

2022 COLLIER COUNTY VOTER GUIDE
NOVEMBER 8TH FLORIDA ELECTION

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Three Florida Constitution Amendments

ABOUT THE NOVEMBER 8TH GENERAL ELECTION

This General Election on November 8th, 2022, will allow all voters, regardless of party affiliation, to vote for their representatives on local boards and commissions. Some of the races state the party affiliation of the candidates and others do not, as they are non-partisan. The ballots will differ by location, as some of the representatives are chosen by residents in these specific areas. Candidates who registered to run without opposition will not appear on the ballot, as they are deemed elected and are not included in this guide.

ABOUT VOTE 411



Vote411.org is a non-partisan website created by the League of Women Voters to provide impartial information about voter registration, voting, the races, and the candidates. Information has been provided by the candidates themselves* and has not been edited in any way. This printed guide presents Collier County races, and a brief list of very important other races. For information about these state and federal races, go to Vote411.org or look for the printed State LWV Voter Guide available at libraries, community centers, and throughout the community.

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COLLIER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

County commissioners, elected in a partisan race, serve four-year staggered terms. The role of the commissioner is to: adopt an annual budget, levy taxes and special assessments, adopt county ordinances, provide for the prosecution and defense of legal causes, provide, and maintain county buildings, establish, and enforce zoning, place issues on the ballot, provide services related to health and welfare of citizens and appoint members to and create boards and commissions. 2021-2022 Salary: \$91,131

DISTRICT 2

CHRIS HALL (REP):



Background: 10 years in Wholesale Electric Supply, 6 years full time Network Marketing with Enrich Intl, 2 years on their Board of Directors, 22 years of owning 2 businesses as Real Estate Investors.

Education: 1984 Texas A&M BS Industrial Distribution (Engineering Sales)

Campaign Website: www.chrishallnaples.com

What are the major issues facing county residents and how would you address them, if elected? Big government and control Workforce Housing Growth and Infrastructure We have to keep Collier County Great Limit the budget to what is necessary, limit govt overreach and control Provide incentives to create workforce housing communities and limit the rezoning habit that has created much of our growth issues.

What should Collier County do at this time to manage growth and development? Continue our plans to increase road sizes, add exits to I-75, add housing communities inside the county to limit commutes from the north and east and most of all, apply common sense to the growth plan and grow behind our infrastructure and not ahead of it.

What ideas do you have for increasing workforce housing in Collier County? Provide private sector solutions. Incentivize builders to build below market housing for qualified workforce to purchase, finance and be allowed ownership to live life stress free of rising rents due to demand. These communities will always be for the workforce and ownership can be conveyed w/a small amount of equity.

What is your position on Collier County medical marijuana dispensaries, under what conditions? Until this industry is stable and we can ensure the public of what is, how much, and the quality of hemp products, I will be opposed in every aspect of allowing dispensaries in the County.

Storm-water runoff and old septic tank leakage continue to be major sources of pollution to our local waters.

What practices do you favor to protect water quality? I'm in favor of the Bio Reactor that utilizes wood chips to eat the effluents and polluted water. These are 95% efficient and pump stations can be added to East Golden Gate and Downtown Naples for 750ishK dollars. Allow old septic systems to fail and be replaced by up to code and more eco-friendly aerobic systems.

BEBE KANTER (DEM):



Background: Loan officer for multi-family housing at the Dept. of Housing and Development in Chicago and Northwest Bank. Founded 3 businesses: Quiet Collier, Inc., Let's Speak English, Renaissance Properties.

Education: BA, Barnard College, Columbia University, 1974; MS, City and Regional Planning, Harvard, 1977

Campaign Website: www.CommissionerBebe.com

What are the major issues facing county residents and how would you address them, if elected? Environmental Issues: Collier County quality of life is threatened by air and water pollution, habitat loss, and noise.

What should Collier County do at this time to manage growth and development? Predictions about the costs of road and housing infrastructure, revenue were grossly UNDERESTIMATED for River Grass and Paradise Coast Sports Complex. The Growth Management and Planning should do reevaluations and suggest remedies to correct the damage done to Collier County residents.

