

**\*\*SAMPLE BALLOT\*\***

**DEKALB COUNTY**

**SAMPLE ABSENTEE/PROVISIONAL/EMERGENCY BALLOT**

**MUNICIPAL GENERAL AND SPECIAL ELECTION OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA  
NOVEMBER 7, 2023**

This composite sample ballot contains all races for the November 7th Municipal General and Special Election in DeKalb County, including some races that you may not be eligible to vote on. Please check online for your personal sample ballot at <http://www.mvp.sos.ga.gov>.

**CITY OF ATLANTA**

**For Board of Education Member  
District 1  
(Vote for One)**

- Katie P. Howard  
(Incumbent)
- \_\_\_\_\_  
Write-in

**For Board of Education Member  
District 3  
(Vote for One)**

- Michelle Olympiadis  
(Incumbent)
- Ken Zeff
- \_\_\_\_\_  
Write-in

**For Board of Education Member  
District 7  
(Vote for One)**

- Alfred "Shivy" Brooks
- Tamara Jones  
(Incumbent)
- William Sardin
- \_\_\_\_\_  
Write-in

**For Board of Education Member  
District 9  
(Vote for One)**

- Jessica Johnson  
(Incumbent)
- Nkoyo Effiong Lewis
- \_\_\_\_\_  
Write-in

**CITY OF AVONDALE ESTATES**

**For Mayor  
(Vote for One)**

- Jonathan Elmore  
(Incumbent)
- \_\_\_\_\_  
Write-in

**For City Commissioner  
(Vote for Two)**

- Graham Reiney
- Michael Smith
- \_\_\_\_\_  
Write-in
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Write-in

**CITY OF BROOKHAVEN**

**For Mayor  
(Vote for One)**

- Mark Douglas Frost
- Lauren Kiefer
- Hilerie Lind
- H.J. "John" Park
- \_\_\_\_\_  
Write-in

**For City Council  
District 1  
(Vote for One)**

- Alan Cole
- Michael Diaz
- Linley Jones  
(Incumbent)
- \_\_\_\_\_  
Write-in

**For City Council  
District 3  
(Vote for One)**

- Madeleine N. Simmons  
(Incumbent)
- \_\_\_\_\_  
Write-in

**SPECIAL ELECTION  
CITY OF BROOKHAVEN**

**For City Council  
District 2  
(To Fill the Unexpired Term of  
H.J. "John" Park, Resigned)  
(Vote for One)**

- Blake Beyer
- Jen Owens
- \_\_\_\_\_  
Write-in

**CITY OF CHAMBLEE**

**For City Council  
District 2  
(Vote for One)**

- Michael Braun
- Leslie C. Robson  
(Incumbent)
- \_\_\_\_\_  
Write-in

**For City Council  
District 3  
(Vote for One)**

- Ben Quackenbush
- Paul Stovall  
(Incumbent)
- \_\_\_\_\_  
Write-in

**For City Council  
District 4  
(Vote for One)**

- Elmer L. Veith  
(Incumbent)
- \_\_\_\_\_  
Write-in

**CITY OF CLARKSTON**

**For City Council**  
(Vote for Three)

- Krista Durant
- Awet "Howard" Eyasu  
(Incumbent)
- Laura C. Hopkins  
(Incumbent)
- Charles B. Jenkins
- Debra D. Johnson  
(Incumbent)
- Dean Sumner Moore
- Mark W. Perkins
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Write-in
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**CITY OF DECATUR**

**For City Commissioner**  
**At Large**  
(Vote for One)

- Anthony "Tony" Powers  
(Incumbent)
- \_\_\_\_\_  
Write-in

**For City Commissioner**  
**District 1, Post B**  
(Vote for One)

- George Dusenbury  
(Incumbent)
- \_\_\_\_\_  
Write-in

**For City Commissioner**  
**District 2, Post B**  
(Vote for One)

- Lesa Mayer  
(Incumbent)
- \_\_\_\_\_  
Write-in

**For City Board of Education**  
**District 1, Post B**  
(Vote for One)

- James H. Herndon  
(Incumbent)
- \_\_\_\_\_  
Write-in

**For City Board of Education**  
**District 2, Post B**  
(Vote for One)

- Tracey Anderson
- India Phipps Epps
- \_\_\_\_\_  
Write-in

**CITY OF DORAVILLE**

**For Mayor**  
(Vote for One)

- Joseph Geierman  
(Incumbent)
- Tom Hart
- \_\_\_\_\_  
Write-in

**For City Council**  
**District 1 Post 2**  
(Vote for One)

- Andy Yeoman  
(Incumbent)
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Write-in

