



Voter Guide 2026

Bexar County Young Democrats

A tool to help you get started in understanding your ballot better – particularly those races you may not have heard much about!

*To see the full sample ballot in Bexar County, go here:
<https://elections.bexar.gov/163/Election-Information>*

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i NOTE: While Bexar County Young Democrats has endorsed particular candidates during their respective primaries, primary run-offs, and general elections – we ultimately encourage people to support all the Democratic nominees.

Federal

United States Senator

- ★ Ken Paxton (REP)
- ★ James Talarico (DEM) – BCYD-Endorsed (Primary)
- ★ Ted Brown (LIB)
- ★ Write-in

United States Representative, District 20

- ★ Edgardo Rafael Baez (REP)
- ★ Joaquin Castro (DEM) – BCYD-Endorsed (Primary)

United States Representative, District 21

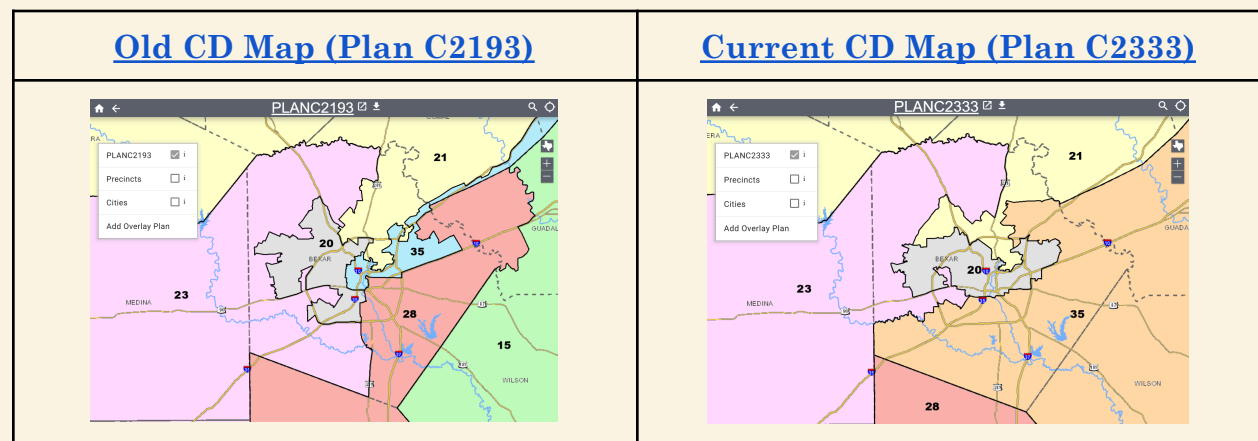
- ★ Mark Teixeira (REP)
- ★ Kristin Hook (DEM) – BCYD-Endorsed (Primary/General)

United States Representative, District 23

- ★ Brandon Herrera (REP)
- ★ Katy Padilla Stout (DEM) – BCYD-Endorsed (Primary/General)
- ★ Ben Mendoza (IND)

United States Representative, District 35

- ★ Carlos De La Cruz (REP)
- ★ Johnny C. Garcia (DEM) – BCYD-Endorsed (General)



State

Governor

- ★ Greg Abbott (REP)
- ★ [Gina Hinojosa \(DEM\) – BCYD-Endorsed \(Primary\)](#)
- ★ Pat Dixon (LIB)
- ★ Write-in

Lieutenant Governor

- ★ Dan Patrick (REP)
- ★ [Vikki Goodwin \(DEM\) – BCYD-Endorsed \(Primary/Run-Off\)](#)
- ★ Anthony Cristo (LIB)
- ★ Kevin McCormick (GRN)
- ★ Write-in

Attorney General

- ★ Mayes Middleton (REP)
- ★ [Nathan Johnson \(DEM\)](#)
- ★ Tom Oxford (LIB)

Comptroller of Public Accounts

- ★ Don Huffines (REP)
- ★ [Sarah Eckhardt \(DEM\) – BCYD-Endorsed \(Primary\)](#)
- ★ V. Alonzo Echavarria-Garza (LIB)
- ★ Shehla Faizi (GRN)

Commissioner of the General Land Office

- ★ Dawn Buckingham (REP)
- ★ [Benjamin Flores \(DEM\)](#)
- ★ Neill Snider (LIB)

Commissioner of Agriculture

- ★ Nate Sheets (REP)
- ★ [Clayton Tucker \(DEM\) – BCYD-Endorsed \(Primary\)](#)
- ★ Austin R. Kelly (LIB)

Railroad Commissioner

- ★ Bo French (REP)
- ★ [Jon Rosenthal \(DEM\) – BCYD-Endorsed \(Primary\)](#)
- ★ Arthur Dibianca (LIB)

Chief Justice, Supreme Court

- ★ Jimmy Blacklock (REP)
- ★ [Maggie Ellis \(DEM\) – BCYD-Endorsed \(Primary\)](#)

Justice, Supreme Court, Place 2 - Unexpired Term

- ★ James P. Sullivan (REP)
- ★ [Chari Kelly \(DEM\)](#)

Justice, Supreme Court, Place 7

- ★ Kyle Hawkins (REP)
- ★ [Kristen Hawkins \(DEM\) – BCYD-Endorsed \(Primary\)](#)

Justice, Supreme Court, Place 8

- ★ Brett Busby (REP)
- ★ [Gisela D. Triana \(DEM\)](#)

Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 3

- ★ Thomas Smith (REP)
- ★ [Okey Anyiam \(DEM\)](#)
- ★ Mark Ash (LIB)

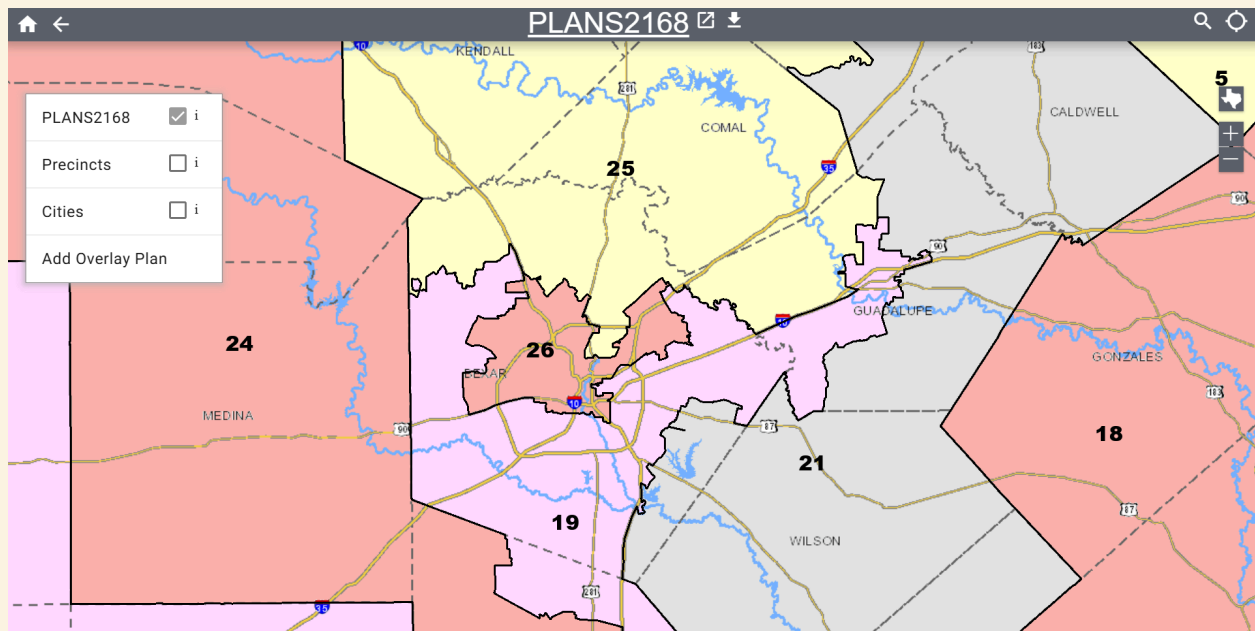
Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 4

