

# KETCHIKAN GATEWAY BOROUGH

## Propositions

PROPOSITION	ELECTION DATE	YES VOTES	NO VOTES	RESULT
Adoption of Areawide Airport Powers to Establish, Operate, and Control Airports as Provided in AS 29.60	4/28/1966	728	520	PASSED
Shall the Gateway Borough sales tax be increased from 1% to 1.5%?	06/06/1967	372	285	PASSED
Delegation of Power for Water Supply and Distribution System to Shoreline Service Area	02/27/1968	63	48	PASSED
Delegation of Power to Provide Fire Department and Fire Protection Services in the Shoreline Service Area	02/27/1968	73	38	PASSED
\$2,365,000 General Obligation Bonds -Addition to Ketchikan High School, including additional academic and vocational teaching stations and a swimming pool, reconstructing the existing structure and related facilities	11/18/1969	893	868	PASSED
\$1,910,000 General Obligation Bonds -Construction of a elementary school and related facilities to replace Main School	11/18/1969	1,052	703	PASSED
\$725,000 General Obligation Bonds -Constructing and equipping an addition at and reconstructing and equipping Schoenbar Junior High School -Constructing and equipping of additional facilities at and reconstructing Houghtaling Elementary School -Reconstructing and equipping White Cliff Elementary School	11/18/1969	953	796	PASSED
Adoption of a manager form of government	01/06/1970	300	415	FAILED
Establish Rotary Beach Water Service Area	05/12/1970	30	108	FAILED
Establish Rotary Beach Fire Service Area	05/12/1970	27	111	FAILED
Establish Mountain Point Fire Protection Service Area	10/06/1970	20	102	FAILED
\$2,990,000 General Obligation Bonds -construct terminal building at airport	02/29/1972	1,422	1,225	PASSED

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-construct a fire and rescue building at airport -construct a ferry landing at airport -acquisition and re-fitting of a ferry -acquisition of equipment at airport				
Unification proposition	10/02/1973	1,011 [inside city] 287 [outside city]	286 [inside city] 437 [outside city]	FAILED
Adoption of a manager form of government	02/19/1974	767	740	PASSED
Adoption of areawide recreation powers	10/01/1974	893 [inside city] 289 [outside city]	350 [inside city] 308 [outside city]	FAILED
Adoption of areawide transportation powers	10/07/1975	507 [inside city] 207 [outside city]	1,011 [inside city] 479 [outside city]	FAILED
Adoption of areawide recreation powers	10/07/1975	992 [inside city] 320 [outside city]	515 [inside city] 366 [outside city]	FAILED
Exempting officials from filing conflict of interest statements	10/07/1975	1,025	1,150	FAILED
Exempting officials from campaign financing reporting	10/07/1975	955	1,199	FAILED
Adoption of areawide fireworks regulatory powers	10/05/1976	719 [inside city] 249 [outside city]	544 [inside city] 313 [outside city]	FAILED
Adoption of areawide building code regulatory powers	10/03/1978	694 [inside city] 171 [outside city]	769 [inside city] 657 [outside city]	FAILED
Exempting officials from filing conflict of interest statements	10/03/1978	276	539	FAILED
Formation of a charter commission	10/02/1979	973 [inside city] 203 [outside city]	788 [inside city] 741 [outside city]	FAILED
Providing the Borough Assembly be composed of seven members, elected at large	10/07/1980	959 [inside city] 561 [outside city]	335 [inside city] 259 [outside city]	PASSED
Repeal of Title 27 of the KGB Code prohibiting the sale and possession of fireworks in the area of the Borough outside the City of Ketchikan	10/07/1980	839	1,338	FAILED
Retain the present form of Assembly representation (at-	10/06/1981	2,096	315	PASSED