**For City Council**  
**District 1 Post 3**  
(Vote for One)

- Warren Simmons  
(Incumbent)
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Write-in

**For City Council**  
**District 2 Post 2**  
(Vote for One)

- Carrie Armistead
- Ben Crawford
- MD Naser
- \_\_\_\_\_  
Write-in

**CITY OF DUNWOODY**

**For Mayor**  
(Vote for One)

- Lynn Deutsch  
(Incumbent)
- \_\_\_\_\_  
Write-in

**For City Council**  
**District 1, Post 4 At Large**  
(Vote for One)

- Stacey Harris  
(Incumbent)
- Chris Ozor
- \_\_\_\_\_  
Write-in

**For City Council**  
**District 2, Post 5 At Large**  
(Vote for One)

- Marianella Lopez
- Joe Seconder  
(Incumbent)
- \_\_\_\_\_  
Write-in

**For City Council**  
**District 3, Post 6 At Large**  
(Vote for One)

- John Heneghan  
(Incumbent)
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Write-in

**CITY OF LITHONIA**

**For Mayor**  
(Vote for One)

- Shameka S. Reynolds  
(Incumbent)
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Write-in

**For City Council**  
(Vote for Two)

- William "Ric" Dodd
- Darold P. Honore, Jr.  
(Incumbent)
- Fred Westbrook
- Vanneriah Wynn  
(Incumbent)
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Write-in

**CITY OF PINE LAKE**

**For Mayor**  
(Vote for One)

Brandy M. Hall

Moira Nelligan

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Write-in

**For City Council**  
(Vote for Two)

Nivea Castro  
(Incumbent)

Jeff Goldberg

Thomas Torrent

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Write-in

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Write-in

**CITY OF STONE MOUNTAIN**

**For City Council Member  
Post 1**  
(Vote for One)

Anita Bass

Gina Stroud Cox  
(Incumbent)

Beverly Howard Patterson

Mike Schaaphok

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Write-in

**For City Council Member  
Post 2**  
(Vote for One)

Mark Marianos

Clint Monroe  
(Incumbent)

Hannah Pizano

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Write-in

**For City Council Member  
Post 3**  
(Vote for One)

Grace Kelly

Richard Mailman

India Pullin

Ryan M. Smith

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Write-in

**CITY OF STONECREST**

**For Mayor**  
(Vote for One)

Diane Adoma

Jazzmin Cobble  
(Incumbent)

Kirby Frazier, Jr.

Dele Lowman

Bernard Smith, Jr.

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Write-in

**For City Councilmember  
District Post 2**  
(Vote for One)

Terry Eye

Belinda Hull

Rob Turner  
(Incumbent)

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Write-in

**For City Councilmember  
District Post 4**  
(Vote for One)

Malaika "Wells" Geuka

George Turner  
(Incumbent)

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Write-in

**CITY OF TUCKER**

**For City Council Member  
District 1, Post 2**  
(Vote for One)

Karen Berry

Virginia Rece  
(Incumbent)

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Write-in

**For City Council Member  
District 2, Post 2**  
(Vote for One)

Patrice Cosby

Vinh Nguyen

Derik N. West

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Write-in

**For City Council Member  
District 3, Post 2**  
(Vote for One)

Simone Pacely

Amy O. Trocchi

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Write-in

**SPECIAL ELECTION  
DEKALB COUNTY**

**DeKalb County Suspension of  
Homestead Option Sales Tax  
and Approval of Equalized  
Homestead Option Sales Tax**  
(Vote for One)

“NOTICE TO ELECTORS: Unless BOTH the equalized homestead option sales and use tax (EHOST) AND the special purpose local option sales and use tax (SPLOST) are approved, then neither sales and use tax shall become effective.”

“Shall an equalized homestead option sales and use tax be levied and the regular homestead option sales and use tax be suspended within the special district within DeKalb County for the purposes of reducing the ad valorem property tax millage rates levied by the County and municipal governments on homestead properties?”