- ★ Kevin Patrick Yeary (REP)
- ★ [Audra Riley \(DEM\)](#)

Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 9

- ★ John Messinger (REP)
- ★ [Holly Taylor \(DEM\) – BCYD-Endorsed \(Primary\)](#)

Map of State Senate Districts



State Senator, District 19

- ★ Marcus Cardenas (REP)
- ★ Roland Gutierrez (DEM) – BCYD-Endorsed (Primary)

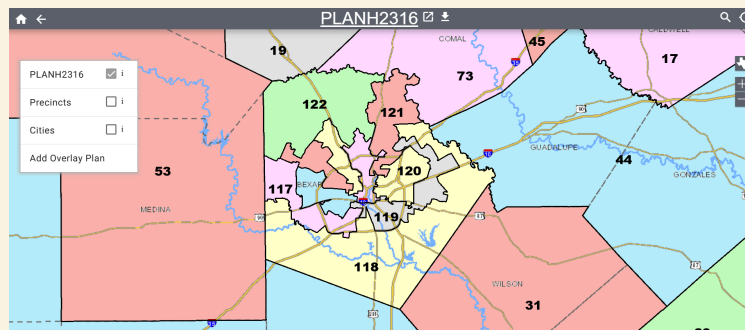
State Senator, District 21

- ★ Julie Dahlberg (REP)
- ★ Judith Zaffirini (DEM)

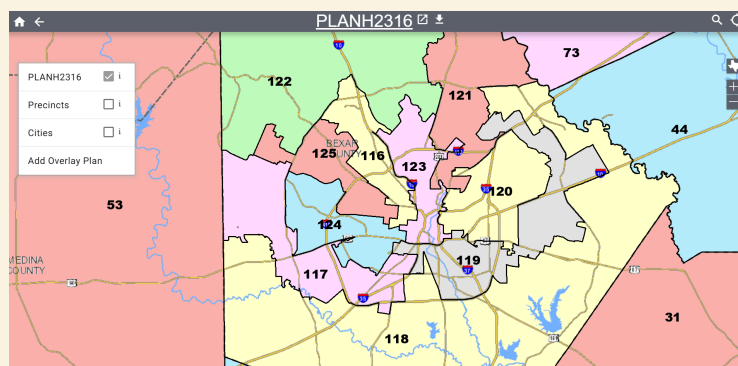
State Senator, District 26

- ★ Jose Menendez (DEM) – BCYD-Endorsed (Primary)
- ★ Julián Villarreal (GRN)

Map of State House Districts (Zoomed Out)



Map of State House Districts (Zoomed In)



State Representative, District 116

★ Rhett Rosenquest Smith (REP)

★ **Trey Martinez Fischer (DEM) – BCYD-Endorsed (Primary)**

State Representative, District 117

★ Ben Mostyn (REP)

★ **Philip Cortez (DEM)**

State Representative, District 118

★ Jorge Borrego (REP)

★ **Kristian Carranza (DEM) – BCYD-Endorsed (Primary/General)**

State Representative, District 119

★ Melva Perez (REP)

★ **Elizabeth “Liz” Campos (DEM)**

State Representative, District 120

★ **Barbara Gervin-Hawkins (DEM)**

State Representative, District 121

- ★ Marc Lahood (REP)
- ★ Zack Dunn (DEM) – BCYD-Endorsed (Primary/General)

State Representative, District 122

- ★ Mark Dorazio (REP)
- ★ Shelly Nickels (DEM)

State Representative, District 123

- ★ Diego Bernal (DEM)

State Representative, District 124

- ★ Sylvia Soto (REP)
- ★ Josey Garcia (DEM) – BCYD-Endorsed (Primary)
- ★ Write-in

State Representative, District 125

- ★ Ricardo “Rick” Martinez (REP)
- ★ Adrian Reyna (DEM) – BCYD-Endorsed (Primary/Run-Off/General)

Chief Justice, 15th Court of Appeals District

- ★ Scott Brister (REP)
- ★ Jerry Zimmerer (DEM)

Justice, 15th Court of Appeals District, Place 2

- ★ Scott K. Field (REP)
- ★ Tom Baker (DEM)

Justice, 15th Court of Appeals District, Place 3

- ★ April Farris (REP)
- ★ Marc M. Meyer (DEM)

Chief Justice, 4th Court of Appeals District

- ★ Bert Richardson (REP)
- ★ Antonia “Toni” Arteaga (DEM) – BCYD-Endorsed (Primary)

District Judge, 45th Judicial District

- ★ Mary Lou Alvarez (DEM) – BCYD-Endorsed (Primary)

District Judge, 144th Judicial District

★ Michael De Leon (DEM)

District Judge, 150th Judicial District

★ Monique Diaz (DEM) – BCYD-Endorsed (Primary)

District Judge, 186th Judicial District

★ Kristina Escalona (DEM)

District Judge, 187th Judicial District

★ Stephanie Franco (DEM) – BCYD-Endorsed (Primary)

District Judge, 224th Judicial District

★ Marisa Flores (DEM) – BCYD-Endorsed (Primary)

District Judge, 225th Judicial District

★ Benjamin Robertson (REP)

★ Christine Vasquez Hortick (DEM) – BCYD-Endorsed (General)

District Judge, 226th Judicial District

★ Anastacia “Ana” Ochoa Nelson (DEM) – BCYD-Endorsed (Primary)

District Judge, 227th Judicial District

★ Christine Del Prado (DEM)

District Judge, 285th Judicial District

★ Nadine Melissa Nieto (DEM)

District Judge, 288th Judicial District

★ Cynthia Marie Chapa (DEM) – BCYD-Endorsed (Primary)

District Judge, 289th Judicial District

★ Rose Sosa (DEM)

District Judge, 290th Judicial District

★ Jennifer Pena (DEM)

District Judge, 436th Judicial District

★ Raymond A. Villareal (DEM)

District Judge, 437th Judicial District

★ **Joel Perez (DEM)**

Bexar County Criminal District Attorney

★ **Ashley Foster (REP)**

★ **Luz Elena Chapa (DEM)**

★ **Jason Wolff (IND)**

County

County Judge

★ **Patrick Von Dohlen (REP)**

★ **Ron Nirenberg (DEM) – BCYD-Endorsed (Primary)**

Judge, County Court at Law No. 1

★ **Bob Behrens (REP)**

★ **Helen Petry Stowe (DEM)**

Judge, County Court at Law No. 2

★ **Melissa Saenz (DEM)**

Judge, County Court at Law No. 3

★ **David J. Rodriguez (DEM)**

Judge, County Court at Law No. 4

★ **Jason Roland Garrahan (REP)**

★ **Alfredo Ximenez (DEM)**

Judge, County Court at Law No. 5

★ **Andrea Arevalos (DEM)**

Judge, County Court at Law No. 6

★ **Erica Dominguez (DEM)**

Judge, County Court at Law No. 7

★ **Melanie M. Lira (DEM)**

Judge, County Court at Law No. 8

★ Celeste Brown (REP)

★ Victoria Cruz (DEM) – BCYD-Endorsed (Primary)

Judge, County Court at Law No. 9

★ Daphne Previti Austin (REP)

★ Jessica A. Gonzalez (DEM)

Judge, County Court at Law No. 10

★ Cesar Garcia (DEM) – BCYD-Endorsed (Primary/Run-Off)

Judge, County Court at Law No. 11

★ Erica Peña (DEM)

Judge, County Court at Law No. 12

★ Deborah Dietzmann (REP)

★ Lauren Zamora (DEM) – BCYD-Endorsed (Primary)

Judge, County Court at Law No. 13

★ Alicia “Ali” Perez (DEM) – BCYD-Endorsed (Primary)

Judge, County Court at Law No. 14

★ Audrey Martinez (DEM) – BCYD-Endorsed (Primary)

Judge, County Court at Law No. 15

★ Melissa Vara (DEM)

Judge, Probate Court No. 1

★ Oscar J. Kazen (DEM)

