

EAST BATON ROUGE SAMPLE BALLOT

Open & Congressional Primary/Presidential Election



EARLY VOTING October 18-29

Polls Open 8:30 AM - 6:00 PM CST
(excluding Sundays)

ELECTION DAY FRIDAY November 5, 2024

Polls are open 6:00 AM - 8:00 PM CST

Register to Vote

Last day in person or by mail:

Oct. 7

Last day online:

Oct. 15



pcej.org/Vote



Vote by Mail

PowerCoalition.org/Vote

If you are planning to vote by mail, we recommend you do so as soon as possible to make sure your vote is counted.

REQUEST

a Vote by Mail Ballot:

Nov. 1

by 4:30 PM

RETURN

a Completed Vote by Mail Ballot:

Nov. 4

by 4:30 PM

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Proposed Amendment No. 1

Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 10.2(E)(1) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to federal proceeds from alternative energy production on the Outer Continental Shelf; to provide for the disposition of revenues; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

Do you support an amendment to require that federal revenues received by the state generated from Outer Continental Shelf alternative or renewable energy production be deposited into the Coastal Protection and Restoration Fund? (Amends Article VII, Section 10.2(E)(1))

Yes

No

Act 408 (2024 Regular Session)

Present Constitution provides for the manner in which the state treasurer makes required annual deposits into the Coastal Protection and Restoration Fund from federal revenues received by the state from Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas activity.

Proposed Constitutional Amendment retains present constitutional language and adds other federal revenue sources received by the state, including, but not limited to: wind energy; solar energy; tidal energy; wave energy; geothermal energy; and other alternative or renewable energy production or sources.

A **“yes” vote means:** Would allow federal revenues received by the state and generated from Outer Continental Shelf alternative or renewable energy production to be deposited into the Coastal Protection and Restoration Fund.

A **“no” vote means:** Would maintain the current system, where only oil and gas revenues contribute to the coastal protection efforts, without including potential new revenue from renewable energy sources.

President of the United States

- Kamala Harris/Tim Walz, Democrat
- Jill Stein/Ajamu Baraka Green
- Chase Oliver/Mike ter Maat, Libertarian
- Donald Trump/ J.D. Vance, Republican
- Peter Sonski/Lauren Onak American Solidarity Party
- Randall Terry/Stephen Broden Constitution Party
- Maddie Preston/Shannel Conner Godliness, Truth, Justice
- Cornel West/Melina Abdullah Justice for All
- Claudia de la Cruz/Karina Garcia, Socialism and Liberation
- Rachele Fruit/Dennis Richter, Socialist Workers Party
- Robert F. Kennedy, Jr./Nicole Shanahan, We The People

U. S. Rep. 5th Congressional District

- Julia Letlow – Republican, White, Female
- M.V. 'Vinny' Mendoza – Republican, Hispanic, Male
- Michael Vallien – Democrat, Black, Male

U. S. Rep. 6th Congressional District

- Quentin Anthony Anderson, Democrat, Male, Black
- Cleo Fields, Democrat, Male, Black
- Elbert Guillory, Republican, Male, Black
- Wilken Jones, Democrat, Male, Black
- Peter Williams, Democrat, Male, Black

Judge, Court of Appeal 1st Circuit, 2nd Dist., Subdist. 1, Div. C

- Kelly Balfour – Republican, White, Male
- Eboni Johnson Rose – Democrat, Black, Female

Public Service Commission, District 2

- Jean-Paul Coussan – Republican, White, Male
- Nick Laborde – Democrat, White, Male
- Julie Quinn – Republican, White, Female

Mayor-President, Metro Council, City of Baton Rouge

- Sharon Weston Broome – Democrat, Black, Female
- Ryan 'Badd Biddness' Carter – Independent, Black, Male
- Tambra 'Tammy' Cook – Republican,, Female
- Emile 'Sid' Edwards – Republican, White, Male
- Nathaniel Hearn – Republican, White, Male
- Ted James – Democrat, Black, Male
- Steve Myers – Republican, White, Male
- William 'Champagne' Roundtree – Independent, White,
- Gregory Taylor – Independent, White, Male

Councilmember Metro District 1

- Brandon Noel – Republican, White, Male
- Gary Price – Republican, White, Male
- Eric Smith – Democrat, Black, Male

Councilmember Metro District 2

- Eugene Collins – Democrat, Black, Male
- Dina Johnson – Democrat, Black, Female
- Anthony Kenney – Democrat, Black, Male
- Tia Mills – Democrat, Black, Female

Councilmember Metro District 5

- Darryl Hurst – Democrat, Black, Male
- Redell Norman – Democrat, Black, Male
- Marcus Randall – Democrat, Black, Male

Councilmember Metro District 7

- Alfred Bell – Democrat, Black, Male
- Lamont Cole – Democrat, Black, Male
- Twahna P. Harris – Democrat, Black, Female

