

MANATEE COUNTY General Election, November 8, 2016 Sample Ballot

ALL VOTERS WILL HAVE THE FOLLOWING RACES ON THEIR NOVEMBER BALLOT

President and Vice President
(Vote for 1)

Donald J. Trump Michael R. Pence REP

Hillary Rodham Clinton Timothy Michael Kaine DEM

Gary Johnson Bill Weld LPF

Darrell L. Castle Scott N. Bradley CPF

Jill Stein Ajamu Baraka GRE

Roque (Rocky) De La Fuente Michael Steinberg REF

Write-in

United States Senator
(Vote for 1)

Marco Rubio REP

Patrick Murphy DEM

Paul Stanton LPF

Basil E. Dalack NPA

Tony Khoury NPA

Steven Machat NPA

Bruce Nathan NPA

Write-in

United States Representative District 16
(Vote for 1)

Vern Buchanan REP

Jan Schneider DEM

County Commissioner District 7 (At-Large)
(Vote for 1)

Betsy Benac REP

Jack Richardson NPA

Supreme Court Justice

Shall Judge Charles T. Canady of the Supreme Court be retained in office?

Yes

No

Shall Judge Jorge Labarga of the Supreme Court be retained in office?

Yes

No

Shall Judge Ricky L. Polston of the Supreme Court be retained in office?

Yes

No

District Court of Appeal

Shall Judge John Badalamenti of the Second District Court of Appeal be retained in office?

Yes

No

Shall Judge Marva L. Crenshaw of the Second District Court of Appeal be retained in office?

Yes

No

Shall Judge Patricia J. Kelly of the Second District Court of Appeal be retained in office?

Yes

No

Shall Judge Nelly N. Khouzam of the Second District Court of Appeal be retained in office?

Yes

No

Shall Judge Matt Lucas of the Second District Court of Appeal be retained in office?

Yes

No

Shall Judge Robert Morris of the Second District Court of Appeal be retained in office?

Yes

No

Shall Judge Stevan Travis Northcutt of the Second District Court of Appeal be retained in office?

Yes

No

Shall Judge Samuel Salario Jr. of the Second District Court of Appeal be retained in office?

Yes

No

District Court of Appeal

Shall Judge Craig C. Villanti of the Second District Court of Appeal be retained in office?

Yes

No

Shall Judge Douglas Alan Wallace of the Second District Court of Appeal be retained in office?

Yes

No

School Board Member District 1
(Vote for 1)

Gina K. Messenger

Edward G. Viltz

School Board Member District 3
(Vote for 1)

Dave "Watchdog" Miner

Misty Servia

No. 1 Constitutional Amendment, Article X, Section 29 (Initiative)

Rights of Electricity Consumers Regarding Solar Energy Choice

This amendment establishes a right under Florida's constitution for consumers to own or lease solar equipment installed on their property to generate electricity for their own use. State and local governments shall retain their abilities to protect consumer rights and public health, safety and welfare, and to ensure that consumers who do not choose to install solar are not required to subsidize the costs of backup power and electric grid access to those who do.

Financial Impact Statement:
The amendment is not expected to result in an increase or decrease in any revenues or costs to state and local government.

Yes

No

No. 2 Constitutional Amendment Article X, Section 29 (Initiative)

Use of Marijuana for Debilitating Medical Conditions

Allows medical use of marijuana for individuals with debilitating medical conditions as determined by a licensed Florida physician. Allows caregivers to assist patients' medical use of marijuana. The Department of Health shall register and regulate centers that produce and distribute marijuana for medical purposes and shall issue identification cards to patients and caregivers. Applies only to Florida law. Does not immunize violations of federal law or any non-medical use, possession or production of marijuana.

Financial Impact Statement:
Increased costs from this amendment to state and local governments cannot be determined. There will be additional regulatory costs and enforcement activities associated with the production, sale, use and possession of medical marijuana. Fees may offset some of the regulatory costs. Sales tax will likely apply to most purchases, resulting in a substantial increase in state and local government revenues that cannot be determined precisely. The impact on property tax revenues cannot be determined.

Yes

No

No. 3 Constitutional Amendment Article VII, Section 6, Article XII (Legislative)

Tax Exemption for Totally and Permanently Disabled First Responders.

Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to authorize a first responder, who is totally and permanently disabled as a result of injuries sustained in the line of duty, to receive relief from ad valorem taxes assessed on homestead property, if authorized by general law. If approved by voters, the amendment takes effect January 1, 2017.