Judge, Probate Court No. 2

★ Veronica Vasquez (DEM) – BCYD-Endorsed (Primary)

District Clerk

★ Christine “Chris” Castillo (DEM) – BCYD-Endorsed (Primary/Run-Off)

County Clerk

★ Lucy Adame-Clark (DEM) – BCYD-Endorsed (Primary/Run-Off)

County Commissioner Precinct 2

★ David Sherwood Hill (REP)

★ Justin Rodriguez (DEM) – BCYD-Endorsed (Primary)

County Commissioner Precinct 4

★ Tommy Calvert Jr. (DEM)

★ Roy Anthony II (IND)

Justice of the Peace Precinct 1

★ Armando Cruz Jr. (DEM) – BCYD-Endorsed (Primary)

Justice of the Peace Precinct 3

★ Julie Bray Patterson (REP)

Justice of the Peace Precinct 4

★ Anna Campos (DEM)

Bexar Central Appraisal District – General Election

i *The appraisal district decides how much a property is worth and the amount owed in property taxes are based on that appraisal, 3 of the 9 directors are up for election county-wide to serve a four year term. For more information see our document on Appraisal Districts (linked on our website).*

For Director, Place No. 1

★ Susan Bayne

★ Diana Arévalo – BCYD-Endorsed (General)

For Director, Place No. 2

★ Leticia Anguiano

★ Erika Hizel – Incumbent, BCYD-Endorsed (General)

For Director, Place No. 3

★ Jon Melendez – Incumbent

i *Jon Melendez is an organizer for “Americans for Prosperity” – a conservative/libertarian political advocacy group founded by David Koch which has a Super PAC arm that has endorsed numerous Republicans for the U.S. Senate and U.S. House. He also served in the U.S. Marine Corps and as a civilian in the Department of Defense ([Ballotpedia, n.d.](#), [Drusch 2026](#)).*

Map of Bexar County and Municipalities



City of China Grove – Special Election

City of China Grove – Proposition

“THE REAUTHORIZATION OF THE LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX IN THE CITY OF CHINA GROVE, TEXAS, AT THE RATE OF ONE- FOURTH OF ONE PERCENT (0.25%) TO CONTINUE PROVIDING REVENUE FOR MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF MUNICIPAL STREETS. THE TAX EXPIRES ON THE FOURTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DATE OF THIS ELECTION UNLESS THE IMPOSITION OF THE TAX IS REAUTHORIZED.”

i *To reauthorize China Grove’s sales and use tax of 0.25%, expected to be used for maintenance and repair of streets in China Grove. Said tax would, if not reauthorized, expire November 3rd, 2030 (four years after November 3rd, 2026).*

NOTE: Local authorities, under the Texas Constitution and state law, are limited in what taxes they can levy and subsequently rely on property taxes (A.K.A. “ad valorem taxes”), local sales and use taxes, and hotel occupancy taxes ([Texas Legislative Council Research Division 2002, Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. a, Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. b](#)).

★ **FOR**

★ **AGAINST**

City of Converse – General Election

i *The positions of Mayor and Place 1, 3, 5 will be up in 2027, only Place 2, 4, and 6 are up in even-year elections ([City of Converse, n.d.](#)).*

For City Council, Place 2

★ Renée Paschall – incumbent

i *Renée Paschall is a supporter of public schools having previously served as a teacher at Judson ISD and further served eight years on the JISD board. She is the first Black woman elected to Converse city council and has served with the body for six years ([Decent Ballot, n.d.](#), [Ortiz 2026](#), [Gardner 2019](#), [McCollough 2009](#)).*

★ Orlando D. Cruz

i *Orlando Cruz has served as chair of the Converse Parks & Recreation Commission for three and a half and is also a community volunteer. His background is in engineering, managing construction projects, and event organizing in Converse ([Orlando D. Cruz Campaign 2026 – Facebook](#)).*

For City Council, Place 4

★ Bradley Heinz

i *Bradley Heinz is a Republican Precinct Chair and serves as a city commissioner for Converse. He appears to be associated with the Young Republicans in Bexar and Guadalupe County. He has been endorsed by the Chair of the Republican Party of Texas, has attended Trump’s rally at the Freedman Coliseum, and has supported Ken Paxton ([Heinz 2026 – Facebook](#)). – Previously ran in 2024*

★ Jessica Ann Hannah – incumbent

i *Jessica Ann Hannah has a background in social work, non-profit leadership, and community engagement. She is a Black woman serving on Converse city council and is running to make Converse stronger and more connected ([Jessica Hannah for City Council Place 4 – Website](#))*

For City Council, Place 6

★ Nawid Zazai

i *Nawid Zazai has served on the Converse Planning & Zoning Commission to which he received recognition for his “outstanding service.” He was involved with the Tri-County Partnership and Northeast Partnership for Economic Development. He is running under “new voice, new vision” ([Nawid Zazai for Converse Texas 2026](#), [Nawid Zazai for Converse Place 6th City Council – Facebook and Website](#)).*

★ **Nancy Droneburg – incumbent**

i *A longtime council member who previously served in Place 1. In March she voted with Mayor Al Suarez against appointing Jessica Hannah to Place 4. She narrowly defeated Marc Gilbert in 2024 with 51% of the vote ([Decent Ballot, n.d.](#))*

★ **Marc Gilbert**

i *Marc Gilbert previously served as Converse City Councilmember from 2018-24. He also ran for Mayor of Converse in 2025 where he came in fourth (last). He received his PhD in Organizational Leadership from the University of the Incarnate Word (UIW). He appears to have helped with/worked for the Public Library ([Gilbert 2026](#), [Marc Gilbert Facebook](#) – LinkedIn and Facebook).*

City of Converse – Special Election

CITY OF CONVERSE – PROPOSITION

“Shall the VIA San Antonio Metropolitan Transit Authority Service be discontinued in the City of Converse, Texas?”

i *This election has been called as the city proposes moving away from participating in VIA Transit bus services and transitioning to a reservation-based system through Alamo Regional Transit (ART) with connections to VIA through Randolph Park & Ride. The city claims there will be no charge to riders for the ART portion of a trip. They have Town Hall Meetings about ART on October 15, 22, and 29 from 6pm-8pm ([City of Converse 2026](#)).*

★ **For**

i *The city claims that transitioning to ART will free up tax revenue for other municipal services while also increasing coverage as VIA Transit only serves, by their estimates, 24% of the city. ART would offer services throughout the city, at Randolph Park & Ride, and at Northeast Lakeview College ([City of Converse 2026](#)).*

★ **Against**

i *The ballot measure notably does not include direct verbiage regarding ART and the transition appears instead to be a promise by the city. ART would require at least 24 hours to make a reservation (with bookings up to 30 days in advance) – with such reservations also including accessibility accommodation requests. It is unclear how connections to VIA would work – and this could contradict their claim that no schedule is a benefit as VIA would still have a schedule for any connection. Additionally, if not done well, ART could complicate Converse’s connections with other parts of Bexar County.*

CITY OF CONVERSE – PROPOSITION

“The Reauthorization of the Local Sales and Use Tax in the City of Converse, Texas, at the rate of 1/4 Percent to continue providing revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets. The tax expires on the fourth anniversary of the date of this election unless the imposition of the tax is reauthorized.”

i To reauthorize Converse’s sales and use tax of 0.25%, expected to be used for maintenance and repair of streets in Converse. Said tax would, if not reauthorized, expire November 3rd, 2030 (four years after November 3rd, 2026).

NOTE: Local authorities, under the Texas Constitution and state law, are limited in what taxes they can levy and subsequently rely on property taxes (A.K.A. “ad valorem taxes”), local sales and use taxes, and hotel occupancy taxes (Texas Legislative Council Research Division 2002, Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. a, Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. b).