What ideas do you have for increasing workforce housing in Collier County? I would vote in favor AHAC (Affordable Housing Advisory Commission) recommendations. Collier has already approved height variances to buildings, but the units were rented out to market rate tenants. The Housing Department should be enforcing these covenants. Code Enforcement should "ticket" violations to FL PHA units.

What is your position on Collier County medical marijuana dispensaries, under what conditions? I would vote to support the Planning and Zoning Advisory Committee's recommendations. It has spent years studying the issue with Collier County staff.

Storm-water runoff and old septic tank leakage continue to be major sources of pollution to our local waters.

What practices do you favor to protect water quality? Collier County Departments should BEGIN to enforce existing regulations concerning septic systems & more quickly install storm water sewers as recommended by the Water District. Reduce construction site storm water runoff with fencing and tarps covering debris. Eliminate illicit discharge (contaminated storm water).

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MARCO ISLAND CITY COUNCIL

The seven-member City Council is the legislative body of the City of Marco Island and is responsible for setting municipal policy, including the passage of laws and the annual budget. The City Council hires a City Manager to conduct the City's daily business and a City Attorney to protect the legal interests and assets of the City. The City Council Consists of seven members who are elected at large, in a nonpartisan election, by the voters to serve four-year, staggered terms. Three seats are open in the 2022 election. 2021-2022 Salary: \$6,000

ERIK C. BRECHNITZ (N):



Background: University of Missouri BA Economics, USAir force veteran, investment professional.

Campaign Website: erikfotmarco.com

If you're elected, what will be your top two priorities for the city, and what actions will you take to address them within your first six months in office? 1. Water quality. 2. Controlling density and intensity.

What measures should the city take to improve water quality in Marco Island's canals? Construct tide flushing structures so that tidal flow can more easily flush our canals. This was in the original Mackle brothers plan, but was never completed. Begin a pilot aeration program to see if we can get higher oxygen levels in our canal water. Continue an aggressive testing program both onshore and offshore.

How will you work to address the lack of affordable workforce housing in Marco Island? Marco Island is close to buildout so there is little opportunity for impactful projects on the island. Work with Collier County to develop housing close by, We are a small government and probably would get more bang for our buck by partnering with Collier County and their affordable housing initiatives.

How will you work to improve neighborhood safety and the overall quality of life for the residents of Marco Island, especially youth and families? Marco Island is extremely safe. In 2021 we only had 36 crimes that rose above the level of a misdemeanor. We are the third safest city in Florida and have often been the safest city. In terms of quality of life, we are trying to develop an intelligent traffic system to move traffic on and off the island in a much more efficient manner in order to impact the quality of life for our citizens.

What measures should the City take to address flooding and potential loss of property and life caused by tides (i.e., king tide/sunny day flooding), storms, and rising sea level? In so far as tide surges are concerned, there is very little the city can do except partner with the Corps of Engineers to participate in their hardening master plan for Collier County. They have proposed spending over \$1 billion in Collier county. The city has been working tirelessly to improve our storm water drainage system. Improving our swale system to catch more water so it does not flow dir.

CHRISTINE D. DOWELL (N):



Background: University of Missouri BA Economics, USAir force veteran, investment professional.

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If you're elected, what will be your top two priorities for the city, and what actions will you take to address them within your first six months in office? Water Quality: Appropriate funds towards quality improvement, Request for Information regarding Reuse vendors is completed as requested by the Waterways Advisory Committee(WAC), Data is obtained regarding Gulf waters further off shore, Enforce Fertilizer Ordinance, Implement the Rental Ordinance in a timely fashion.

What measures should the city take to improve water quality in Marco Island's canals? As above.

How will you work to address the lack of affordable workforce housing in Marco Island? The Collier County Affordable Housing Advisory Committee(AHAC) has had multiple meetings with many ideas put forward. Their next meeting is October 18. Marco Island will be rescheduling an Affordable Housing workshop. In prior years, there was an Interlocal Agreement with Collier County. This is an option that still should be on the table.

