

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF YPSILANTI  
MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 19, 2023 WORK SESSION**

Supervisor Stumbo called the meeting to order at approximately 5:00pm in the Ypsilanti Township Civic Center Board Room, 7200 S. Huron River Drive, Ypsilanti Township.

**Members Present:** Supervisor Brenda Stumbo, Clerk Heather Jarrell Roe and Treasurer Stan Eldridge  
Trustees: Ryan Hunter, John Newman II, Gloria Peterson and Debbie Swanson

**Members Absent:** None

**Legal Counsel:** Wm. Douglas Winters

**AGENDA**

**1. ELECTION UPDATE**

.....**CLERK JARRELL ROE**

Clerk Jarrell Roe gave a presentation on the updates to elections and election law that is taking effect for 2024 (see attached). Clerk Jarrell Roe spoke about precinct consolidations, new early voting options and changes to absentee voting.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**A. RESOLUTION 2023-25, ADOPTION OF THE 2024-2028 YPSILANTI  
CHARTER TOWNSHIP PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN**

After much discussion, Supervisor Stumbo stated that there were a lot of changes and questions about the master plan and that it would be ok to have the public hearing and not take action at this meeting. Supervisor Stumbo asked the board members if they were ok with this and they agreed.

Trustee Swanson stated she didn't feel comfortable approving the master plan because she had not had enough time to review it fully.

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John Hines, Municipal Director, stated that the Park Commission had approved the master plan at their November 6 meeting and forwarded the plan to the board for final approval. He added that the formal submittal of the document is due by February 1.

Trustee Swanson stated she was concerned about the lack of identified priorities for improvements in the master plan and felt the master plan doesn't focus on things that can be done in a five year span. Mr. Hines responded that he felt it was a philosophical question and the intent was not to send a message that some things were more important than others.

Supervisor Stumbo stated she thought the master plan was done well, even though it is different from the way it has been done in the past. She added that the professional consulting firm that worked on the master plan would be at the board meeting to answer questions.

**2. AGENDA REVIEW .....SUPERVISOR STUMBO**

**3. OTHER DISCUSSION.....OTHER BOARD MEMBERS**

**AGENDA REVIEW**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**1. RESOLUTION 2023-19, 2024 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET**

Supervisor Stumbo stated there have been a lot of meetings on the 2024 budget and that a public hearing had been held.

**2. REQUEST TO APPROVE ADOPTING THE ANNUAL EXEMPTION OPTION AS SET FORTH IN 2011 PUBLIC ACT 152, THE PUBLICLY FUNDED HEALTH INSURANCE CONTRIBUTION ACT**

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Supervisor Stumbo stated that municipalities who do not have a hard cap have to adopt the annual exemption to waive it. She added this is done every year and is required by the state.

**3. REQUEST TO APPROVE THE AGREEMENT WITH OHM ADVISORS FOR OVERSEEING CONSTRUCTION SERVICES FOR THE HEWITT ST. FIRE STATION INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR CEILING IMPROVEMENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,750.00 BUDGETED IN LINE ITEM #206-901-008-971**

Steve Densmore, Fire Chief, stated this work is to repair the ceiling, insulation and some windows need to be replaced.

**4. REQUEST TO APPROVE THE AGREEMENT WITH THE WASHTENAW COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT HOLMES AND PEABODY ST. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$36,321.50 BUDGETED IN LINE ITEM #101-446-982-000**

Clerk Jarrell Roe stated this was requested by a resident who lives on this road. She added that the WCRC did a study and found that a pedestrian crossing would work in this area due to the school and multifamily apartment complexes.

**5. REQUEST TO EXTEND THE TERM OF THE EXISTING METRO ACT PERMIT WITH AT&T WITH AN EXPIRATION DATE OF DECEMBER 31, 2028**

Clerk Jarrell Roe stated this is a request to extend a permit that is already in place with AT&T.

Trustee Swanson shared pictures with the board of boxes located throughout the township that are damaged. She added that she has been sending pictures of damaged boxes to the supervisor's office, who had then been contacting AT&T to get them repaired, which can take a long time.

Supervisor Stumbo stated this is a state or federal act that oversees these permits and these concerns can be communicated to our state and federal elected representatives. She also suggested requesting that the road commission notify the

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township when a permit for the road right of way is pulled by AT&T so residents can be notified where AT&T are expanding.

