

Resolution opposing Bartlesville Ballot Propositions (Bonds) per OKGOP Platform

As Amended below - passed February 2, 2026 by Washington County Committee
on a 20 to 5 vote/sc

Whereas, our Oklahoma GOP platform makes crystal clear statements on the Bartlesville ballot propositions as it states in three places the following:

(1) We oppose the use of sales tax and use tax revenue bonds for advance local capital improvements. City and county improvements should be authorized only on a pay-as-you-go basis, and should not incur new taxes or bonds. p 15 under Government - Taxation - We Oppose #2

(2) We believe in transparent and honest government in the Oklahoma Legislature, all legislative committees, and in state and county agencies. p30 under State Agencies, State, County, and Local Government - We Believe #1

(3) We believe that Oklahoma's efforts to attract industry should be grounded upon the establishment of a favorable and friendly "economic climate" rather than upon tax and other governmental subsidies to individual businesses. p 16 under Government - Economic Development - We Believe #2

Therefore, we the County Committee of the Washington County GOP instruct the Washington County chairman to issue a press release and email(s) in opposition to the Bartlesville ballot propositions (bonds) in the February 10, 2026 election clearly stating, "If you want to reduce your local taxes, you must say NO to the Bartlesville ballot propositions."

Signed  / Date 2 Feb 2026
WCGOP Chairman

Link to sample ballot for reference:

<https://www.cityofbartlesville.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/01/City-of-Bartlesville-Sample-Ballot-2.10.26.pdf>