- Yes
- No

**DeKalb County Special Purpose  
Local Option Sales Tax**  
(Vote for One)

“Shall a special 1 percent sales and use tax be imposed in the special district of DeKalb County for a period of time not to exceed 6 years and for the raising of an estimated amount of \$850 million for the purpose of: (A) **DEKALB COUNTY** projects to be funded from DeKalb County's share of the proceeds to: (1) plan, design, construct, demolish, add to, acquire, relocate, renovate, replace, repair, improve accessibility to, improve energy sustainability to, furnish, and equip projects for (a) *public safety purposes*, to include fire stations, police facilities, courts, and an animal welfare facility; (b) *transportation purposes*, to include roads and streets, road and street repaving, sidewalks, bicycle paths/lanes, multi-use trails, mass transportation, and other road, street, and bridge purposes; (c) *multi-generational recreational purposes*, to include senior facilities, parks, libraries and related recreational facilities; and (d) *capital outlay projects owned or operated by DeKalb County*, to include physical and mental health facilities, and water, sewer, and/or stormwater facilities; and (2) pay expenses incident to accomplish all of the foregoing (collectively the “DeKalb County Projects”); (B) **AVONDALE ESTATES** projects to be funded from Avondale Estates' share of the proceeds including (i) transportation, including, but not limited to, roads, streets, bridges, bicycle paths and sidewalks, and (ii) stormwater infrastructure; (C) **BROOKHAVEN** projects to be funded from Brookhaven's share of the proceeds including (i) pavement management, (ii) transportation improvements, (iii) parks capital asset maintenance, (iv) public safety equipment and fleet; and (v) to pay expenses incident to accomplish all of the

foregoing; (D) **CHAMBLEE** projects to be funded from Chamblee's share of the proceeds including: transportation improvements, including roads, streets, bridges, sidewalks, transit oriented features, bicycle and pedestrian paths, intersection improvements, streetscapes, as well as payment of expenses incident to accomplish the foregoing; parks and recreation projects, including playgrounds, site development, renovations and new equipment; and police vehicles and related equipment, as well as payment of expenses incident to accomplishing the foregoing; (E) **CLARKSTON** projects to be funded from the City of Clarkston's share of the proceeds including (i) transportation, including, but not limited to, road, street, bridges, sidewalks and bicycle paths, (ii) recreational facilities, (iii) City administrative building and (iv) public safety facilities; (F) **DECATUR** projects to be funded from the City of Decatur's share of the proceeds including (a) transportation, including, but not limited to, roads, streets, bridges, bicycle paths and sidewalks and traffic calming improvements, (b) cultural facilities, (c) recreational facilities, including, but not limited to, the acquisition of land, (d) paying all or a portion of the purchase payments due under an Agreement of Sale, dated as of December 15, 2010, between the City of Decatur and the Urban Redevelopment Agency of the City of Decatur, for the acquisition of Public Works Building B, (e) paying all or a portion of the purchase payments due under an Agreement of Sale, dated as of October 1, 2020, between the City of Decatur and the Urban Redevelopment Agency of the City of Decatur, for the acquisition of Fire Station #1, the Leveritt Public Works Building and the Decatur Recreation Center, and (f) paying all or a portion of the purchase payments due under an Agreement of Sale, dated as of May 1, 2013, as amended on October 1, 2020, between the City of Decatur and the Urban Redevelopment Agency of the City of Decatur, for the acquisition of the Beacon Municipal Complex and stormwater improvements, but not including the administrative facilities for the City Schools of Decatur; (G) **DORAVILLE** projects to be funded from the City of Doraville's share of the proceeds including: (1) 60% Pavement Management; (2) 15% Transportation Improvements; (3) 15% Parks Capital Asset and Maintenance; and (4) 10% Public Safety Facilities, Equipment, and Fleet Replacement; (H) **DUNWOODY** projects to be funded from Dunwoody's share of the proceeds including (i) transportation, including, but not limited to, infrastructure preservation (road resurfacing, replacement and rehabilitation of bridges and drainage systems), pedestrian and bicycle path improvements (addition of sidewalks, streetscapes, bike lanes, and multi-use trails), congestion relief (intersection improvements, road widenings, traffic management, and signal upgrades), safety and operational improvements (addition/extension of turn lanes, elimination of sight distance