Attorney Winters stated the companies do have a duty to maintain the right of way and that he thinks a complaint should be filed with the Public Service Commission.

Discussion continued on the permit and issues with the boxes.

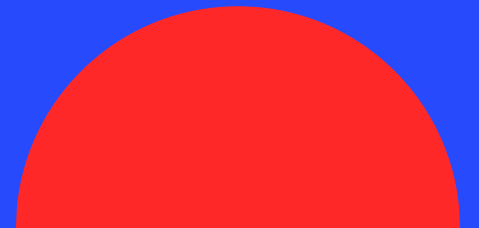
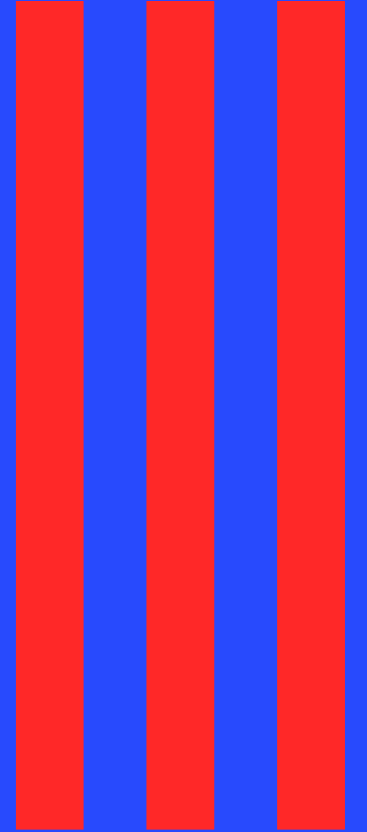
**The Work Session meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:53 PM.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**



**Heather Jarrell Roe, Clerk  
Charter Township of Ypsilanti**

# **ELECTION UPDATE**



# MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW CHANGES



Public Act 2 of 2023/Senate Bill 13  
(presidential primary)

Moves presidential primary to February 27



Public Act 25 of 2023/Senate Bill 259

(6-day grace period for return of UOCAVA  
ballots)



Public Act 81 of 2023/Senate Bill 367

(early voting)



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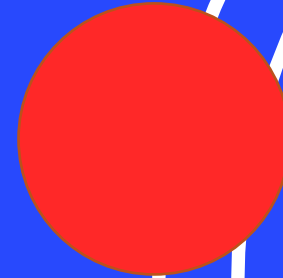
Public Act 82 of 2023/Senate Bill 370  
(pre-paid postage/signature cure)



Public Act 83 of 2023/House Bill 4696  
(prohibits disclosure of results before 8pm)



Public Act 84 of 2023/Senate Bill 339  
(AV bill tracking)



# MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW CHANGES



Public Act 85 of 2023/House Bill 4697  
(drop boxes)



Public Act 86 of 2023/House Bill 4699  
(permanent mail voter list)



Public Act 87 of 2023/Senate Bill 373  
(election ID)

Adds to the list of forms of identification for election purposes a current photo ID card issued by a local government. Expands the list of school IDs that can be used as election ID to include professional, technical, vocational school, etc.



