, and language for the state issues that must appear on the November 2023 General Election ballot. See Directive 2023-18 and Chapter 5 of the Election Official Manual.

OFFICIAL QUESTIONS AND ISSUES BALLOT

J	_____County	K	General Election	L	November 7, 2023
Proposed Tax Levy (Additional) _____ (name of subdivision) A majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage. An additional tax for the benefit of _____ (name of subdivision or public library) for the purpose of _____ that the county auditor estimates will collect \$_____ annually, at a rate not exceeding _____ mills for each \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$_____ for each \$100,000 of the county auditor's appraised value, for _____ (life of indebtedness, number of years levy to run, or a continuing period of time) commencing in _____, (first year tax to be levied) first due in calendar year _____. (first calendar year tax due) ☐ FOR THE TAX LEVY ☐ AGAINST THE TAX LEVY		Local Liquor Option (By Petition) A majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage. Shall the sale of _____ (insert above one or more of the following three choices: "beer"; "wine and mixed beverages"; or "spirituous liquor") be permitted by _____ [insert name (as submitted to Division of Liquor Control) of liquor permit holder or applicant, or liquor agency store, including, if applicable, trade or fictitious name under which applicant for, or holder of, liquor permit or liquor agency store either does, or intends to do, business at the particular location] a(n) _____ (insert "an applicant for" or "a holder of" or "an operator of") a _____ (insert name of the type of liquor permit or permits or, if appropriate, "liquor agency store for the State of Ohio") who is engaged in the business of _____ (insert general nature of the business in which liquor permit holder or applicant is engaged, or will be engaged, at the particular location) at _____ (insert address of the particular location within the precinct) in this precinct? ☐ YES ☐ NO		Insert board member signatures	
Proposed Municipal Income Tax _____ (name of subdivision) A majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage. Shall the Ordinance providing for a _____ percent levy on income for _____ (brief description of purpose of the levy) be passed? ☐ FOR THE INCOME TAX ☐ AGAINST THE INCOME TAX				Page 4 of 4	
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