

VOTER GUIDE – AUGUST PRIMARY ELECTION
TOWNSHIP OF SOUTHFIELD

Tuesday, August 4, 2020
POLLS ARE OPEN 7:00 A.M. – 8:00 P.M.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OAKLAND AREA

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You may VOTE in ONLY ONE PARTY'S PRIMARY - either Democratic or Republican – for ALL partisan offices on ballot.
Note: Candidates are ordered within each office by party with Democrats preceding Republicans.

2 Candidates for TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR for ONE 4-year term

CANDIDATES for SUPERVISOR ONE 4-year term <i>Vote for no more than ONE</i>	Question 1 (150 Words or less): Provide biographical information and explain why you are running for Township office and relevant qualities and skills you would bring to the position.	Question 2 (150 Words or less): What are the top 3 Priority Issues facing your township and what actions would you, as a township official, take regarding each of them?
<p><i>Democrat</i> JAMES M. O'REILLY 31191 Huntley Ct. Beverly Hills, MI 48025</p>	<p>I seek the position of Supervisor for Southfield Township as a continuation of my years of service in this community. I have been serving on the Township Board of Trustees since 2016 and on the Township Zoning Board of Appeals since 2013. I served on the Beverly Hills Parks and Recreation Board for 13 years and on the Beverly Hills Little League Board for 8 years. I sat on the Community Advisory Board for Birmingham Public Schools to oversee and implement the school bond proposal for Birmingham schools, and was involved in the successful effort in Beverly Hills to pass a limited millage proposal for Beverly Park renovation and improvement. I am an attorney in active practice for over 40 years. My wife and I have lived in and been actively involved in Beverly Hills and Southfield Township for 43 years, raising 4 sons.</p>	<p>The fiscal stability of the Township must be maintained. Our Township has consistently operated with a balanced budget, but will face challenges because of reduced revenue sharing from the State, due in part to the pandemic. Our Township has not sought a millage increase since 2008 and should extend this kind of discipline, while continuing to maintain the services that we provide. 2. Address the proposed changes to the 13 Mile/Southfield Road intersection. There is an ongoing study to make changes to this intersection to meet growing traffic activity. We need to keep in mind that any solution must make safety of pedestrians of paramount concern, and that it does not adversely impact the businesses and their parking requirements. 3. Review and update our existing "emergency" plans. The current pandemic has made emergency planning of concern to most of our citizens. The Township has an existing protocol that addresses certain community disaster responses, but a thorough review of those plans and additional measures to meet future crises should be undertaken to keep us safe.</p>
<p><i>Republican</i> JOHN CLARK 31265 Sleepy Hollow Ln. Beverly Hills, MI 48025</p>	<p>DID NOT RESPOND IN TIME FOR INCLUSION</p>	

SOUTHFIELD TOWNSHIP PRIMARY (Continued)

1 Candidate for TOWNSHIP CLERK for ONE 4-year term

SHARON TISCHLER 21415 Virmar Ct., Beverly Hills, MI 48025

1 Candidate for TREASURER for ONE 4-year term

JANET MOONEY 19111 Devonshire St., Beverly Hills, MI 48025

3 Candidates for TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE for FOUR 4-year terms

BONNIE COOK 26550 Scenic Dr., Franklin, MI 48025

DAN NELSON 32311 Sheridan, Beverly Hills, MI 48025

JON M. OEN 32061 Verona Cir., Beverly Hills, MI 48025

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