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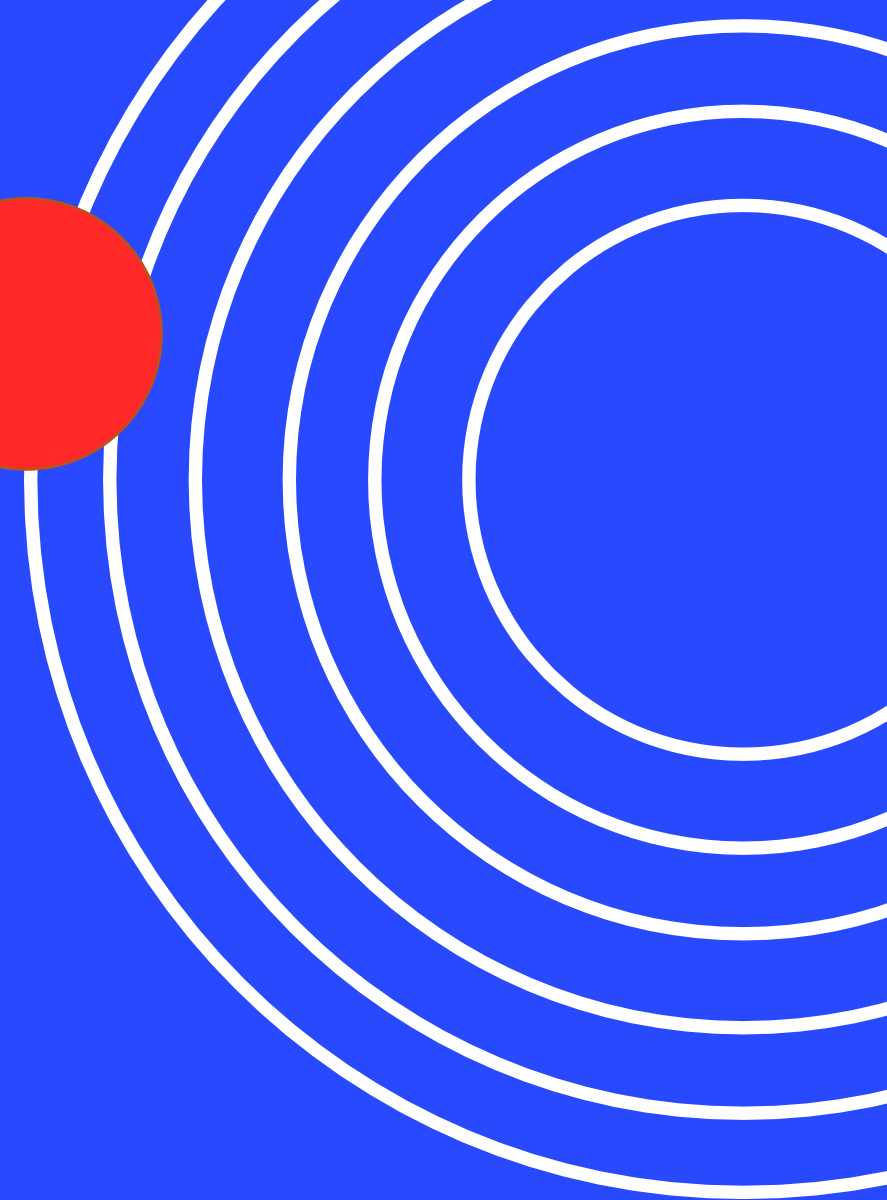
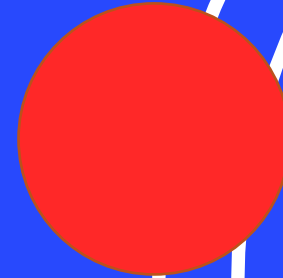
Public Act 88 of 2023/House Bill 4702 (precinct size)  
Public Acts 226 and 227 of 2023/Senate Bills 572  
and 573 (precinct size)



Public Act 86 of 2023/House Bill 4699  
(permanent mail voter list)



Public Act 184 of 2023/House Bill 4567  
(challenged ballots)



# MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW CHANGES

- ✓ Public Act 185 of 2023/House Bill 4568 (rides to polls) 2/13/24 Strikes the prohibition on individuals hiring transportation to polling locations
- ✓ Public Act 193 of 2023/Senate Bill 470 (electronic return of military ballots by 9/2025)
- ✓ Public Acts 241 and 242 of 2023/Senate Bill 382 and 4720 (Requires agencies to take reasonable steps to provide meaningful language access to those with limited English proficiency.)



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Public Act 244 of 2023/House Bill 4234  
(returning the law to allow payroll deductions  
for PAC contributions)