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Adoption of non-areawide power to regulate or prohibit the sale or possession of drug paraphernalia in the area of the Borough outside cities	02/09/1982	280	209	PASSED
Establish Mountain Point Sewer Service Area	12/07/1982	42	47	FAILED
Establish Mountain Point Sewer Service Area	05/03/1983	50	74	FAILED
Adoption of non-areawide power to provide library services in the area of the borough outside cities	10/01/1985	475	217	PASSED
Formation of charter commission for a home rule unified government	10/07/1986	1,205 [inside city] 432 [outside city]	535 [inside city] 765 [outside city]	FAILED
Adoption of non-areawide power for construction, maintenance, operation and regulation of the supply and distribution of water and the collection, treatment and disposal of sewer and other septic waste in the area of the borough outside cities	10/07/1986	436	740	FAILED
Nuclear free zone	10/07/1986	1,355	1,602	ADVISORY
Establish the Forest Park Service Area	07/19/1988	60	4	PASSED
Adoption of areawide power to regulate hours of operation of licensed premises dispensing alcohol	10/04/1988	1,121 [inside city] 517 [outside city]	876 [inside city] 405 [outside city]	PASSED
Establish the Gold Nugget Service Area	10/04/1988	10	1	PASSED
<i>Initiative</i> -establish the hours of operation of licensed premises dispensing alcoholic beverages as 8:05 a.m. until 5:00 a.m. of the following day	06/27/1989	1,151	1,608	FAILED
\$12,000,000 General Obligation Bonds -capital improvements to Ketchikan High School	10/03/1989	1,583	1,202	PASSED
Amend comprehensive plan to accommodate U.S. Navy use of a portion of the Clover Pass Scenic Area for acoustic testing of submarines	04/10/1990	2,071	1,233	ADVISORY
Approve Transient Occupancy Tax of 4%	10/02/1990	2,000	1,260	PASSED

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Adoption of areawide recreation powers	10/02/1990	1,376 [inside city] 735 [outside city]	790 [inside city] 470 [outside city]	PASSED
Adoption of areawide economic development powers	10/02/1990	1,237 [inside city] 627 [outside city]	884 [inside city] 567 [outside city]	PASSED
Adoption of non-areawide sewer powers	10/01/1991	456	594	FAILED
Establish the Shoup Street Service Area	10/01/1991	47	12	PASSED
Increase sales tax to 2% and establish a Borough Sales Tax Recreation Capital Projects Fund	10/06/1992	1,923	1,512	PASSED
<i>Initiative</i> -Establish term limits (2 consecutive terms) for borough mayor and members of the Assembly	10/05/1993	2,280	870	PASSED
<i>Initiative</i> -Establish term limits (2 consecutive terms) for school board members	10/05/1993	2,212	932	ADVISORY
\$7,500,000 General Obligation Bonds -construction and equipping an indoor recreation center	10/04/1994	1,868	1,589	PASSED
Transfer airport and airport ferries to state	10/04/1994	1,388	2,032	ADVISORY
\$10,247,332 General Obligation Bonds -the design, rehabilitation and equipping of Schoenbar Junior High School, Houghtaling Elementary School and Valley Park Elementary School	10/07/1997	1,955	1,263	PASSED
\$9,615,482 General Obligation Bonds -the design and construction of a replacement for White Cliff Elementary School	10/07/1997	1,942	1,566	PASSED
Adoption of non-areawide water powers	10/05/1999	587	929	FAILED
Motor fuel tax of \$.05 per gallon on wholesale sales of motor fuel to fund the transit system	10/05/1999	767	2,910	FAILED
Expansion of transit services to the area north and south of the City of Ketchikan	10/05/1999	1,564	2,138	ADVISORY
Adoption of road powers for the Shoreline Service Area	12/14/1999	109	9	PASSED