Councilmember Metro District 10

- Carolyn Coleman – Democrat, Black, Female
- Jasmine Davis Spencer – Democrat, Black, Female

Councilmember Metro District 11

- Laura White 'Laurie' Adams – Republican, White, Female
- Pennie May Landry – No Party, White, Female

Councilmember Metro District 12

- Joseph 'Liberty Jesus' Clement – Libertarian, White, Male
- Jennifer 'Jen' Racca – Republican, White, Female

City Judge City Court, Division C, City of Baton Rouge

- Niles Haymer – Democrat, Black, Male
- Brittany Bryant Jorden – Democrat, Black, Female

**City Constable City Court,
City of Baton Rouge**

- C. Denise Marcelle – Democrat, Black, Female
- Phillip Payne – Democrat, Black, Male
- Vernon R. Scott – Democrat, Black, Male
- Terrica Williams – Democrat, Black, Female

Chief Administrative Officer Proposition

(a) For the purpose of assisting in the supervision and coordination of the duties of the Mayor- President’s office, the Mayor-President may appoint a Chief Administrative Officer who shall be an unclassified employee in the office of the Mayor-President. He shall perform the duties hereinafter enumerated and may appoint one secretary or confidential assistant who shall likewise be unclassified. All other employees assigned to his office shall be appointed and removed subject to the provisions of Chapter 9 of this Plan of Government.

(b)The Chief Administrative Officer shall have the following minimum qualifications:

- (1) At least five years’ experience in an administrative capacity; and,
- (2) Must have graduated from an accredited four-year college or university.

(c) The Chief Administrative Officer shall assist the Mayor-President in the duties of his office and shall have and perform the following mandatory duties:

- (1) Make studies of the internal organization and procedures of any office, department or board, and require such reports from any of them which he deems necessary.
- (2) Make reports prescribing accepted standards of administrative practice for all administrative offices, departments and board.
- (3) Prepare an annual statistical report of City and Parish operation for submission to the Mayor-President and the Metropolitan Council, including appropriate recommendations for revisions and changes in administrative practices and other departmental procedures.

(d) Anything in this Chapter to the contrary notwithstanding, the compensation of the Chief Administrative Officer and all other expenses of his office shall be provided by appropriations made by the Council. (As amended November 3, 1964) (As amended October 20, 2007)

- Yes
- No

City of Baton Rouge Proposition

Shall the City of Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana (the “City”), under the provisions of Article VI, Section 27(B) of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority, be authorized to levy and collect a special ad valorem tax of six (6) mills on the dollar of assessed valuation on all property subject to taxation within the boundaries of the City (the “Tax”) (an estimated \$14,559,960 is reasonably expected to be collected from the levy of the Tax for an entire year), for a period of ten (10) years, commencing with the tax collection for the year 2025, and annually thereafter to and including the year 2034, the proceeds of said Tax (after paying the reasonable and necessary expenses of collection and administering the Tax, if any) to be used entirely and exclusively to provide funds for increasing salaries and benefits for all employees of the Fire Department of the City of Baton Rouge who are members of the Municipal Fire and Police Civil Service System?

- Yes
- No

Explanation: This proposition involves a proposed special property tax (ad valorem tax) for the City of Baton Rouge. The tax would be used specifically to increase the salaries and benefits of employees in the Fire Department who are part of the Municipal Fire and Police Civil Service System.

A “yes” vote means: You support the City of Baton Rouge levying the 6-mill property tax to increase the salaries and benefits of fire department employees. The additional tax revenue would be collected starting in 2025 and used for the next 10 years to fund these compensation increases. A “yes” vote raises taxes to fund fire department employee pay increases.

A “no” vote means: You do not support the new property tax. The city would not have the additional funds to increase the salaries and benefits of fire department employees, and their compensation would continue without the proposed increase from this tax. A “no” vote rejects the tax and prevents those salary increases.

Parishwide Home Rule Charter Amendment Proposition

Shall the Plan of Government of the City of Baton Rouge and Parish of East Baton Rouge (the "Plan of Government") be amended pursuant to Article VI, Section 5 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana and Section 11.09 of the Plan of Government, and be renumbered as necessary, as further described in the Summary of Proposed Amendments to the Plan of Government, which may be reviewed on the official website (<http://www.brla.gov/planofgovernment>) of the City of Baton Rouge and Parish of East Baton Rouge or may be obtained from the Council Administrator for the City of Baton Rouge and Parish of East Baton Rouge, and which proposed amendments are hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of this Proposition?