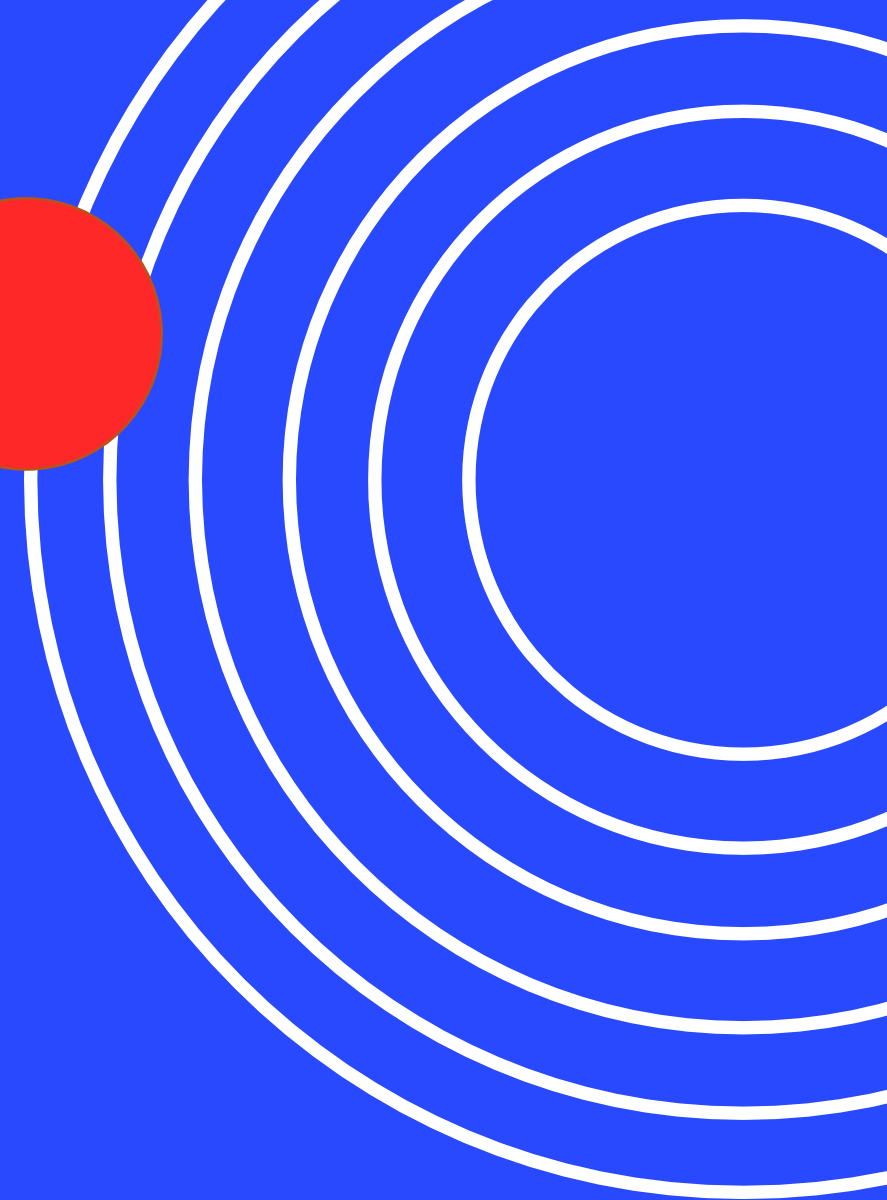
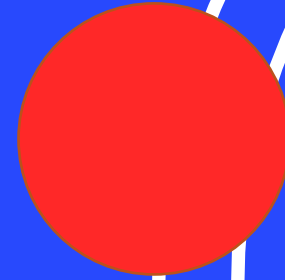


Public Act 251 of 2023/Senate Bill 385  
(election inspector apps)

Allows clerks to accept election inspector  
applications through an online.



Public Acts 252 and 253 of 2023/ House Bill  
4129 & SB 505 (election worker protections)



# MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW CHANGES



Public Act 254 of 2023/Senate Bill 570 (clerk participation in audits)

