

Introduced by the Human Services and Finance Committees of the:

INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**RESOLUTION TO SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORATE A SPECIAL MILLAGE RENEWAL
QUESTION FOR A COUNTYWIDE SYSTEM OF TRAILS AND PARKS**

RESOLUTION # 19 - 459

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners desires to continue to fund the creation and maintenance of a system of recreational trails and adjacent parks within Ingham County; and

WHEREAS, this system may incorporate trails or parks created by local units of government, including Lansing's River Trail, and may acquire rights of way to connect and extend existing trails; and

WHEREAS, the millage funds were approved by the electorate in 2014 to create and maintain this system of recreational trails and adjacent parks within Ingham County and that millage authorization expires on December 31, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the current authorized millage adopted in 2014 is 0.5000 of one (1) mill and this current millage is needed to continue to provide for this program; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners seeks to have the voters of Ingham County determine whether or not they desire to raise funds at the same level as approved by the electorate in 2014 for a period of six (6) years to continue to support funding for the creation and maintenance of a system of recreational trails and adjacent parks within Ingham County.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the following question be submitted to a vote of the electorate of Ingham County at the election to be held on March 10, 2020.

**COUNTYWIDE SYSTEM OF TRAILS AND PARKS
MILLAGE RENEWAL QUESTION**

For the purpose of renewing funding at the same millage level previously approved by the voters in 2014 for the creation and maintenance of a countywide system of recreational trails and adjacent parks, which may incorporate trails or parks created by local units of government, including Lansing's River Trail, and may acquire rights of way to connect and extend existing trails, shall the Constitutional limitation upon the total amount of taxes which may be assessed in one (1) year upon all property within the County of Ingham, Michigan, previously increased by up to 0.5000 mills, \$0.50 per \$1,000 of taxable value, be continued and renewed for a period of six (6) years (2020-2025) inclusive? If approved and levied in full, this millage will raise an estimated \$3,841,444.00 for the system of recreational trails and adjacent parks in the first calendar year of the levy based on taxable valuation.

YES []

NO []

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this question is hereby certified to the County Clerk.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk is hereby directed to cause the proposal to be stated on the March 10, 2020 ballot and to be prepared and distributed in the manner required by law.

HUMAN SERVICES: Yeas: Tennis, Trubac, Sebolt, Morgan, Slaughter, Stivers, Naeyaert
Nays: None **Absent:** None **Approved 11/04/2019**

FINANCE: Yeas: Grebner, Tennis, Polsdofer, Schafer, Maiville, Morgan, Crenshaw
Nays: None **Absent:** None **Approved 11/06/2019**