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Adoption of general property security services for the Shoreline Service Area	12/14/1999	108	9	PASSED
Adoption of support of "The Ketchikan General Hospital and other public works" capital projects for the Shoreline Service Area	12/14/1999	107	10	PASSED
Adoption of a 2.5% fire, roads and security sales tax for the Shoreline Service Area	12/14/1999	109	6	PASSED
Adoption of a 1% hospital and other public works sales tax for the Shoreline Service Area	12/14/1999	109	6	PASSED
\$454,000 General Obligation Bonds -the Schoenbar Middle School major repair and renovation project	10/03/2000	2,167	761	PASSED
<i>Initiative</i> – Marine Ship Passenger Fee of \$5	03/27/2001	1,225	2,165	FAILED
Creation of a Ketchikan Gateway Port Authority	10/02/2001	1,253	1,369	FAILED
Retain term limits for the borough mayor and assembly	10/01/2002	3,123	752	PASSED
\$9,000,000 General Obligation Bonds -the Schoenbar Middle School renovation and upgrades	10/01/2002	2,840	997	PASSED
<i>Initiative</i> -Resolution prohibiting the use of real property owned by the Ketchikan Gateway Borough as of May 31,2000, or thereafter for construction of a bridge across the Tongass Narrows	10/01/2002	1,336	2,589	FAILED
Establish North Tongass Fire and EMS Service Area	03/11/2003	428	51	PASSED
Establish South Tongass Water Service Area	05/13/2003	162	106	PASSED
Increase general sales tax by .5% and institute a five-year temporary sales tax of 1%	10/07/2003	599	2,680	FAILED
\$8,000,000 General Obligation Bonds -construct and equip a new pool facility and acquiring or constructing and equipping a general government office facility	10/07/2003	932	2,354	FAILED

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<i>Initiative</i> -Formation of a charter commission for consolidation	10/07/2003	1,796	1,498	PASSED
Establish South Tongass Emergency Medical Services Service Area	05/11/2004	118	35	PASSED
Increase general sales tax by ½% dedicated to bondable school capital projects and insurance on school buildings and facilities	06/08/2004	1,102	711	PASSED
\$4,000,000 General Obligation Bonds -Schoenbar Middle School	10/05/2004	1,624	1,031	PASSED
\$3,900,000 General Obligation Bonds -Fawn Mountain Elementary School	10/05/2004	1,427	1,229	PASSED
\$1,100,000 General Obligation Bonds -capital improvements to school facilities	10/04/2005	1,785	1,082	PASSED
Shall the provisions of Ordinance No. 1403, which establishes an increase in the Borough sales tax by 1/2% and designates the proceeds from the additional ½% to redevelopment of the White Cliff building, operating costs of the White Cliff Building and future public capital improvements be ratified?	10/03/2006	1,155	2,343	FAILED
\$12,000,000 General Obligation Bonds -Renovation of White Cliff School	10/03/2006	1,206	2,286	FAILED
<i>Initiative</i> - Shall a new section be added to the Ketchikan Gateway Borough Code of Ordinances establishing land use density limitations for jewelry stores?"	10/02/2007	1,093	1,888	FAILED
Shall Ordinance 1496 authorizing the acquisition of the South Point Higgins Beach funded through the sale of Borough lands and authorizing issuance of notes or other debt instruments in connection with	10/07/2008	2,027	835	PASSED

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the acquisition in an amount not to exceed \$1,170,000.00 be approved?				
Shall the rate of the transient occupancy tax levied by the Ketchikan Gateway Borough be increased from 4% to 7% as provided in Ordinance 1526?	10/06/2009	1,149	1,305	FAILED
Shall Ketchikan Gateway Borough incur debt and issue general obligation bonds (payable also from sales and use tax revenues) in the principal amount of not to exceed \$23,500,000, maturing within a maximum of 30 years, to finance the acquisition, construction and equipping of a new community aquatic center to replace the Mike Smithers pool, and shall Ordinance No. 1528 of the Borough authorizing the issuance of the bonds for this capital project be approved?	10/06/2009	1,536	983	PASSED
Exempting municipal officers and candidates for elective office of the Ketchikan Gateway Borough be from requirements of the State of Alaska Public Official Financial Disclosure Law (Alaska Statutes 39.50) and instead be required to disclose as provided for in the Public Official Financial Disclosure Law adopted by the Ketchikan Gateway Borough Assembly in Ordinance No 1563?	10/5/2010	1066	1338	FAILED
Shall Ketchikan Gateway Borough incur debt and issue general obligation bonds in the principal amount of not to exceed \$3,400,000, maturing within a maximum of 20 years, to pay costs of replacing the roof at Ketchikan High School, and shall Ordinance No. 1570 of the Borough authorizing the issuance of the bonds for this capital project be approved?	10/5/2010	1734	719	PASSED
<i>Advisory Vote for North Tongass One and North Tongass Two</i>	10/5/2010	177	499	FAILED