★ For

★ Against

Town of Hollywood Park – Special Election

TOWN OF HOLLYWOOD PARK - PROPOSITION A

“THE TERMINATION OF THE HOLLYWOOD PARK ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AND ITS ASSOCIATED SALES TAX; AND THE REALLOCATION OF ONE-EIGHTH OF ONE PERCENT SALES AND USE TAX FROM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TO ONE-EIGHTH OF ONE PERCENT SALES AND USE TAX REVENUE FOR MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF MUNICIPAL STREETS. THIS WOULD RESULT IN NO CHANGE IN THE TOTAL SALES TAX RATE.”

i The Hollywood Park Economic Development Corporation (EDC) was created to attract businesses and increase the tax base and economic development of the Town of Hollywood Park. They create various initiatives/proposals to support economic development projects and serve as a liaison between the Town of Hollywood Park and the business community ([Hollywood Park, n.d.](#)).

Passage of the proposition would end the Hollywood Park EDC, reallocating the 0.125% sales and use tax revenue from the EDC towards maintenance and repair of streets in Hollywood Park.

NOTE: Local authorities, under the Texas Constitution and state law, are limited in what taxes they can levy and subsequently rely on property taxes (A.K.A. “ad valorem taxes”), local sales and use taxes, and hotel occupancy taxes ([Texas Legislative Council Research Division 2002](#), [Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. a](#), [Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. b](#)).

★ FOR

★ AGAINST

City of Live Oak – Special Election

For City Council, Place 5

i *Special election to fill a vacancy, elected at-large.*

★ Michael Llamas

i *Michael Llamas serves as Vice Chair of the Live Oak Planning & Zoning Commission ([Ortiz 2026](#)).*

★ Jasmine Johnson

i *Jasmine Johnson is a licensed professional counselor, community advocate, and PhD student. She describes herself as an advocate for mental health, youth, and family wellness. “People, Partnership, and Progress” ([Jasmine Johnson 2026](#), [thejasminejoy 2026](#) – Facebook and Instagram).*

City of Live Oak - Proposition A

“Shall the City Charter of the City of Live Oak be amended to transition from two-year terms of office for the City Council to three year terms of office for the City Council?”

i *Passage of the proposition would amend the City Charter of the City of Live Oak to extend their term from two years to three years. It further would amend the filling of vacancies [overriding Prop B if passed].*

Current rule: When a vacancy occurs in the city council, the remaining members of the council shall, within thirty (30) days, appoint a qualified person to fill the unexpired term. An appointment must be approved by an affirmative vote of at least three (3) council members. At no given time shall two (2) appointed council members serve on the council. In case a vacancy has been filled by the council prior to a subsequent vacancy or vacancies, the vacancy shall be filled at the next authorized election date in accordance with state law.

New rule (summary): If there are more than 365 days left in the term, a special election will be called. If there are less than 365 days left then the council may choose either to appoint an individual or call a special election. Additionally would move from first past the post to a run-off system.

([City Council Agenda for August 11, 2026, p. 18-19](#))

★ FOR

★ AGAINST

City of Live Oak - Proposition B

“Shall the City Charter of the City of Live Oak be amended to allow for the filling of a vacancy on the City Council in accordance with state law?”

i *Passage of the proposition amends the current rule for filling vacancies if it passes and Prop A doesn't pass.*

Current rule: When a vacancy occurs in the city council, the remaining members of the council shall, within thirty (30) days, appoint a qualified person to fill the unexpired term. An appointment must be approved by an affirmative vote of at least three (3) council members. At no given time shall two (2) appointed council members serve on the council. In case a vacancy has been filled by the council prior to a subsequent vacancy or vacancies, the vacancy shall be filled at the next authorized election date in accordance with state law.

New rule: In the event of a single vacancy in the City Council, the remaining members of the City Council may appoint a qualified person to fill the unexpired term or allow the vacancy to be filled at the next authorized election date in accordance with state law.

(City Council Agenda for August 11, 2026, p. 20)

★ FOR

★ AGAINST

City of Live Oak - Proposition C

“Shall the City Charter of the City of Live Oak be amended to remove the requirement that only elected members of the City Council (as opposed to any duty seated council member) may vote on the appointment or removal of the city manager?”

i *Passage of the proposition would allow appointed members of the city council to vote on the appointment/removal of the city manager (City Council Agenda for August 11, 2026, p. 20). The city manager is the chief operating and executive officer who oversees daily operations and carries out local policies (City of Live Oak, n.d. – Website).*

★ FOR

★ AGAINST

City of Live Oak - Proposition D

“Shall the City Charter of the City of Live Oak be amended to remove the requirement that only elected members of the City Council (as opposed to any duly seated council member) may vote on the designation or revocation of an acting city manager?”

i Passage of the proposition would allow appointed members of the city council to vote on the designation/revocation of an acting city manager ([City Council Agenda for August 11, 2026, p. 21](#)). The city manager is the chief operating and executive officer who oversees daily operations and carries out local policies ([City of Live Oak, n.d. – Website](#)).

★ FOR

★ AGAINST

City of Live Oak - Proposition E

“Shall the City Charter of the City of Live Oak be amended to remove the requirement that the City of Live Oak annually prepare, adopt, and implement a City Development Five-Year Plan.”

i Passage of the proposition would remove the requirement of a City Development Five-Year Plan – leaving it to their discretion if they wish to implement one in the future ([City Council Agenda for August 11, 2026, p. 21-22](#)).

★ FOR

★ AGAINST

City of Live Oak - Proposition F

“Shall the City Charter of the City of Live Oak be amended to require an audit of city books and accounts in accordance with state law.”

i Passage of the proposition would remove specific language requiring audit report filings to be available for public inspection “within 120 days after the close of the city’s fiscal year” – instead wording it so it simply defaults to what state law dictates ([City Council Agenda for August 11, 2026, p. 22](#)).

★ FOR

★ AGAINST

City of San Antonio – Special Election

CITY OF SAN ANTONIO - PROPOSITION A

PRE K 4 SA SALES & USE TAX 20 YEAR REAUTHORIZATION

“Reauthorization of the Pre-K 4 SA Early Childhood Education Program and renewed adoption of a sales and use tax at the rate of one eighth of one percent for the purpose of continued financing of authorized programs of the San Antonio Early Childhood Education Municipal Development corporation for a maximum period of twenty (20) years following the expiration of the current reauthorization of the Pre-K 4 SA Program in 2029.”

i Passage of the proposition would reauthorize the financing of Pre-K 4 SA for 20 years from the expiration of the program in 2029 (ie. reauthorized until 2049).

★ FOR – BCYD-Endorsed

i *Some Arguments For:*

- *Pre-K 4 SA educates children in addition to care*
- *Cohorts do well in Pre-K 4 SA and not every ISD has Pre-K*
- *1/8th of a percent is worth the spend*
- *It is unclear if the state legislature will follow through with funding Pre-K*

★ AGAINST

i *Some Arguments Against:*

- *The tax money would've gone to VIA Transit (or would go to a ballot measure on VIA?) but instead will, if passed, be diverted to Pre-K 4 SA for 20 years*
- *Public Schools/ISDs have Pre-K, thus making it a duplicate program – additionally, there is a lack of enrolment in public schools' programs and so supporting neighborhood schools closer to the child may be beneficial over a city-ran service*
- *Pre-K 4 SA is more expensive to administer vs its public school counterparts*
- *Things could change in 20 years and the program is going to continue until 2029 regardless, so it is not necessary to pass now*

City of Sandy Oaks – General Election

For Mayor

★ Michael Martinez Jr – incumbent

i *Michael Martinez Jr. is the incumbent Mayor of Sandy Oaks. He supported John Lujan in the Republican Primary for CD-35 and invited Jorge Borrego (Republican nominee for HD-118) to his National Night Out event ([Michael Martinez an Elected Official](#) – Facebook, [jorgefortexas 2026](#))*

★ Write-in (Mariah Scarver)

i *Limited Online Presence*

For Alderman, Place 2

★ Douglas Tomasini

i *Limited Online Presence*

★ Priscilla Schmitt

i *Currently serves as Sandy Oaks Public Works Director ([City of Sandy Oaks, n.d.](#)).*