How will you work to improve neighborhood safety and the overall quality of life for the residents of Marco Island, especially youth and families? Implementation of National Neighborhood Watch program. nnw.org It is the premier crime prevention and community mobilization program. Short/long term goals for Parks/Rec budget especially for youth/family/young adult programs. Implement Naples' Leaf Blower Ordinance. Provide guidelines for electric bikes/scooters to ensure better safety for pedestrians and users alike.

What measures should the City take to address flooding and potential loss of property and life caused by tides (i.e., king tide/sunny day flooding), storms, and rising sea level? Improvement to swale system across the Island. Consider FEMA Flood Plain levels in new home building code.

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MARCO ISLAND CITY COUNCIL, cont'd

GREGORY S. FOLLEY (N):



Background: Greg is a full-time resident of Marco Island and was appointed to the City Council on June 1, 2020 to fill a vacancy. He was elected to fill the balance of Councilor Young's term in November of 2020. Greg is married to Margo, and is father to 9 children and two stepchildren, and is a grandfather of 11. He is a parishioner at San Marco Catholic Church. He is a veteran, an attorney and a retired Vice President of Caterpillar Inc., one of the largest and most iconic companies in the world. Greg attended the Stanford Executive Program at Stanford University Graduate School of Business. He holds a Juris Doctor degree from the University of Notre Dame Law School, a Bachelor of Arts in Economics (cum laude) from the University of Notre Dame, and was awarded an honorable medical discharge from the U.S. Naval Academy. He has extensive board experience with several different companies, and was admitted to the bars of Indiana, North Carolina, Wisconsin, Illinois and Texas.

If you're elected, what will be your top two priorities for the city, and what actions will you take to address them within your first six months in office? Candidate has not yet responded.

What measures should the city take to improve water quality in Marco Island's canals? No response.

How will you work to address the lack of affordable workforce housing in Marco Island? No response.

How will you work to improve neighborhood safety and the overall quality of life for the residents of Marco Island, especially youth and families? No response.

What measures should the City take to address flooding and potential loss of property and life caused by tides (i.e., king tide/sunny day flooding), storms, and rising sea level? No response.

DARRIN PALUMBO (N):



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If you're elected, what will be your top two priorities for the city, and what actions will you take to address them within your first six months in office? The most major of our challenges is our water quality within our canals and surrounding areas. Secondly, we need to address the next 25 years of growth while trying to balance a small island feel with a growing population. The only way either one of these challenges will be possible is if we address them as a united community. These issues are too big to fix if we are divided.

What measures should the city take to improve water quality in Marco Island's canals? No response.

How will you work to address the lack of affordable workforce housing in Marco Island? This is a serious issue; no ideas should be discounted. We could look towards possible land purchases in the 951 corridor of Naples, we could consider employee stipends that can only be used towards housing on Marco or in the East Naples area. The City could work with generous residents/property owners who are willing to rent at reduced cost for our workforce. All options need to be considered.

How will you work to improve neighborhood safety and the overall quality of life for the residents of Marco Island, especially youth and families? A police force that is engrained in our community and working together with our citizens is a must. We need something that resembles a small-town police force from years ago where everyone knows the officers personally. Our Chief is working in that direction and is off to a great start. More City-sponsored outdoor activities would increase quality of life for all residents of Marco Island.

What measures should the City take to address flooding and potential loss of property and life caused by tides (i.e., king tide/sunny day flooding), storms, and rising sea level? Truthfully, this is not an issue that Marco Island may be able to address on its own. This will need to be addressed on a county and state-wide level. However, we should consider higher building elevations, beachfront dredge and fill, and introducing more natural vegetation on the dunes. In addition, better swale maintenance and drainage definitely needs to be addressed.