problems and other safety concerns, as well as widened lanes and shoulders), (ii) public safety, (iii) parks, recreation and greenspace and (iv) repairs of capital projects; (I) **LITHONIA** projects to be funded from Lithonia's share of the proceeds including (a) transportation improvements such as roads, streets, bridges, bicycle paths and sidewalks; (b) infrastructure improvements; (c) capital outlay projects such as the improvement of land and structures; purchase of police cars and other major equipment; (d) facilities improvements such as recreational facilities and other government buildings; and (e) public safety purposes such as major equipment; and (f) public works purposes such as major equipment; (J) **PINE LAKE** projects to be funded from the City of Pine Lake's share of the proceeds including (a) roads, streets, bridges, bicycle paths and sidewalks and improvement of surface-water drainage from roads, streets, bridges and sidewalks, and other stormwater capital outlay projects (b) recreational facilities including, but not limited to parks, lakes, dams, trails, and acquisition of land (c) public safety facility renovations and equipment, and (d) public works facility renovations; (K) **STONECREST** projects to be funded from the City of Stonecrest's share of the proceeds including (a) transportation improvements such as roads, streets, bridges, bicycle paths, sidewalks, and resurfacing; (b) new infrastructure such as government administration buildings and recreational buildings; (c) recreational facilities improvements such as parks; and (d) property acquisition; (L) **STONE MOUNTAIN** projects to be funded from the City of Stone Mountain's share of the proceeds including: (a) roads, streets, bridges, sidewalks, and paths; (b) improvement of surface-water drainage and other stormwater capital outlay projects; and (c) recreational facilities including, but not limited to parks, and trails. These projects may include land, facilities, equipment, vehicles and other capital costs related to such projects; and (M) **TUCKER** projects to be funded from the City of Tucker's share of the proceeds including (a) road improvement and repair, (b) expansion and improvements of trails, sidewalks, and bikeways, (c) parks capital outlay, and (d) stormwater infrastructure?

If imposition of the taxes is approved by the voters, such vote shall also constitute approval of the issuance of general obligation debt of **DEKALB COUNTY, GEORGIA** in the principal amount not to exceed \$50 million for a portion of the above DeKalb County Projects, to pay capitalized interest incident thereto, and to pay expenses incident to accomplish the foregoing.

If imposition of the taxes is approved by a majority of the voters within the **CITY OF AVONDALE ESTATES**, such vote shall also constitute approval of the issuance of general obligation debt of the City of Avondale Estates in the principal amount not to exceed \$4,000,000 to pay all or a portion of any of the Avondale Estates'

projects, the costs of issuing the debt and capitalized interest.

If imposition of the taxes is approved by a majority of the voters within the **CITY OF BROOKHAVEN**, such vote shall also constitute approval of the issuance of general obligation debt of the City of Brookhaven in the principal amount not to exceed \$50,000,000 to pay all or a portion of the transportation improvements, paving management, parks capital asset maintenance, public safety equipment and fleet projects, the costs of issuing the debt and capitalized interest, and to pay expenses incident to accomplish all of the foregoing.

If imposition of the taxes is approved by a majority of the voters within the **CITY OF CLARKSTON**, such vote shall also constitute approval of the issuance of general obligation debt of the City of Clarkston in the principal amount not to exceed \$12,000,000 to pay all or a portion of any of the City of Clarkston's projects, the costs of issuing the debt and capitalized interest.

If imposition of the taxes is approved by a majority of the voters within the **CITY OF DECATUR**, such vote shall also constitute approval of the issuance of general obligation debt of the City of Decatur in the principal amount not to exceed \$10,000,000 to pay all or a portion of the transportation, cultural and recreational projects, the costs of issuing the debt and capitalized interest.

If imposition of the taxes is approved by a majority of the voters within the **CITY OF DUNWOODY**, such vote shall also constitute approval of the issuance of general obligation debt of the City of Dunwoody in the principal amount not to exceed \$36,000,000 to pay all or a portion of any of the Dunwoody projects, the costs of issuing the debt and capitalized interest.

If imposition of the taxes is approved by the voters within **LITHONIA**, Georgia, such vote shall also constitute approval of the issuance of general obligation debt of Lithonia, Georgia, in the principal amount not to exceed \$2,130,000 for a portion of Lithonia's Projects, the costs of issuing the debt and capitalized interest.

If imposition of the taxes is approved by the voters within the **CITY OF STONECREST**, such vote shall also constitute approval of the issuance of general obligation debt of the City of Stonecrest, in the principal amount not to exceed \$40,690,000 for a portion of the City of Stonecrest's Projects, the costs of issuing the debt and capitalized interest."

- Yes
- No

**Homestead Exemption for Residents 65 Years of Age or Older or Who Are Disabled**  
(Vote for One)

House Bill 591, Act No. 152

"Shall the Act be approved which increases the income cap to \$37,500.00 on the \$14,000.00 homestead exemption provided to certain residents of DeKalb County who are 65 years of age or over or who are disabled?"