For Alderman, Place 3

★ Lamar McNeal – incumbent

i *Lamar McNeal currently serves as an Alderman for Sandy Oaks. Limited Online Presence ([City of Sandy Oaks, n.d.](#)).*

For Alderman, Place 4

★ CJ Walker – incumbent

i *CJ Walker currently serves as an Alderman for Sandy Oaks. Limited Online Presence ([City of Sandy Oaks, n.d.](#)).*

City of Schertz – General Election

For City Council, Place 3

★ Paul Macaluso – incumbent

i *Paul Macaluso currently serves on the City Council of the City of Schertz. He has also spent the last 17 years in Transportation Management and another 11 years coaching youth sports (baseball, basketball, and volleyball with the Buffalo Valley Youth Association). He began volunteering with the City of Schertz in June 2015 after being appointed to the Schertz Economic Development Board (EDB). In 2017 he was awarded Volunteer of the Year for the City of Schertz. He was named President of the EDB in 2018 where he served until becoming a City Council member in 2023 ([City of Schertz, n.d.](#)).*

★ Billie Langhus

i *Billie Langhus is a retiree – Limited Online Presence ([Ortiz 2026](#)).*

For City Council, Place 4

★ Kenneth E. Ratcliff

i *Kenneth Ratcliff is a church leader and attorney. He is also the former president of the Schertz-Cibolo-Universal City Independent School District board ([Ortiz 2026](#)).*

★ Benjamin Guerrero – incumbent

i *Benjamin Guerrero currently serves on the City Council of the City of Schertz. Guerrero previously served in the U.S. Army for over 21 years with assignments across Europe, Asia, and the Middle East. In January 2024 he was appointed to the Schertz Charter Review Committee to assist in the review of the city articles. He is currently a contact specialist for the U.S. Government – for the 410th Contracting Support Brigade at Fort Sam Houston – and an active member at Grace Community Church in Universal City ([City of Schertz, n.d.](#)).*

For City Council, Place 5

★ Robert M. Westbrook – incumbent

i *Robert Westbrook currently serves on the City Council of the City of Schertz. He has also spent 24 years as a firefighter and first responder. He also spent 12 years serving as a member of Schertz-Cibolo-Universal City Independent School District and was previously chair of the legislative committee for Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) Board of Directors. His campaign centers of safety, education, and advocacy ([Robert Westbrook for Schertz City Council Place 5 Campaign – Website](#)).*

★ **Jonathon A. Marquez**

i *Jonathon Marquez is a maintenance coordinator — Limited Online Presence ([Ortiz 2026](#)).*

City of Windcrest – General Election

For City Council, Place 1

★ **Narquiz Cervantes**

i *Narquiz Cervantes is a retired teacher and has ran for a position on City Council for the last two elections as well. Limited Online Presence ([Ortiz 2026](#)).*

★ **Susie Hamilton — incumbent, BCYD-Endorsed (General)**

i *Susie Hamilton currently serves on the City Council of the City of Windcrest. She has spent her time focused on community development, economic investment, and community event planning ([Susie Hamilton for Windcrest Campaign — Website](#)).*

★ **Joan Pedrotti**

i *Joan Pedrottie previously served as Mayor Pro Tem and member of the Windcrest City Council for Place 5. Some of her key points at the time were not raising taxes and balancing the city budget ([Ortiz 2026](#), [Joan Pedrotti 2021 Re-Election Campaign — Facebook](#)).*

For City Council, Place 2

★ **Cindy Strzelecki — incumbent**

i *Cindy Strzelecki currently serves on the City Council of the City of Windcrest having been first elected in 2018. She has a background in nursing with a master's in Business Administration from Our Lady of the Lake University. In 2019 they started the 'Share the Lights Project' with the goal of helping bring holiday lights to all Windcrest Residents to have at their homes. The project continues to grow by the year, helping bring holiday lights to over 50 families just last year ([Ortiz 2026](#), [City of Windcrest, n.d.](#)).*

★ **Sue Alexander**

i *Sue Alexander is the President of the Bexar County Water Control and Improvement District #10 – ie. the water utility that serves properties within Windcrest's original boundaries ([Ortiz 2026](#), [Bexar County WCID 10, n.d.](#)).*

For City Council, Place 3

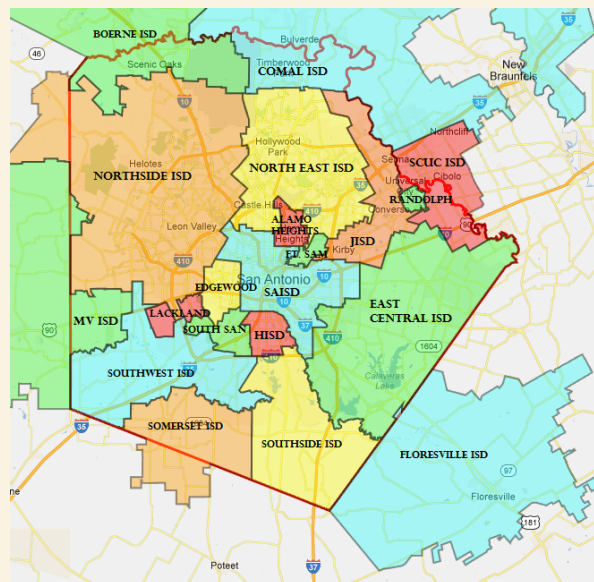
★ Greg Turner — incumbent

i Greg Turner currently serves on the City Council of the City of Windcrest. He has a background of 30 years of military service as an Army Combat Infantryman. He also previously served as a Department of the Army (DA) Civil Servant at the Department of Defense. His team focuses on assisting the elderly, wounded warriors, people with disabilities, and all Windcrest residents ([Ortiz 2026](#), [City of Windcrest, n.d.](#)).

★ Robert Maloy

i Robert Maloy has a background in finance, accounting, and aviation industries. In 2018 he began what would become Zaibatsu Financial™ – a fund focused on equity options, trading, cryptocurrency, and other highly leveraged strategies. He moved from Florida to Windcrest in 2017, following the death of his father to cancer ([Ortiz 2026](#), [Robert Maloy for Mayor of Windcrest 2025 Campaign – Website](#)).

Map of Bexar County's Independent School Districts (ISDs)



Comal Independent School District – Bond Election

COMAL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT - PROPOSITION A

“THIS IS A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE. The issuance of bonds in an amount not to exceed \$539,955,000 by the Comal Independent School District for the design, construction, rehabilitation, renovation, expansion, improvement, acquisition, and equipment of school facilities, the necessary sites for school facilities, and the purchase of school buses and vehicles, and the levying of a tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds and the cost of any credit agreements executed in connection with the bonds.”

i Passage of the proposition would result in a property tax increase in order to pay the principal and interest of new bonds amounting to less than or equal to around \$540 million meant to help in updating school facilities.

NOTE: Local authorities, under the Texas Constitution and state law, are limited in what taxes they can levy and subsequently rely on property taxes (A.K.A. “ad valorem taxes”), local sales and use taxes, and hotel occupancy taxes ([Texas Legislative Council Research Division 2002](#), [Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. a](#), [Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. b](#)).

★ FOR

★ AGAINST

COMAL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT - PROPOSITION B

“THIS IS A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE. The issuance of bonds in an amount not to exceed \$27,045,000 by the Comal Independent School District for the acquisition, improvement, and updates of technology equipment, systems, and infrastructure (including new classroom computers and devices), and the levying of a tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds and the cost of any credit agreements executed in connection with the bonds.”

i Passage of the proposition would result in a property tax increase in order to pay the principal and interest of new bonds amounting to less than or equal to around \$27 million meant to help in updating schools’ information technology.

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- ★ FOR
- ★ AGAINST

East Central Independent School District – Special Election

EAST CENTRAL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT PROPOSITION A: THIS IS A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

“Ratifying the ad valorem tax rate of \$0.9320 per \$100 valuation in the East Central Independent School District for the current year, a rate that will result in an increase of 8.98 percent in maintenance and operations tax revenue for the District for the current year as compared to the preceding year, which is an additional \$8,470,660.”