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MARCO ISLAND CITY COUNCIL, *cont'd*

NANETTE A. RIVERA (N):



Background: Nanette Rivera is an industrial engineer from Georgia Tech with an MBA in Finance & Accounting from the University of Chicago. She uses her academic training to focus on facts; thus, her mantra: More Facts – Less Politics! Over 40-years in the Pharmaceutical Industry, her career progressed from entry Engineer to Corporate VP of Supply Chain Strategy. Since retirement, Nanette has focused her efforts in serving on community boards, such as the Big Cypress Basin (appointment by Governor), Vice-Chair of Marco Island's Planning Board. She is a Calusa Waterkeeper Ranger, is active with the San Marco Church Columbiettes and the Marco Island Power Squadron. She earned a Certified Crew designation with US Coast Guard Auxiliary and is an active volunteer with AL's Pals Mobile Food Pantry Distribution, and monthly beach cleanups. Her strength is in helping organizations to focus on how to deliver high quality services and value to those they serve.

Campaign Website: www.nanetterivera.com

If you're elected, what will be your top two priorities for the city, and what actions will you take to address them within your first six months in office? My top priorities are to 1): Restore the health of the Marco waterbody by upgrading the sewage treatment plant; 2) Focus on improving the quality of life on Marco, and 3) Improving the transparency and productivity of our city government.

What measures should the city take to improve water quality in Marco Island's canals? An upgrade of the sewage treatment plant should be completed as soon as possible. Marco's reuse water (also known as "poop water") from the sewage treatment plant is currently used to irrigate the landscaping of condos, hotels, city medians, and golf courses across the Island. This reuse water is equivalent to spraying liquid fertilizer on the landscaping and pollutes the canals and waterways.

How will you work to address the lack of affordable workforce housing in Marco Island? Assessing the basic need is the first step. This involves working with the commercial community to identify staffing levels and current housing arrangements. Some of the workers that I have talked to do not want to live on Marco. They say it is "too boring." Factually understanding the workforce needs and wants will help define gaps.

How will you work to improve neighborhood safety and the overall quality of life for the residents of Marco Island, especially youth and families? Safe sidewalks are important in promoting an active lifestyle and contributing to the quality-of-life and a sense of community for all residents of Marco Island. The vacation rental program (STR) is currently under review by the city council and we hope a simple yet effective form of a rental registration ordinance will pass. A senior center will add focus to the lives of many elders on Marco.

What measures should the City take to address flooding and potential loss of property and life caused by tides (i.e., king tide/sunny day flooding), storms, and rising sea level? Do not forget power outages. Some homes experienced flooding, while all homes experienced power outage. Marco benefits from more contemporary construction from more modern construction codes. A reference document for flood response is "Repairing Your Flooded Home," FEMA P-234 which includes a section on "flood proofing" of homes. Storm-proofing the electric grid on Marco should be investigated.

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COLLIER COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

School board members are elected at large in a non-partisan election and serve four-year staggered terms. Voters can choose one candidate per district and can vote for each district. The school board is responsible to set the vision and goals for the district, adopt policies to meet these goals, select, support and assess the superintendent, review budgeting, finance, and listen to the needs of staff, community and students. 2021-2022 Salary: \$43,007.

DISTRICT 1

JERRY D. RUTHERFORD:



Background: Born in Orlando, native of Florida. Married with 5 children, 10 Grandchildren, 2 Great Grandchildren. Business owner and contractor. Attended CCP School Board meetings for the past 35 years.

Education: Graduated Pahokee High School, Pahokee, FL.

Campaign Website: www.jerryrutherford.com

What are your priorities if elected to the School Board? Our American culture to the classroom. Be in classrooms often to observe and get feedback from teachers on how things could be improved. Work collaboratively with the School Board on educational improvements.

What qualities, characteristics and accomplishments do you consider important for the school superintendent for Collier County? Qualities I expect are honesty, cooperation, respect, and transparency. Characteristics would include high moral standards and willingness to work with the School Board for the best educational standards. Accomplishments: 90% or greater proficiency in ELA and math in their previous district, with a focus on citizenship.

How will you exercise your oversight role with respect to the school district's budget? I will look for ways to reduce the budget, reduce the tax rate and support a livable wage for teachers. As a painting contractor, I have learned to manage a project to meet the budget and keep expenses below budget as much as possible.