- Yes
- No

**DeKalb County School District Homestead Exemption for Residents 62 Years of Age or Older or Who Are Disabled**  
(Vote for One)

House Bill 593, Act No. 153

"Shall the Act be approved which increases the income cap to \$40,000.00 on the homestead exemption from DeKalb County school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes in the amount of \$20,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that school district who are 62 years of age or older or who are disabled?"

- Yes
- No

**DeKalb County School District Homestead Exemption for Residents 65 Years of Age or Older or Who Are Disabled**  
(Vote for One)

House Bill 594, Act No. 154

"Shall the Act be approved which increases the income cap to \$37,500.00 on the \$14,000.00 homestead exemption provided to certain residents of the DeKalb County School District who are 65 years of age or over or who are disabled?"

- Yes
- No

**SPECIAL ELECTION  
CITY OF BROOKHAVEN**

**City of Brookhaven Floating Homestead Exemption**  
(Vote for One)

House Bill 729, Act No. 200

"Shall the Act be approved which modifies the City of Brookhaven floating homestead exemption from ad valorem taxation to ensure the long-term fiscal health of the city?"

- Yes
- No

**SPECIAL ELECTION  
CITY OF DECATUR**

**City of Decatur General Homestead Exemption**  
(Vote for One)

House Bill 632, Act No. 163

"Shall the Act be approved which provides a homestead exemption from City of Decatur ad valorem taxes for municipal purposes in the amount of \$40,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of the City of Decatur?"

- Yes
- No

**City of Decatur Homestead Exemption for Residents 65 Years of Age or Older**  
(Vote for One)

House Bill 633, Act No. 164

"Shall the Act be approved which provides a homestead exemption from City of Decatur ad valorem taxes for municipal purposes in the amount of \$15,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that city who are 65 years of age or older?"

- Yes
- No

**City of Decatur  
New Homestead Exemption  
(Vote for One)**

House Bill 634, Act No. 165

"Shall the Act be approved which provides a new homestead exemption from City of Decatur ad valorem taxes for municipal purposes in the amount of \$40,000.00 for each resident of the City of Decatur who holds real property subject to a written lease having an initial term of not less than 99 years with a landlord that is an entity exempt from taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the federal Internal Revenue Code and who owns all improvements located on the real property, subject to sale restrictions intended to preserve the affordability of the residence?"

- Yes
- No

**City of Decatur Homestead  
Exemption for Residents 62  
Years of Age or Older  
(Vote for One)**

House Bill 635, Act No. 166

"Shall the Act be approved which provides a homestead exemption from City of Decatur ad valorem taxes for municipal purposes in the amount of \$25,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that city who are 62 years of age or older and whose income does not exceed \$60,000.00?"

- Yes
- No

**City of Decatur Independent School  
District Homestead Exemption  
(Vote for One)**

Senate Bill 288, Act No. 128

"Shall the Act be approved which provides a homestead exemption from City of Decatur independent school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes for a period of five years in the amount of \$200,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that school district who are between 65 and 69 years of age and whose federal adjusted gross income, as well as the federal adjusted gross income of the spouse of such resident and all other members of the family who also reside at such homestead, does not exceed \$62,000.00 and which provides a homestead exemption from City of Decatur independent school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes for a period of five years in the amount of \$200,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that school district who are 70 years of age or older regardless of income?"

- Yes
- No

**SPECIAL ELECTION  
CITY OF DORAVILLE**

**Doraville Bond Referendum  
(Vote for One)**

Resolution 2023

"Shall the City of Doraville, Georgia ("City") issue general obligation bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed Ten Million and 00/100 Dollars (\$10,000,000.00) ("Bonds") for the purpose of financing: (a) the acquisition, construction, installation, improvement, and equipping of City facilities including library, arts, co-working and civic space in support and part of the Doraville City Center Redevelopment; (b) the costs of issuing the Bonds; and (c) capitalized interest on the Bonds?"

- Yes
- No

**SPECIAL ELECTION  
CITY OF DUNWOODY**

**General Obligation  
Bond Referendum  
(Vote for One)**

Resolution 2023-05-10

"Shall the City of Dunwoody, Georgia (the "City") issue general obligation bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$60,000,000 for the purpose of financing (a) the acquisition, construction, installation, improvement and equipping of (i) parks and recreational areas, (ii) greenspace and (iii) trails, (b) the costs of issuing the bonds and (c) capitalized interest on the bonds? Such approval shall also constitute an approval of the increase in the City's current millage cap of 3.04 only to the extent necessary to repay the bonds."

- Yes
- No