Yes

No

No. 5 Constitutional Amendment Article VII, Section 6, Article XII (Legislative)

Homestead Tax Exemption for Certain Senior, Low-Income, Long-Term Residents; Determination of Just Value.

Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to revise the homestead tax exemption that may be granted by counties or municipalities for property with just value less than \$250,000 owned by certain senior, low-income, long-term residents to specify that just value is determined in the first tax year the owner applies and is eligible for the exemption. The amendment takes effect January 1, 2017, and applies retroactively to exemptions granted before January 1, 2017.

Yes

No

No. 6 County Referendum

Half Cent Sales Surtax For Public Infrastructure

To provide for safer neighborhoods, reduce traffic congestion, and improve roadways and public facilities, shall Manatee County levy a half cent sales surtax for a period of fifteen years to fund roadways, sidewalks, intersections, street lights, infrastructure for law enforcement, emergency response, libraries, parks, waterways, public buildings and stormwater, all projects located exclusively in Manatee County, with citizen oversight?

FOR the half cent sales tax

AGAINST the half cent sales tax

No. 7 County School Board Referendum

Extending the Existing School One Half Cent Sales Surtax for Capital Outlay of Educational Facilities

Shall the Manatee County School Board extend the existing countywide one half cent sales surtax for fifteen additional years, from January 1, 2018, to ending on December 31, 2032, charging its Audit Committee with the oversight of the surtax, thereby maintaining revenues statutorily available to be used for capital expenditures to reduce overcrowding, reduce portable classrooms, renovate existing schools, build new schools where needed, purchase technology, and improve student safety and achievement.

For the one half cent sales tax

Against the one half cent sales tax

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**ALL VOTERS IN DISTRICT 70
WILL HAVE THE FOLLOWING RACE
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- State Representative
District 70**
(Vote for 1)
- Cori Fournier REP
 - Wengay "Newt" Newton DEM

**ALL VOTERS IN DISTRICT 73
WILL HAVE THE FOLLOWING RACE
ON THEIR NOVEMBER BALLOT**

- State Representative
District 73**
(Vote for 1)
- Joe Gruters REP
 - James T. Golden DEM

**ALL VOTERS IN COUNTY COMMISSION
DISTRICT 3 WILL HAVE THE FOLLOWING
RACE ON THEIR NOVEMBER BALLOT**

- County Commissioner
District 3**
(Vote for 1)
- Steve Jonsson REP
 - Matt Bower NPA
 - David L. Zaccagnino NPA

**ALL VOTERS IN FOREST CREEK CDD
WILL HAVE THE FOLLOWING
RACE ON THEIR NOVEMBER BALLOT**

- Forest Creek CDD
Seat 2**
(Vote for 1)
- Fred F. Mittmann
 - Darryl D. Steiner

**ALL VOTERS IN HERITAGE HARBOUR
SOUTH CDD WILL HAVE THE FOLLOWING
RACES ON THEIR NOVEMBER BALLOT**

- Heritage Harbour South CDD
Seat 2**
(Vote for 1)
- Michelle Patterson
 - Joe Ramsey

- Heritage Harbour South CDD
Seat 4**
(Vote for 1)
- Larry Eichert
 - Joyce Sandy

**ALL VOTERS IN LAKEWOOD RANCH
CDD 1 WILL HAVE THE FOLLOWING
RACE ON THEIR NOVEMBER BALLOT**

- Lakewood Ranch CDD 1
Seat 2**
(Vote for 1)
- Kristiana Dragash
 - Laura Fox

**ALL VOTERS IN LAKEWOOD RANCH
CDD 6 WILL HAVE THE FOLLOWING
RACE ON THEIR NOVEMBER BALLOT**

- Lakewood Ranch CDD 6
Seat 4**
(Vote for 1)
- Jane Ann Bruyer
 - Robert Crain

**ALL VOTERS IN PALMS OF TERRA CEIA
CDD WILL HAVE THE FOLLOWING
RACE ON THEIR NOVEMBER BALLOT**

- Palms of Terra Ceia CDD
Seat 4**
(Vote for 1)
- Henrietta M. Larson
 - Charles "Charlie" Weidner

**ALL VOTERS IN TARA CDD
WILL HAVE THE FOLLOWING
RACES ON THEIR NOVEMBER BALLOT**

- Tara CDD
Seat 4**
(Vote for 1)
- Darby Connor
 - Larry G. Dick
 - Valentina Hawks

- Tara CDD
Seat 2**
(Vote for 1)
- Eugene J. Rado
 - John R. Schmidt

**ALL VOTERS IN CEDAR HAMMOCK FIRE
DISTRICT WILL HAVE THE FOLLOWING
RACE ON THEIR NOVEMBER BALLOT**

- Cedar Hammock Fire District Seat 5**
(Vote for 1)
- Stephen Litschauer
 - John Stevens