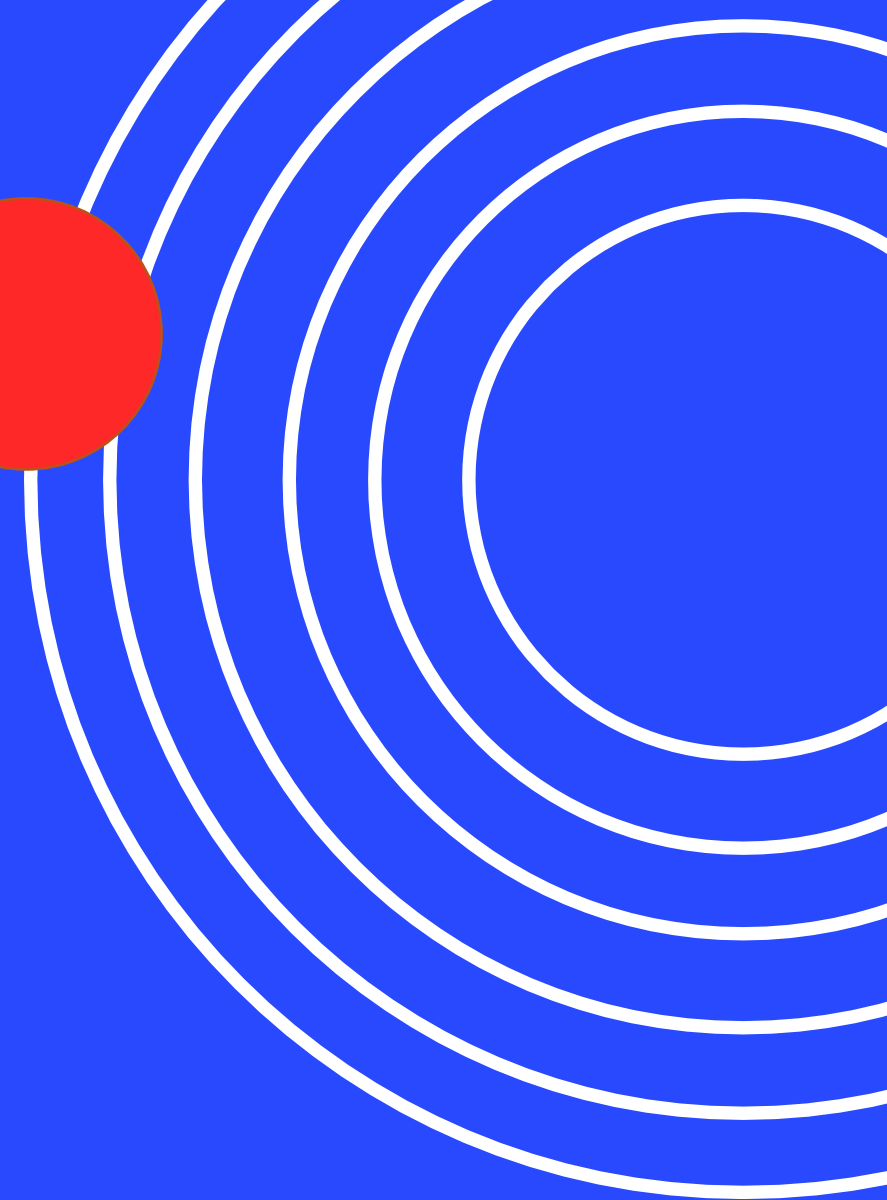
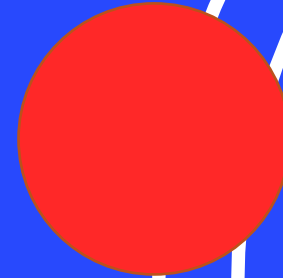
Removes contradictory language, relevant for county clerks



Public Acts 255 and 256 of 2023/Senate Bills 590 and 591 (election contests) 2/13/24 Allows a candidate for President or Vice President to seek judicial review of certification by state supreme court.



Public Act 257 of 2023/Senate Bill 594 (updates details required for online voter registration)