In your view, what impact do Florida's school choice programs, especially the scholarship or voucher programs, have on public school students? I believe that the best means of achieving the education of the student should be used. Basic education, functional literacy and a knowledge of American government and culture are the goal. There should be a variety of avenues to achieve these goals.

What is your position on parents' requests to remove books from school libraries and curriculum? There should be a policy that will consider each grievance individually. Parents, teachers, administrators, and citizens must be able to bring objection to books or materials, and the policy must be written to objectively evaluate materials based on standards of decency. A committee of the above shall create the policy.

JORY WESTBERRY:



Background: CCPS Teacher, Asst Principal, Principal, Mentor, Vice Chair CCPS Board.

Education: BA -Elem Ed, M. Ed -Ed Administration, Ed. D Doctor of Education (Honors) UM, Certified Board Member.

Campaign Website: www.jorywestberry.com

What are your priorities if elected to the School Board? Continue analyzing student academic progress to determine the most effective strategies/pedagogy for success, determine whether high caliber materials are available to fulfill the Board's priorities and ensure that resources and training are available to teachers/staff to ensure high performance with their students.

What qualities, characteristics and accomplishments do you consider important for the school superintendent for Collier County? The new Supt must be a proactive leader who listens and values others' expertise, solicits innovative ideas, communicates with all stakeholders with honesty and integrity, strong leadership experience K-12, academic knowledge about learning and goal setting and credibility and the courage to implement change as needed.

How will you exercise your oversight role with respect to the school district's budget? The budget is largely based on the Strategic Plan/identified academic needs/building needs etc. Meetings are held with many groups of auditors and Board over the course of a year after analyses and recommendations. To date, we have had no "findings." Auditors' results are shared in the Sunshine at Board meetings.

In your view, what impact do Florida's school choice programs, especially the scholarship or voucher programs, have on public school students? Of the 40,000+ students in CCPS schools, there are 54 CCPS schools and 8 charters. Charters were designated to provide a unique focus from public schools; some do, some don't. Scholarship/voucher programs could provide a few students bullied or harassed passage to another school, but there should be process oversight.

What is your position on parents' requests to remove books from school libraries and curriculum? I respect parents' concerns. Junie B Jones, Charlotte's Web and Harry Potter were once banned, but for some students this creates interest and books will still be accessible online, public libraries and shared by friends. Books should be age appropriate. CCPS has a process in place to address concerns and take action.

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DISTRICT 3

KELLY LICHTER:



Background: I am a wife and mother of two school-aged children. I am a former high school teacher and founder and president of Mason Classical Academy, Collier County's highest performing public school.

Education: BA in History Baldwin-Wallace College, Master's in Social Studies Education.

Campaign Website: www.kellylichter.com

What are your priorities if elected to the School Board? 1. Establish a knowledge-based curriculum, which will improve academic outcomes 2. Eliminate fraud, waste and abuse at the District 3. When the Superintendent retires, replacing this position will be a major priority, because they will have a significant impact on the District.

What qualities, characteristics and accomplishments do you consider important for the school superintendent for Collier County? I will look for someone who is honest, has integrity, believes in transparency and accountability and someone who cares more about doing the right thing rather than promoting themselves through public relations.

How will you exercise your oversight role with respect to the school district's budget? I would rather see real in-depth discussions at budget workshops on the budget rather than a dog and pony show. Just because the District has always been doing it this way does not mean it is the most effective.

In your view, what impact do Florida's school choice programs, especially the scholarship or voucher programs, have on public school students? School choice is good for education. A one-size-fits-all approach is not what is best for children. My decisions are based on what is best for students.

What is your position on parents' requests to remove books from school libraries and curriculum? I support these parents as they have exposed downright filthy material that has no place in our schools. There are so many great works of literature that should be read by our students.

JEN MITCHELL:



Background: I am the chair of the Collier County School Board, a local Realtor and mother of 4 traditional public-school students. I've lived in Naples for 25 years but was born and raised in Lafayette, Indiana.

Education: I am a graduate of Purdue University.