Yes No

Parishwide Recreation and Park Commission Proposition No. 1 of 2

Shall the Recreation and Park Commission for the Parish of East Baton Rouge ("BREC"), be authorized to renew the levy of (i) a 4.10 mills property tax (an estimated \$22,430,127.86 is reasonably expected to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year), for a period of 10 years, commencing in 2025, 50% of the proceeds thereof be used to provide funds for acquiring and developing land, buildings, machinery and equipment for the public parks and recreational properties and facilities of BREC, and 50% of the proceeds of said tax to be used to provide funds for maintaining and operating such public parks and recreational properties and facilities of BREC and other existing public parks and recreational properties and facilities of BREC and making available funds for the operating budget of BREC; and (ii) a 2.10 mills tax (an estimated \$11,488,717.23 is reasonably expected to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year), for a period of 10 years, commencing in 2025, to provide funds for maintaining and operating the public parks and recreational properties and facilities of BREC, and making available funds for the operating budget of BREC?

Yes No

Explanation: This proposition asks voters to decide whether to **renew two property taxes** for the Recreation and Park Commission for the Parish of East Baton Rouge (BREC):

- 1. 4.10 mills:** Half for acquiring and developing land, buildings, and equipment for public parks and recreation, and half for maintaining and operating these facilities.
- 2. 2.10 mills:** For maintaining and operating public parks and recreational properties.

A "yes" vote means: You support renewing these taxes for 10 years, providing funds for BREC's operations and park development.

A "no" vote means: You oppose renewing these taxes, which could impact funding for parks and recreational facilities.

Parishwide Recreation and Park Commission Proposition No. 2 of 2

Shall the Recreation and Park Commission for the Parish of East Baton Rouge ("BREC"), under the provisions of Article VI, Section 32 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, Section 4570.4(B) of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority, be authorized to levy and collect, and adopt an ordinance providing for such levy and collection of, a 3.253 mills tax (the "Tax") on all property subject to taxation in the Parish of East Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana (the "Parish") (estimated \$17,796,291.29 is reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the Tax for an entire year), for a period of twenty (20) years, commencing with the year 2025, and annually thereafter to and including the year 2044, for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, renovating, operating and maintaining public parks, recreational properties, and facilities of BREC and acquire the necessary furnishings, machinery and equipment therefore, title to which shall be in the public, with the proceeds of the Tax to be specifically used for the purpose of funding the Strategic Master Plan approved and adopted by the Board of Commissioners of BREC on August 22, 2024?

Yes No

Explanation: This proposition asks you to vote on levying a new property tax of **3.253 mills** for a period of **20 years**, starting in 2025 and ending in 2044. The tax is estimated to generate approximately **\$17,796,291.29 per year**. The funds would be used specifically to:

- **Acquire, construct, renovate, operate, and maintain** public parks and recreational properties and facilities.
- **Purchase necessary furnishings, machinery, and equipment** for these facilities.
- **Fund BREC's Strategic Master Plan** approved on August 22, 2024, which outlines long-term goals and projects for enhancing parks and recreation services in the parish.

A "yes" vote means: You support authorizing BREC to levy the 3.253 mills property tax for 20 years. **Funding the Strategic Master Plan:** The tax revenue will be specifically used to implement the projects and improvements outlined in BREC's Strategic Master Plan. **Investment in Community Recreation:** Approving the tax will provide funds for acquiring new park lands, constructing and renovating facilities, and enhancing recreational opportunities for residents. "Yes" vote means you agree to the property tax to fund BREC's long-term plans for parks and recreation enhancements. **This is not a new tax. Tax rates will remain the same.**

A "no" vote means: You do not support authorizing BREC to levy the proposed property tax. **Potential Impact on Planned Projects:** Without this additional funding, BREC may not be able to fully implement the Strategic Master Plan, which could affect future developments and improvements of parks and recreational facilities. **Maintaining Current Funding Levels:** BREC would continue to operate with existing funds, which may limit their ability to expand or enhance services. A "No" vote means you oppose the tax, which could limit BREC's ability to carry out planned projects and improvements. **A "no" vote will eliminate a large sum of funds that the park system has had over the last 20 years.**

Unopposed Races

**Associate Justice Supreme Court,
2nd Supreme Court District**

John Michael Guidry – Democrat, Black, Male

Councilmember Metro District 3

Rowdy Gaudet – Republican, White, Male

Councilmember Metro District 4

Aaron Moak – Republican, White, Male

Councilmember Metro District 6

Cleve Dunn – Democrat, Black, Male

Councilmember Metro District 8

Denise Amoroso – Republican, White, Female

Councilmember Metro District 9

Dwight Hudson – Republican, White, Male

City Judge City Court, ES 1B, City of Baton Rouge

Kelli Terrell Temple – Democrat, Black, Female

City Judge City Court, ES 1D, City of Baton Rouge

Yvette Alexander – Democrat, Black, Female

City Judge City Court, ES 2A, City of Baton Rouge

Carson Marcantel – Republican, White, Male

City Judge City Court, ES 2E, City of Baton Rouge

Judy Moore Vendetto – Republican, White, Female