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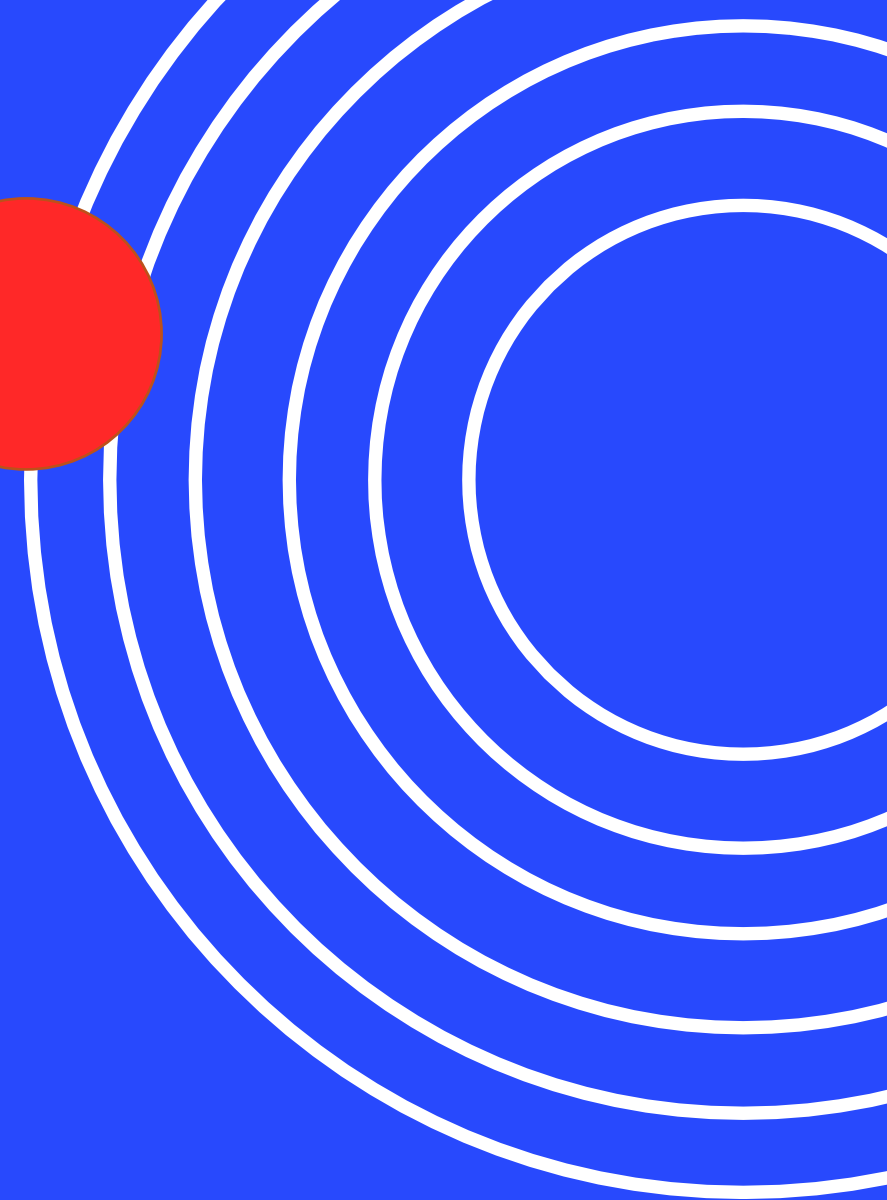
Public Act 258 of 2023/House Bill 4569  
(preregistration for 16yos)



Public Act 259 of 2023/House Bill 4695  
(Prop 2 cleanup)



Public Act 260-262, 268 of 2023/House Bills  
4983-4986 (automatic voter registration)  
Expands automatic voter registration to be  
effective in 2025



