



What You Need to Know

- Proposition #1 or the Infrastructure and Maintenance Millage will **create a dedicated fund** that allows the City to maintain and upgrade infrastructure projects in all districts across the city.
- When combined with the other millages on the December ballot, **this measure would reduce taxpayers' property tax bill in 2021**
 - The Infrastructure & Maintenance Millage is a part of redistribution of current tax revenue **so it will not raise taxes**
 - Additionally, due to the City's strong fiscal management, the Board of Liquidation plans to reduce the City's overall millage rate this fall, which is used to pay the City's debt
- The 2 existing millages that this new millage will replace are:
 - Street and Traffic Control Devices
 - 2020 millage rate of 1.77 mills (Est. \$7.5M)
 - Capital Improvements and Infrastructure
 - 2020 millage rate of 0.56 mills (Est. \$2.3M)

The Need for Dedicated Funding

- This will bring an estimated **\$10.5M** in its first year, and over the 20-year lifespan of the millage, will represent an estimated **\$210M investment in infrastructure and maintenance**
- The City has **never** had a dedicated source of funds to pay for needed maintenance or to purchase items with a less than 10-year lifespan. Since 2005, Hurricane Katrina, the City has spent **\$1.5B** in new infrastructure, all without a dedicated long-term maintenance fund.

Funding for Infrastructure & Maintenance

- Provide dedicated funding for the maintenance **and repair of existing roads, streets, bridges, drainage systems, and facilities** – as well as to purchase and maintain items with a life span of less than 10 years, such as vehicles, computers, and software
 - Bonds may only be used to purchase items with a life span of longer than 10 years
 - This millage will be used to **maintain and repair this infrastructure**
 - These needs **cannot be supported through the Capital budget**
- Flexibility in the proposed language is key – it allows the City to continue to spend these funds as infrastructure and technology needs change **over the next 20 years**
- The estimated **\$210M in revenue** generated from the 20-year lifespan of this millage will be used to:
 - FINALLY create a dedicated fund for maintenance of infrastructure projects in the City.
 - Ensure our public facilities such as Community Centers, NORD Facilities, Police Stations, Fire Stations, and Senior Centers are updated and maintained for resident use.

What you can do?

- Make a plan to vote early! Early voting is available from Nov. 20-28 from 8:30 a.m.- 6 p.m. Or go to the polls on election day — December 5th!
- Visit nola.gov/mayor/2021-millage-rededication to learn more.