■ Passage of the proposition would result in a property tax increase – meant to provide an addition revenue of around \$8.5 million for maintenance and operations.

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- ★ For
- ★ Against

Edgewood Independent School District – General Election

For Trustee, Place 1

★ Dora Maldonado

i *Dora Maldonado is a content creator, health peer specialist, and a graduate of and parent to a children at Edgewood ISD. She also has held leadership roles in advocacy organizations. She is running as she believes she would be able to effectively listen to parents without judgement and build trust ([San Antonio Report](#)).*

★ James Hernandez – incumbent

i *James Hernandez currently sits as President of the Edgewood ISD Board of Trustees. He previously attended college at Our Lady of the Lake University, University of Utah – Salt Lake City, and University of Texas at San Antonio. He has a B.A. in Psychology, M.Ed. in Culture and Society, and a PhD in Interdisciplinary Learning and Teaching. He also serves as secretary for Las Palmas Neighborhood Association and Co-Chair for the international educational research organization “Society for Information Technology and Teaching Education” (SITE). Says he treats board work “as governance, not micromanagement.” He voted in 2025 to censure trustee Michael Valdez for talking to reporters, and Valdez later accused him of sexual harassment, which Hernandez calls “complete lies” ([Edgewood ISD, n.d.](#), [San Antonio Report](#), [Decent Ballot, n.d.](#)).*

For Trustee, Place 2

★ Frank Espinosa – incumbent

i *Frank Espinosa currently serves as Secretary of the Edgewood ISD Board of Trustees. He has previously served on Volero Volunteer Council, NuStar Volunteer Council, and non-profit organizations (e.g. as President, Vice President, Treasurer and Chairman). He owns a logistics company and previously worked for NuStar Energy. He is also currently president of the Edgewood District Alumni Association ([Edgewood ISD, n.d.](#), [San Antonio Report](#)).*

★ Elias Hernandez

i *Elias Hernandez is a full-time dad with a background in construction. He values skilled trades and efforts to prepare students for high-demand careers. He is running because he believes that he would be able to effectively listen to parents without judgement, “[put] out children first”, promote transparency, and prevent potential state intervention or a TEA takeover. He further would seek to closely monitor “key student and district metrics” ([San Antonio Report](#)).*

★ **Jose “Joe” Gallegos II**

i *Joe Gallegos II is retired from law enforcement and leads the nonprofit called “Adelante Second Chance.” He has a Bachelors in Social Work from Our Lady of the Lake University and holds several postgraduate degrees. He also has a background in Education, Substance Abuse, and Counseling. He is running to promote transparency, raise attendance, and avoid a probable take over by the state ([San Antonio Report](#)).*

For Trustee, Place 3

★ **Dorothy Borjas**

i *Dorothy Borjas is a parent with a background in tax preparation, program coordination, and customer service. She has some college and trade school education. She is running to bring greater transparency to the school board and to be a voice for parents and children ([San Antonio Report](#)).*

★ **Richard Santoyo – incumbent**

i *Richard Santoyo is a retired firefighter of 30 years and has served since 2016 (apart from losing re-election in 2024 and then being appointed in 2025). He graduated from Stanford University. His goal is to listen, to increase attendance, and continue his existing involvement in EISD ([Edgewood ISD, n.d.](#), [San Antonio Report](#)).*

For Trustee, Place 6

★ **Michael Valdez – incumbent**

i *Michael Valdez is a student at University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA) and was first elected in 2022. He previously served on the EISD Teen Board and chaired the San Antonio Youth Commission. He has an Associate of Arts from San Antonio College (SAC) and a Bachelor of Arts in Mexican American Studies and Politics and Law from UTSA. He is also a recent graduate of Edgewood ISD. He is running to continue his existing advocacy efforts and to listen to the community. He also seeks to address declining enrollment, the budget deficits, and the need for stronger state investment in public education ([Edgewood ISD, n.d.](#), [San Antonio Report](#)).*

★ **Joey Cipriano**

i *Joey Cipriano is a leader in the Thompson Neighborhood Association – located in the Thompson Community in Edgewood ISD. He has a background in contracting, supporting small businesses, and administrative coordination. He is running to use his existing relationships and roots within the community to be an informed voice on the board. His goal is to address student outcomes and navigate aging facilities with limited resources – focusing on transparency, community alignment, and expanding student opportunities ([San Antonio Report](#)).*

Northside Independent School District – Special Election

NORTHSIDE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT - PROPOSITION A

THIS IS A TAX INCREASE

“Ratifying the ad valorem tax rate of \$1.0349 per \$100 valuation in Northside Independent School District for the current year, a rate that will result in an increase of 4.49% in maintenance and operations tax revenue for the district for the current year as compared to the preceding year, which is an additional \$21,533,914.”

i Passage of the proposition would result in a property tax increase – meant to provide an addition revenue of around \$21.5 million for maintenance and operations.

NOTE: Local authorities, under the Texas Constitution and state law, are limited in what taxes they can levy and subsequently rely on property taxes (A.K.A. “ad valorem taxes”), local sales and use taxes, and hotel occupancy taxes ([Texas Legislative Council Research Division 2002, Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. a, Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. b](#)).

★ **FOR**

★ **AGAINST**

Northside Independent School District – Bond Election

NORTHSIDE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT - PROPOSITION B

THIS IS A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

“The issuance of not to exceed \$764,745,000 of Northside Independent School District school building bonds for the purposes of designing, constructing, renovating, improving, upgrading, updating, acquiring, and equipping school facilities in the District, the purchase of the necessary sites for school facilities, the purchase of new buses and vehicles, and the retrofitting of buses and vehicles with emergency, safety, or security equipment, and the levying of a tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds and the cost of any credit agreements.”

i Passage of the proposition would result in a property tax increase in order to pay the principal and interest of new bonds amounting to less than or equal to around \$765 million meant to help in updating school facilities and school buses and vehicles.

NOTE: Local authorities, under the Texas Constitution and state law, are limited in what taxes they can levy and subsequently rely on property taxes (A.K.A. “ad valorem taxes”), local sales and use taxes, and hotel occupancy taxes (Texas Legislative Council Research Division 2002, Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. a, Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. b).

★ **FOR**

★ **AGAINST**

NORTHSIDE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT - PROPOSITION C

THIS IS A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

“The issuance of not to exceed \$56,000,000 of Northside Independent School District school building bonds for the purposes of acquiring and updating instructional technology equipment and the levying of a tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds and the cost of any credit agreements.”

i Passage of the proposition would result in a property tax increase in order to pay the principal and interest of new bonds amounting to less than or equal to \$56 million meant to help in updating schools’ instructional technology equipment.

NOTE: Local authorities, under the Texas Constitution and state law, are limited in what taxes they can levy and subsequently rely on property taxes (A.K.A. “ad valorem taxes”), local sales and use taxes, and hotel occupancy taxes ([Texas Legislative Council Research Division 2002](#), [Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. a](#), [Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. b](#)).

★ FOR

★ AGAINST

NORTHSIDE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT - PROPOSITION D

THIS IS A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

“The issuance of not to exceed \$65,500,000 of Northside Independent School District school building bonds for the purposes of designing, constructing, renovating, improving, upgrading, updating, expanding, replacing, acquiring, and equipping natatoriums in the District (and any necessary or related removal of existing facilities), including replacing the George Block Aquatics Center, and the levying of a tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds and the cost of any credit agreements.”

i Passage of the proposition would result in a property tax increase in order to pay the principal and interest of new bonds amounting to less than or equal to \$65.5 million meant to help in updating schools’ natatoriums (ie. indoor pool facilities and associated amenities).

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NOTE: Local authorities, under the Texas Constitution and state law, are limited in what taxes they can levy and subsequently rely on property taxes (A.K.A. “ad valorem taxes”), local sales and use taxes, and hotel occupancy taxes ([Texas Legislative Council Research Division 2002](#), [Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. a](#), [Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. b](#)).