Campaign Website: www.votejenmitchell.com

What are your priorities if elected to the School Board? I will continue to focus on student achievement, specifically improving reading and math proficiency, attracting, and retaining talented teachers, expanding career and technical education, and maintaining strict budget oversight.

What qualities, characteristics and accomplishments do you consider important for the school superintendent for Collier County? A Superintendent in Collier County must be an excellent communicator who is engaged in the community, with a vision for improving student achievement, and the leadership skills to execute that vision. The Superintendent must be willing to look for cost savings wherever possible and prioritize needs over wants.

How will you exercise your oversight role with respect to the school district's budget? I will continue to review monthly expenditures and analyze data to determine our return on investment of the various programs throughout the district prior to voting to approve. I will also continue to ensure that our budget is aligned with our strategic plan.

In your view, what impact do Florida's school choice programs, especially the scholarship or voucher programs, have on public school students? While I do support GOOD choices, my fear is that there is not enough oversight to make sure that the choices that exist are actually good. If the money is going to follow the child, then the taxpayer must be able to follow the money. Covid-19 revealed to me just how different learners can be, so choices are important.

What is your position on parents' requests to remove books from school libraries and curriculum? I believe it's a parent's right to determine whether or not their child is exposed to particular book or element of curriculum, however it is NOT their right to make that determination for another child. CCPS routinely works with parents to assign alternate work, for example when this issue arises.

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DISTRICT 5

TIMOTHY MOSHIER:



Background: 30 years in transportation and logistics! Married for 34 years with 3 daughters and 4 grandchildren! Resident of Florida since 1997! Business owner in Naples Florida and resident of Everglade City, FL!

Education: Graduate of Northwood University 1988 with a degree in automotive and service management!

Campaign Website: www.timforcolliercountyschools.org

What are your priorities if elected to the School Board? Safety and security for our students, teachers, and staff! Strengthen learning with a tighter budget! Make removing sexually explicit materials from the media center smooth and cameras in the classroom! Bring teachers' pay up to national average based on merit!

What qualities, characteristics and accomplishments do you consider important for the school superintendent for Collier County? The superintendent needs to focus on the failing students and listen to the parents! Fiscally responsible! How to do more with less! Common Sense approach to recognizing every child is a gift regardless of their ability! Lead by example!

How will you exercise your oversight role with respect to the school district's budget? Line by line and a forensic audit!

In your view, what impact do Florida's school choice programs, especially the scholarship or voucher programs, have on public school students? It gives every student a fair education regardless of their zip code or religious beliefs! Money should follow the student!

What is your position on parents' requests to remove books from school libraries and curriculum? Agree 100 percent! School is for learning not indoctrination!

ROY M. TERRY:



Background: 44 years in education in Collier County

Education: BS from Western Maryland College, M/Ed from Colorado State University

Campaign Website: www.voteroyterry.com

What are your priorities if elected to the School Board? Hiring a new superintendent, opening a new high school, and rezoning and making sure our schools are safe, and serving all the students of Collier County.

What qualities, characteristics and accomplishments do you consider important for the school superintendent for Collier County? Experience as a Superintendent or Assistant, ability to work with the community. Honest and high integrity, ability to keep moving our District forward, passion for the job.

How will you exercise your oversight role with respect to the school district's budget? I will offer suggestions prior to the presentation of the budget Seek for possible cuts Once the budget is presented, I will review it and offer my suggestions to the Superintendent

In your view, what impact do Florida's school choice programs, especially the scholarship or voucher programs, have on public school students? I support school choice but think Charters should offer something different for our students. I do not support vouchers for private schools

What is your position on parents' requests to remove books from school libraries and curriculum? We have a process in place to review any complaints that we receive. That committee will look to see if the book is age appropriate and they will make a recommendation to the School Board.

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COMMUNITY DEV. & IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS

The Community Development District (CDD) and Community Improvement District (CID) are local, special-purpose taxing entities authorized by Florida Statutes for purposes of financing, constructing, operating, and maintaining community-wide infrastructure, improvements, and services for the benefit of the properties within its boundaries. Each CDD/CID is governed by a five-member board of supervisors, selected by residents of the specific geographic area in a non-partisan election. Salary: \$200 per meeting, up to \$4,800 per year Term: 4 years, staggered.