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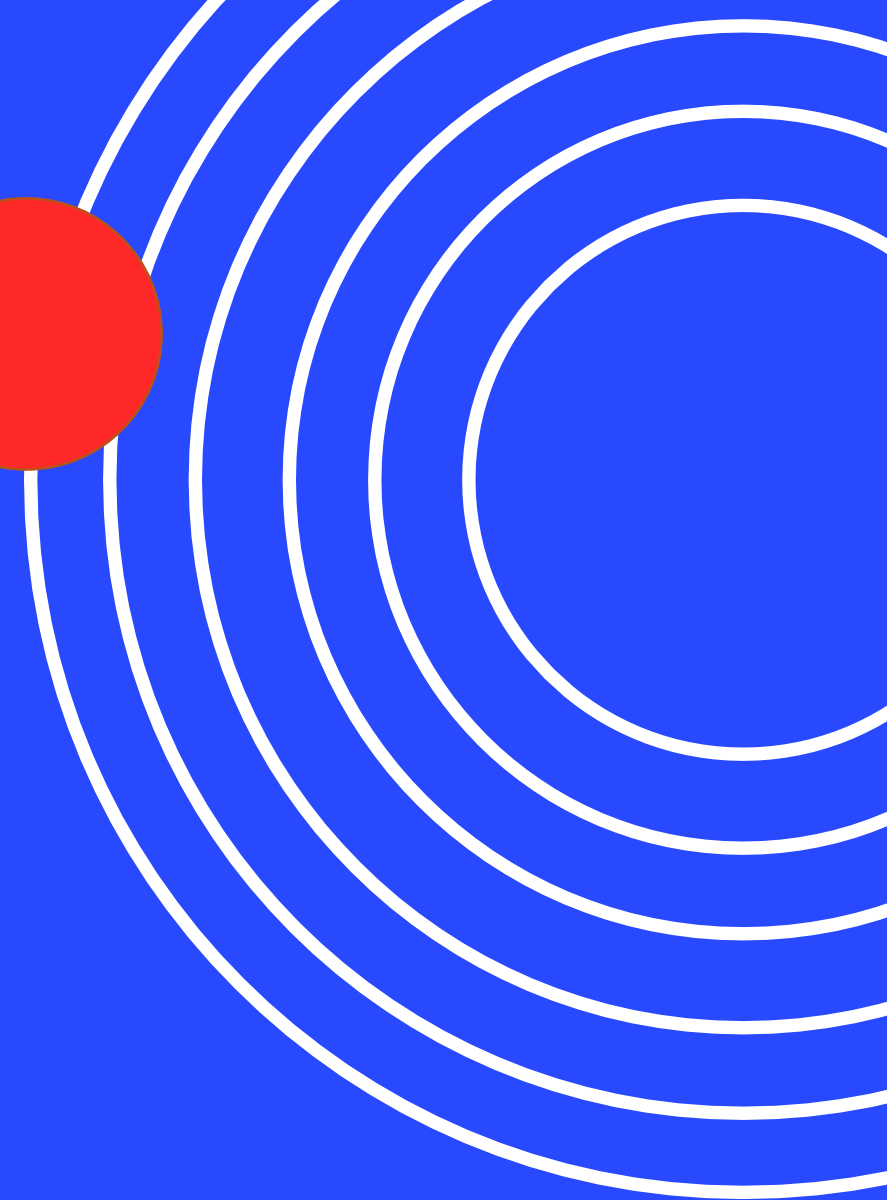
Public Act 263-266 of 2023/House Bills 5141, 5143-5145 (disclosure for AI and materially deceptive media)



Public Act 269/Senate Bill 529 (electoral count reform act) 2/13/24 Aligns the Michigan Election Law with the new federal law for certifying elections.



Public Act 270 of 2023/House Bill 4570  
(AV app via portal)



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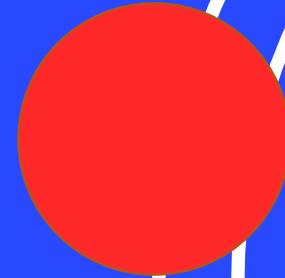
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Public Acts 281-284 and 267 of 2023/Senate Bills 613-616 and Senate Bill 374

(Prop 1/personal financial disclosure legislation)



# YPSILANTI TOWNSHIP CHANGES

## Early Voting

Ypsilanti Township will open two early vote sites in 2024. They will be open for 9 consecutive days prior to election day.