- ★ FOR
- ★ AGAINST

San Antonio Independent School District – Special Election

San Antonio Independent School District - Proposition A

THIS IS A TAX INCREASE

“Ratifying the ad valorem tax rate of \$0.7869 per \$100 valuation in San Antonio Independent School District for the current year, a rate that will result in an increase of 2.92% in maintenance and operations tax revenue for the District for the current year as compared to the preceding year, which is an additional \$5,541,056.00.”

i **Passage of the proposition would result in a property tax increase – meant to provide an addition revenue of around \$5.5 million for maintenance and operations.**

NOTE: Local authorities, under the Texas Constitution and state law, are limited in what taxes they can levy and subsequently rely on property taxes (A.K.A. “ad valorem taxes”), local sales and use taxes, and hotel occupancy taxes ([Texas Legislative Council Research Division 2002](#), [Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. a](#), [Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. b](#)).

- ★ For
- ★ Against

San Antonio Independent School District – Bond Election

San Antonio Independent School District - Proposition B

THIS IS A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

“The issuance of an amount not to exceed \$492,000,000 school building bonds for the construction, renovation, acquisition, and equipment of school buildings in the District, the purchase of the necessary sites for school buildings, the purchase of new school buses and other new vehicles to be used for student transportation and the purchase or retrofitting of vehicles to be used for emergency, safety, or security purposes, and the levying and imposition of taxes sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds and the costs of any credit agreements.”

i **Passage of the proposition would result in a property tax increase in order to pay the principal and interest of new bonds amounting to less than or equal to \$492 million meant to help in updating school buildings and school buses and vehicles.**

NOTE: Local authorities, under the Texas Constitution and state law, are limited in what taxes they can levy and subsequently rely on property taxes (A.K.A. “ad valorem taxes”), local sales and use taxes, and hotel occupancy taxes ([Texas Legislative Council Research Division 2002, Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. a, Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. b](#)).

★ **For**

★ **Against**

San Antonio Independent School District - Proposition C

THIS IS A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

“The issuance of an amount not to exceed \$102,000,000 school building bonds for the acquisition and update of technology equipment and the levying and imposition of taxes sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds and the costs of any credit agreements.”

i Passage of the proposition would result in a property tax increase in order to pay the principal and interest of new bonds amounting to less than or equal to \$102 million meant to help in updating schools’ instructional technology equipment.

NOTE: Local authorities, under the Texas Constitution and state law, are limited in what taxes they can levy and subsequently rely on property taxes (A.K.A. “ad valorem taxes”), local sales and use taxes, and hotel occupancy taxes ([Texas Legislative Council Research Division 2002, Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. a, Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. b](#)).

★ For

★ Against

San Antonio Independent School District - Proposition D

THIS IS A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

“The issuance of an amount not to exceed \$6,000,000 school building bonds for the construction, renovation, and equipment of Alamo Stadium and the Alamo Convocation Center, and the levying and imposition of taxes sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds and the costs of any credit agreements.”

i Passage of the proposition would result in a property tax increase in order to pay the principal and interest of new bonds amounting to less than or equal to \$6 million meant to help in updating Alamo Stadium and the Alamo Convocation Center – two public athletic and community facilities.

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NOTE: Local authorities, under the Texas Constitution and state law, are limited in what taxes they can levy and subsequently rely on property taxes (A.K.A. “ad valorem taxes”), local sales and use taxes, and hotel occupancy taxes ([Texas Legislative Council Research Division 2002](#), [Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. a](#), [Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. b](#)).

- ★ For
- ★ Against

Schertz Cibolo Universal City Independent School District – Special Election

SCHERTZ-CIBOLO-UNIVERSAL CITY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT - PROPOSITION A: THIS IS A TAX INCREASE

“Ratifying the ad valorem tax rate of \$1.1969 per \$100 valuation in the Schertz-Cibolo-Universal City Independent School District for the current year, a rate that will result in an increase of 18 percent in maintenance and operations tax revenue for the District for the current year as compared to the preceding year, which is an additional \$8,256,727 for the purpose of recruiting and retaining staff and maintaining program offerings for students.”

i **Passage of the proposition would result in a property tax increase – meant to provide an addition revenue of around \$8.3 million for retaining existing program offerings and staff.**

NOTE: Local authorities, under the Texas Constitution and state law, are limited in what taxes they can levy and subsequently rely on property taxes (A.K.A. “ad valorem taxes”), local sales and use taxes, and hotel occupancy taxes ([Texas Legislative Council Research Division 2002](#), [Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. a](#), [Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. b](#)).

- ★ FOR
- ★ AGAINST

South San Antonio Independent School District – Special Election

South San Antonio Independent School District - PROPOSITION A

THIS IS A TAX INCREASE

“RATIFYING THE AD VALOREM TAX RATE OF 1.1970 FOR \$100 VALUATION IN SOUTH SAN ANTONIO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE CURRENT YEAR, A RATE THAT WILL RESULT IN AN INCREASE OF 14.8 PERCENT IN MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS TAX REVENUE FOR THE DISTRICT FOR THE CURRENT YEAR AS COMPARED TO THE PRECEDING YEAR, WHICH IS ADDITIONAL \$2,564,791.”

i Passage of the proposition would result in a property tax increase – meant to provide an addition revenue of around \$2.6 million for maintenance and operations.

NOTE: Local authorities, under the Texas Constitution and state law, are limited in what taxes they can levy and subsequently rely on property taxes (A.K.A. “ad valorem taxes”), local sales and use taxes, and hotel occupancy taxes ([Texas Legislative Council Research Division 2002](#), [Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. a](#), [Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. b](#)).

★ For

★ Against

Somerset Independent School District – General Election

For Trustee, Single Member District 3

★ Albert Herrera

i Albert Herrera is a bus driver – Limited Online Presence ([San Antonio Report](#)).

★ Doug Black

i Doug Black is the owner of a roofing and sheet metal company. He’s the president of the Somerset Youth Livestock Organization, the director at the Atascosa County Livestock Show and longtime volunteer with the San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo. He was approached by the incumbent Trustee, Elizabeth Hansen about running for the position and hopes to work with others and come up with funding where the state has fallen short ([San Antonio Report](#)).

For Trustee, Single Member District 7

★ Robert A. Casias

i *Robert Casias is a retiree of the U.S. Army and previously served on the State Republican Executive Committee for the Republican Party of Texas. He brings 30 years of management experience at the Strategic, Operational and Tactical levels of military operations. The outgoing SISD Board member not seeking reelection asked him to consider running for the seat. His goals are improving educational grants and funding to the district. Having student programs that attract funding from outside sources. Improving STEM related curriculum ([San Antonio Report](#)).*

★ Emilio G. Arcos

i *Emilio Arcos is a senior office services manager with Zachary Industrial Inc. He previously served as the president of the Barrera Veterans Elementary PTA. He's been a Somerset Little League coach and a volunteer with Big Sisters Big Brothers. He is concerned with the annual school budget, trying to figure on lowering cost without raising taxes, curriculum and programs ([San Antonio Report](#)).*

Bexar County Municipal Utility District No. 1 – Confirmation Election

Bexar County Municipal Utility District No. 1 - Proposition A

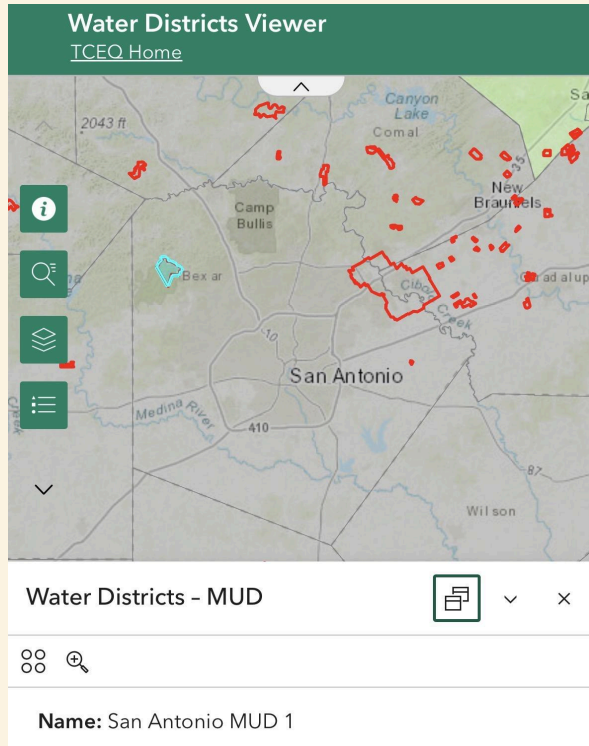
i *A Municipal Utility District is a special district formed to manage a given areas' utility and public services (e.g. water, waste, roads, etc.)*