**ALL VOTERS IN EAST MANATEE FIRE
DISTRICT WILL HAVE THE FOLLOWING
RACES ON THEIR NOVEMBER BALLOT**

- East Manatee Fire District Seat 4**
(Vote for 1)
- James D. Bon Ami
 - Derek Foss

- East Manatee Fire District Seat 2**
(Vote for 1)
- James R. Carlino
 - Bob Conley

**ALL VOTERS IN NORTH RIVER FIRE
DISTRICT WILL HAVE THE FOLLOWING
RACE ON THEIR NOVEMBER BALLOT**

- North River Fire District Seat 4**
(Vote for 1)
- Harry L. Blenker
 - Richard R. Wood

**ALL VOTERS IN PARRISH FIRE DISTRICT
WILL HAVE THE FOLLOWING
RACES ON THEIR NOVEMBER BALLOT**

- Parrish Fire District Seat 4**
(Vote for 1)
- Richard Chaykin
 - James Arthur Nuwer
 - Nerina Stepanovsky
 - Steven M. Trompke

- Parrish Fire District Seat 2**
(Vote for 1)
- Edward G. Chitty
 - Kelvin Lindbloom

**ALL VOTERS IN THE CITY OF ANNA MARIA
WILL HAVE THE FOLLOWING
RACE ON THEIR NOVEMBER BALLOT**

- City of Anna Maria
Commission**
(Vote for up to 2)
- Brian F. Seymour
 - Chuck Webb
 - Nancy Yetter

**ALL VOTERS IN THE CITY OF BRADENTON
WILL HAVE THE FOLLOWING
RACES ON THEIR NOVEMBER BALLOT**

- City of Bradenton
City Council Ward 1**
(Vote for 1)
- Devon Davis
 - Gene Gallo
 - Tami Spyker Goudy

- City of Bradenton
City Council Ward 5**
(Vote for 1)
- Harold E. Byrd Jr.
 - Keenan Wooten

- City of Bradenton
Mayor**
(Vote for 1)
- Warren Merriman
 - Wayne Poston
 - Eleuterio Salazar Jr.

**ALL VOTERS IN THE CITY OF
BRADENTON BEACH WILL HAVE
THE FOLLOWING RACES ON
THEIR NOVEMBER BALLOT**

- City of Bradenton Beach
Commission Ward 4**
(Vote for 1)
- John Chappie
 - William "Bill" Vincent

**No. 9 City of Bradenton Beach
Referendum**

**Adoption of Residential Building
Moratorium Ordinance**

Shall Ordinance No. 16-464, which provides for a six (6) month Moratorium on the acceptance, review, and issuance of building permit applications for all residential units in the R1 and R2 zoning districts of the City, that will contain more than four (4) rooms that will be or can be used for bedrooms or sleeping areas, and duplexes limited to two bedrooms or sleeping areas per side/level, be enacted?

- Yes, For Approval
- No, For Rejection

**ALL VOTERS IN THE TOWN OF LONGBOAT
KEY WILL HAVE THE FOLLOWING
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**No. 10 Town of Longboat Key
Density Referendum**

May the Town allow the contiguous properties known as Whitney Plaza as more fully identified and described in Manatee County Property Appraiser's parcel ID numbers 7803800007, 7805000051, and 7818700059 and comprising approximately five (5) acres (approximately 3.5 acres uplands), to increase density from C-2 commercial uses (which allows no density) to R-6MX residential use (which allows a maximum of six (6) units per acre)?

- YES - In Favor of
- NO - Against

**No. 11 Town of Longboat Key
Density Referendum**

May the Town allow the property located at 4134 Gulf of Mexico Drive and comprising approximately 0.874 acres, to increase residential density from zero (0) residential units per acre to a maximum of three (3) residential units per acre?

- YES - In Favor of
- NO - Against

**ALL VOTERS IN THE CITY OF PALMETTO
WILL HAVE THE FOLLOWING
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**No. 8 City of Palmetto
Proposed Charter Amendments**

**Amendments to the City of
Palmetto Charter**

Shall the City of Palmetto Charter be amended and restated as described in Ordinance 2016-04, amending the qualifications to serve in the office of Commissioner, providing additional guidance to the appointment of a Vice Mayor, and amending the role of and the appointment to the Charter Review Commission and amendments of the Charter, clarifying the effective date of amendments and providing for the operation of City government?

- Yes
- No

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