



Republican Party of Palm Beach County

2026 Mid-Term Election Down Ballot Review

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Non-Partisan Races

Races in which the Party Affiliation of the Candidate is not on the ballot.

2026 Mid-Term Election Non-Partisan Races - Republican Candidates				
School Board/Runoff	District 4	Daniel	Zapata	Districted
Indian Trail Improvement District	Seat 1	Kirk Allen	Ljongquist	Districted
		Jay	Sweet	Districted
Indian Trail Improvement District	Seat 3	*Patricia Alice	Farrell	Districted
		Jack Lloyd	Bell	Districted
Indian Trail Improvement District	Seat 5	Michael Timothy	Johnson	Districted
		Christopher Charles	Karch	Districted
Palm Beach Water & Soil	Group 3	Edward "Lewis"	Pope III	Countywide
*Incumbent				



Quick Reference Table for Florida Judges

Name of Judge	Court	Assumed Office	Appointed By	Prior Retention
Carlos G. Muñiz	Florida Supreme Court	Jan. 22, 2019	Ron DeSantis	2022 — 65.7%
Alan O. Forst	Fourth DCA	Mar. 7, 2013	Rick Scott	2020 — 64.3%*
Mark W. Klingensmith	Fourth DCA	Jun. 27, 2013	Rick Scott	2020 — 63.0%*
Johnathan D. Lott	Fourth DCA	Nov. 12, 2025	Ron DeSantis	N/A
Shannon K. Shaw	Fourth DCA	Oct. 1, 2025	Ron DeSantis	N/A
Caroline Cahill Shepherd	Fourth DCA	Oct. 1, 2025	Ron DeSantis	N/A

Party Recommendation: Retain all



Constitutional Amendments

AMENDMENT 1

Budget Stabilization Fund

(AKA Rainy Day Fund)

AMENDMENT 2

Exemption of Tangible Personal Property of Agricultural Land from Taxation

AMENDMENT 3

Increased Homestead Exemptions; Lower Cap on Increases in Non-Homestead Property Assessments



County Questions

PARKS

Issuance of bonds paid for by Ad Valorem Taxes levied on all taxable property

LIBRARY

Issuance of bonds payable paid by Ad Valorem Taxes

SCHOOL DISTRICT

Referendum to continue Ad Valorem Levy



County Question Details

Question	Amount/Rate	How is it funded?	Who pays?	Estimated property-tax impact	Length
Parks	Up to \$280 million	General obligation bonds	Taxable property throughout Palm Beach County	About \$5 per \$100,000 of taxable value	Up to 20 years
Schools	1.00 mill	Property-tax levy	Property owners subject to the school levy	\$1 per \$1,000 of taxable value	July 2027–June 2031
Libraries	Up to \$175 million	General obligation bonds	Taxable property within the Library District	About \$6 per \$100,000 of taxable value	Up to 20 years



Proposed Projects

Parks	Library	Schools
Modernizing aging parks and recreation facilities	Acquisition of library facilities	School safety
Improve and expand sports complexes.	New construction	School police
Improve botanical gardens.	Reconstruction	Mental-health services
Increase public beach access.	Expansion	Art teachers
Improve connections between trails.	Improvements	Music teachers
Develop new regional parks.	Library equipment	Physical-education teachers
		Career and choice-program teachers
		Improved teachers' pay.



Cost to Taxpayers

What Could These Three Proposals Cost a Property Owner?				
Estimated Property-Tax Impact on a \$450,000 Taxable Property				
Ballot Question	Tax Rate / Estimate	Estimated Annual Cost	Estimated Term	Estimated Total Over Stated Term
Parks	\$5 per \$100,000	\$22.50/year	Up to 20 years	\$450
Libraries	\$6 per \$100,000	\$27/year	Up to 20 years	\$540
Schools	1.00 mill	\$450/year	4 years	\$1,800
All Three	—	\$499.50/year	Varies	\$2,790



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