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<i>precincts:</i> Should the North Tongass Fire & EMS Service Area pursue acquisition of the property located at 10540 North Tongass Highway for a fire station?				
Shall the present form of assembly representation whereby all members of the assembly are elected at-large by the qualified voters of the borough be retained?	10/4/2011	1849	232	PASSED
\$5,500,000 General Obligation Bonds: Improvements and upgrades in Ketchikan High School, Revilla Junior/Senior High School, Schoenbar Middle School, Houghtaling Elementary School, Fawn Mountain Elementary School, and Point Higgins Elementary School, District-wide capital maintenance projects and other capital improvements, as described in Ordinance 1634	10/2/2012	968	479	PASSED
<i>Proposition Voted Upon by Qualified Voters of the Saxman Voting Precinct:</i> Establishing the Saxman-South Tongass Fire and EMS Service Area to exercise the powers of fire protection and emergency medical services, including all powers necessary or incidental to providing those services as provided in Ordinance 1678-Substitute <i>*Ordinance No. 1678 was contingent on the passage of both the South Tongass Service Area ballot measure and the Saxman precinct ballot measure.</i>	10/1/2013	38	53	FAILED*
<i>Proposition Voted Upon by Qualified Voters of the South Tongass Service Area:</i> Establishing the Saxman-South Tongass Fire and EMS Service Area and amend the existing South Tongass Service Area to become the South Tongass Water Service Area as provided in Ordinance 1678-Substitute <i>*Ordinance No. 1678 was contingent on the passage of both the South Tongass Service Area ballot measure and the Saxman precinct ballot</i>	10/1/2013	185	124	PASSED at STSA Poll*  Measure FAILED

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measure.				
<i>Proposition Voted Upon by Qualified Voters of the Forest Park Service Area:</i> Amending the boundaries of the Forest Park Service Area to include the seven parcels as approved by the Assembly in Ordinance 1731	10/7/2014	50	15	PASSED
Establishing an excise tax on cigarettes and other tobacco products	10-4-2016	1,400	1,327	PASSED
Extending the general sales tax of one half of one percent (1/2%), dedicated to bondable school capital projects and insurance on school buildings and facilities to January 1, 2027	10-4-2016	1,803	913	PASSED
Establishing a 5 percent special sales tax on marijuana and marijuana products areawide within the Ketchikan Gateway Borough	10-3-2017	1,474	667	PASSED
Extension of Tobacco Product Excise Tax	10-1-2019	2,163	754	PASSED
Formation of Old Dairy Road Service Area	10-1-2019	4	1	PASSED
Extension of Five Percent (5%) Marijuana and Marijuana Products Sales Tax	10-5-2021	1,911	454	PASSED
\$6,655,000 General Obligation Bonds for Recreation Facility Capital Improvements – Norman Walker Field, Upper and Lower Dudley Field, Houghtaling Elementary Field, and other recreation facilities.	10-5-2021	1,870	515	PASSED
Retention of the present form of assembly representation whereby all members of the assembly are elected at-large by the qualified voters of the Borough.	10-4-2022	3,100	450	PASSED
<i>Proposition voted on by the nonareawide voters of the Borough (outside cities).</i> Shall the Ketchikan Gateway Borough’s adoption of nonareawide library powers be repealed, as proposed in Resolution 2956-CI?	10-4-22	818	1,066	FAILED

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Extending the general sales tax of one half of one percent (1/2%), dedicated to bondable school capital projects and insurance on school buildings and facilities to January 1, 2032	10-7-2025	1,731	530	PASSED
Shall Judy Leask Guthrie be recalled from the office of School Board Member?	11-18-2025	451	791	FAILED
Shall Jordan Tabb be recalled from the office of School Board Member?	11-18-2025	417	821	FAILED
Shall Katherine Tatsuda be recalled from the office of School Board Member?	11-18-2025	453	792	FAILED