CEDAR HAMMOCK COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

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PORT OF THE ISLANDS COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT SUPERVISOR

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SEAT 4

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FIRE CONTROL & RESCUE DISTRICTS

Fire District Commissioners are responsible for ensuring that District staff complies with applicable State and Federal mandates, preserving the district's property and assets, stewarding the district's finances and affairs, adopting an annual budget and monitoring progress towards reaching established goals. Term: 4 years' Salary: \$5,000 per year

GREATER NAPLES FIRE RESCUE EAST NAPLES DIVISION

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SEAT 1

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GREATER NAPLES FIRE RESCUE DISTRICT AT LARGE

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GREATER NAPLES FIRE RESCUE DISTRICT

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NORTH COLLIER FIRE RESCUE DISTRICT GOLDEN GATE

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COLLIER MOSQUITO CONTROL BOARD

The Mosquito Control District is an independent special taxing district of the State of Florida. A five-member, at-large Board of Commissioners governs the district, elected in a non-partisan race. These individuals represent community interests, set the millage rate, approve the budget, ensure the Executive Director and staff are fulfilling the district's mission, and oversee the expenditure of taxpayers' funds. The Board meets regularly to provide transparency and understanding about the processes used in the county to control disease-carrying and nuisance mosquitoes. Salary: \$4,800 Term: 4 years.

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FLORIDA CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

ABOUT THE NOVEMBER 8TH GENERAL ELECTION

Proposed amendments to the Florida Constitution may be made by a joint resolution of the Florida Legislature, a citizens' initiative, a proposal from the Constitution Revision Commission, or a proposal from the Taxation and Budget Reform Commission. The Florida Legislature proposed three amendments, at large. Any proposed amendment requires at least 60% approval from voters to pass.

AMENDMENT 1 – LIMIT ON INCREASED PROPERTY ASSESSMENT FOR FLOOD IMPROVEMENTS

This amendment would allow the Florida Legislature to pass laws that would make improvements intended to protect homes from flood damage exempt from higher assessments. The amendment is in response to the threat to Florida homes from rising sea levels.

AMENDMENT 2 - ABOLISH THE STATE CONSTITUTION REVISION COMMITTEE (CRC)

An amendment to Florida's Constitution can get on the ballot several ways, including through a vote by the Legislature, a citizen-led petition drive, constitutional convention, the Taxation and Budget Reform Commission and the Florida Constitution Revision Commission (CRC), which convenes every 20 years and whose 37 members are appointed by the governor, legislative leaders and the chief justice of the Florida Supreme court. This amendment would abolish the CRC, which last convened in 2017-18 and placed eight amendments on the 2018 ballot, several of which bundled different amendments into one question. The Citizen Initiative process for amending the Constitution has already been significantly restricted by the state Legislature in recent years.

AMENDMENT 3- NEW \$50,000 HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION FOR CERTAIN PUBLIC SERVICE EMPLOYEES

This amendment would authorize the state Legislature to create a new homestead exemption of up to \$50,000 for certain public service employees, including "classroom teachers, law enforcement officers, correctional officers, firefighters, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, child welfare services professionals, active-duty members of the United States Armed Forces, and members of the Florida National Guard." The exemption means property owners in these professions can subtract \$50,000 from the assessed value of their property, which will reduce their local property tax bills. The exemption would be in addition to the standard \$50,000 homestead exemptions Floridians already receive on their primary residence. The new exemption would not apply to assessments for school taxes. The Legislature has already passed a companion bill that, if the constitutional amendment is passed by 60% of Florida's voters, will create the new exemption and make it effective on Jan. 1, 2023.

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COLLIER COUNTY LOCAL REFERENDA

REQUEST A VOTE BY MAIL BALLOT:

No later than October 29, 5pm

- EARLY VOTING: October 27-November 5, 9am-6pm
- ELECTION DAY: November 08, 7am-7pm

QUESTIONS?

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