## Drop Boxes

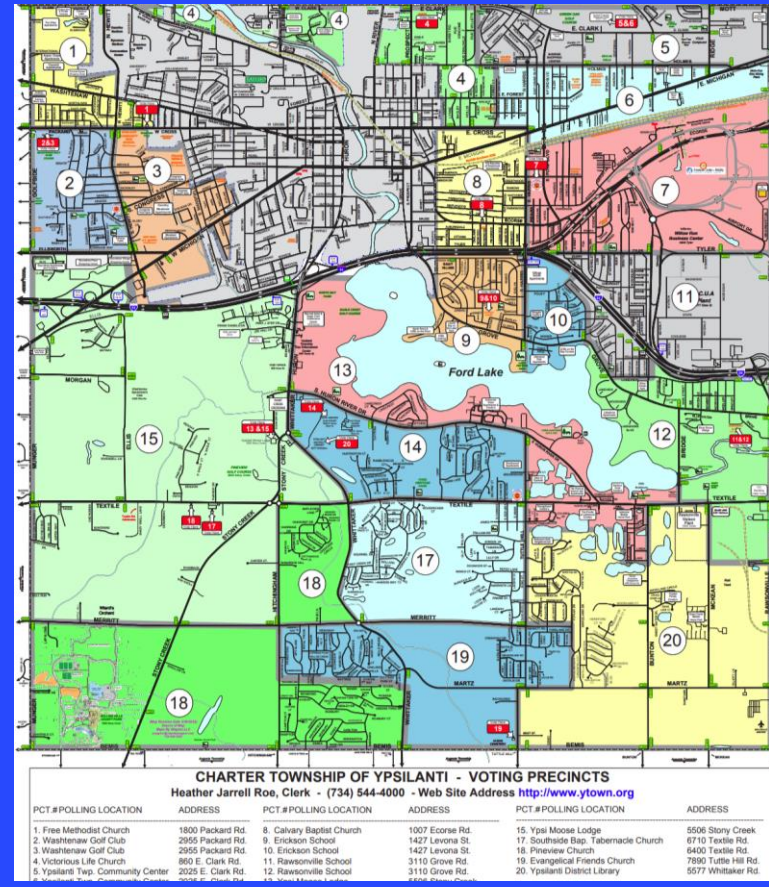
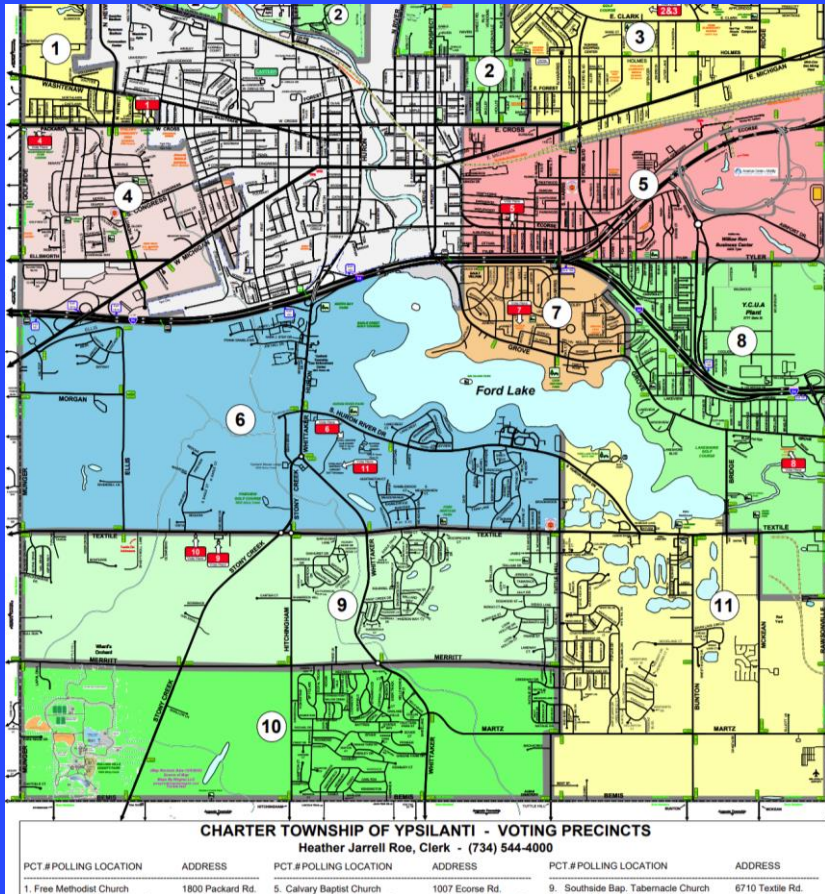
Ypsilanti Township now has four election drop boxes in place.

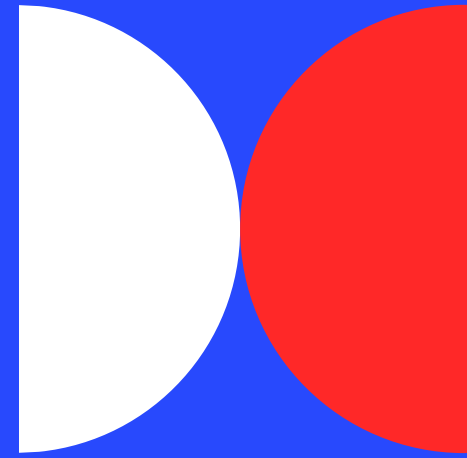
- Community Center
- Ford Blvd Fire Station
- Hewitt Rd Fire Station
- Civic Center

## Precinct Changes

Ypsilanti Township previously had 19 precincts at 14 different locations. Now, there are 11 precincts at 10 locations.

# PRECINCT CHANGES





**Questions?**