“Confirming Creation of Bexar County Municipal Utility District No. 1.”

i *Passage of the proposition would result in the creation of Bexar County Municipal Utility District No. 1, which *appears* to be a reorganisation of San Antonio Municipal Utility District No. 1 located northwest of Helotes. See Map:*

★ For

★ Against



Bexar County Municipal Utility District No. 1 – Special Election

For Permanent Director

Vote for none, one, two, three, four or five

i *Bexar County MUD No. 1 will have five directors. There is very limited information about the candidates.*

- ★ **Matthew Abrahamsen**
- ★ **Theodore Duano**
- ★ **Andrew Macias**
- ★ **Alberto Rodriguez**
- ★ **Alejandro Silva**

Bexar County Municipal Utility District No. 1 – Bond Election

Bexar County Municipal Utility District No. 1 - Proposition B

“THIS IS A TAX INCREASE; an operation and maintenance tax for the district not to exceed one dollar and twenty cents (\$1.20) per one hundred dollars (\$100) valuation of taxable property.”

i Passage of the proposition would result in establishing a property tax of 1.2% for the purposes of maintaining and operating a new municipal utility district.

NOTE: Local authorities, under the Texas Constitution and state law, are limited in what taxes they can levy and subsequently rely on property taxes (A.K.A. “ad valorem taxes”), local sales and use taxes, and hotel occupancy taxes ([Texas Legislative Council Research Division 2002](#), [Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. a](#), [Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. b](#)).

★ For

★ Against

Bexar County Municipal Utility District No. 1 - Proposition C

“THIS IS A TAX INCREASE; the issuance of \$330,000,000 bonds for water, wastewater and drainage system facilities, and the levy of taxes sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds.”

i Passage of the proposition would result in a property tax increase in order to pay the principal and interest of new bonds amounting to less than or equal to \$330 million meant to help the water, wastewater, and drainage system facilities in the municipal utility district.

NOTE: Local authorities, under the Texas Constitution and state law, are limited in what taxes they can levy and subsequently rely on property taxes (A.K.A. “ad valorem taxes”), local sales and use taxes, and hotel occupancy taxes ([Texas Legislative Council Research Division 2002](#), [Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. a](#), [Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. b](#)).

★ For

★ Against

Bexar County Municipal Utility District No. 1 - Proposition D

“THIS IS A TAX INCREASE; the issuance of \$140,000,000 bonds for roads, and the levy of taxes sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds.”

i Passage of the proposition would result in a property tax increase in order to pay the principal and interest of new bonds amounting to less than or equal to \$140 million meant to help the roads in the municipal utility district.

NOTE: Local authorities, under the Texas Constitution and state law, are limited in what taxes they can levy and subsequently rely on property taxes (A.K.A. “ad valorem taxes”), local sales and use taxes, and hotel occupancy taxes ([Texas Legislative Council Research Division 2002, Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. a, Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. b](#)).

★ For

★ Against

Bexar County Municipal Utility District No. 1 - Proposition E

“THIS IS A TAX INCREASE; the issuance of \$30,000,000 bonds for park and recreational facilities, and the levy of tax sufficient to pay principal of and interest on the bonds.”

i Passage of the proposition would result in a property tax increase in order to pay the principal and interest of new bonds amounting to less than or equal to \$30 million meant to help the roads in the municipal utility district.

NOTE: Local authorities, under the Texas Constitution and state law, are limited in what taxes they can levy and subsequently rely on property taxes (A.K.A. “ad valorem taxes”), local sales and use taxes, and hotel occupancy taxes ([Texas Legislative Council Research Division 2002, Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. a, Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. b](#)).

★ For

★ Against

Bexar County Municipal Utility District No. 1 - Proposition F

“THIS IS A TAX INCREASE; the issuance of \$540,000,000 bonds for refunding water, wastewater, and drainage system facilities bonds and parks and recreational facilities bonds (including refunding bonds issued therefor) issued pursuant to Section 59, Article XVI of the Texas Constitution, and the levy of taxes sufficient to pay principal of and interest on the bonds.”

i Passage of the proposition would result in a property tax increase in order to pay the principal and interest of new bonds amounting to \$540 million meant to refund previous bonds for municipal water systems. (cont. next page)

NOTE: Local authorities, under the Texas Constitution and state law, are limited in what taxes they can levy and subsequently rely on property taxes (A.K.A. “ad valorem taxes”), local sales and use taxes, and hotel occupancy taxes ([Texas Legislative Council Research Division 2002](#), [Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. a](#), [Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. b](#)).

★ For

★ Against

Bexar County Municipal Utility District No. 1 - Proposition G

“THIS IS A TAX INCREASE; the issuance of \$210,000,000 bonds for refunding road bonds (including refunding bonds issued therefor) issued pursuant to Section 52, Article III of the Texas Constitution, and the levy of taxes sufficient to pay principal of and interest on the bonds.”

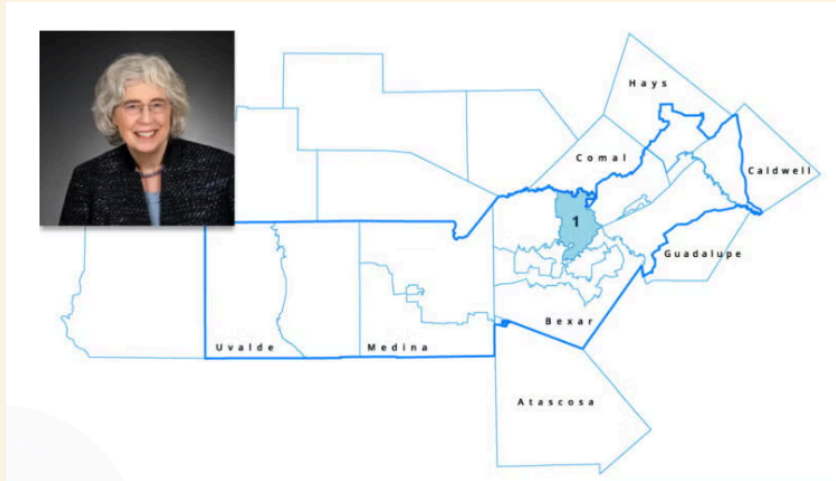
i Passage of the proposition would result in a property tax increase in order to pay the principal and interest of new bonds amounting to \$210 million meant to refund previous bonds for municipal roads.

NOTE: Local authorities, under the Texas Constitution and state law, are limited in what taxes they can levy and subsequently rely on property taxes (A.K.A. “ad valorem taxes”), local sales and use taxes, and hotel occupancy taxes ([Texas Legislative Council Research Division 2002](#), [Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. a](#), [Comptroller of Public Accounts, n.d. b](#)).

★ For

★ Against

Map of the Edwards Aquifer Authority District 1



Edwards Aquifer Authority District 1 – General Election

i *The Edwards Aquifer Authority (EAA) is a regional water management agency that regulates the use of the aquifer through integrity, transparency, and respect for the resource and the people that use it ([Edwards Aquifer Authority, n.d.](#)).*

For Director

★ **Joey Groff**

i *Limited Online Presence*

★ **Carol G. Patterson – Incumbent**

i *Carol Patterson has served on the Edwards Aquifer Authority (EAA) board of directors since the EAA was founded in 1996. She has a long history of advocacy on issues affecting regional water ([Edwards Aquifer Authority, n.d.](#)).*