



# 2017 Cleveland mayoral election

The **2017 Cleveland mayoral election** took place on November 7, 2017, to elect the Mayor of Cleveland, Ohio. The election was officially nonpartisan, with the top two candidates from the September 12 primary election advancing to the general election, regardless of party. Incumbent Democratic Mayor Frank G. Jackson won reelection to a fourth term.

## Primary election

### Candidates

#### On ballot

- Eric J. Brewer, former Mayor of East Cleveland<sup>[1][2][3]</sup> (Democrat)
- Brandon Chrostowski, CEO of Edwins Leadership and Restaurant Institute (<http://edwinsrestaurant.org/>)<sup>[4][5][6][3]</sup>
- Frank G. Jackson, incumbent Mayor of Cleveland<sup>[7][8]</sup> (Democrat)
- Jeff Johnson, Cleveland City Council member and former state Senator<sup>[9][10][3]</sup> (Democrat)
- Robert M. Kilo, Former State Director of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, former Director of Advocacy/Government and Community Relations for Friends of Breakthrough Schools<sup>[11][3][12]</sup> (Republican)
- Tony Madalone, CEO of Fresh Brewed Tees (<https://freshbrewedtees.com/>)<sup>[13][3]</sup> (Republican)
- Bill Patmon, State Representative and former Cleveland City Council member<sup>[14][3]</sup> (Democrat)
- Zack Reed, Cleveland City Council member<sup>[15][16]</sup> (Democrat)
- Dyrone W. Smith<sup>[14][3]</sup>

#### Write-in candidates

- James Jerome Bell<sup>[6][3]</sup>
- Camry S. Kincaid<sup>[6][3]</sup>

#### Disqualified

- Brian S. Costa<sup>[6][3]</sup>
- Kevin Cronin<sup>[3]</sup>
- Angela Y. Davis<sup>[6][3]</sup>
- Barbara A. DeBerry<sup>[6][3]</sup>
- Laverne Jones-Gore, perennial candidate<sup>[17]</sup>
- Marcus Henley<sup>[3]</sup>
- Velimir Lucic, local business owner
- Robert Owens<sup>[6][3]</sup>
- Ricky L. Pittman, perennial candidate<sup>[6][3]</sup>
- Renee Saunders<sup>[6][3]</sup>
- Landry M. Simmons, Jr.<sup>[6][3]</sup>
- Flint J. Williams, Jr.<sup>[6][3]</sup>

#### Withdrew

- Brahim Ayad<sup>[3]</sup>
- Ja'Ovmoni Garrison<sup>[6][3][18]</sup>

#### Declined

- Dennis Kucinich, former U.S. Representative and former Mayor of Cleveland<sup>[19]</sup>

### Endorsements

**Frank Jackson**

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**U.S. Representatives**

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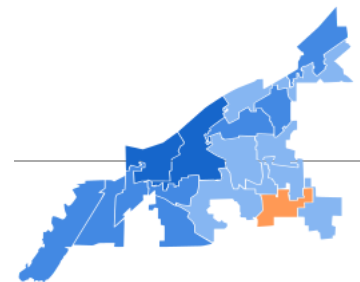


November 7, 2017

Turnout 23.93%



<b>Candidate</b>	<b><u>Frank G. Jackson</u></b>	Zack Reed
<b>Party</b>	<u>Nonpartisan</u>	<u>Nonpartisan</u>
<b>Popular vote</b>	<b>35,506</b>	24,116
<b>Percentage</b>	<b>59.55%</b>	40.45%



Results by city council district

**Jackson:** 50–60% 60–70% 70–80%  
**Reed:** 50–60%

<b>Mayor before election</b>	<b>Elected Mayor</b>
<u>Frank G. Jackson</u> <u>Democratic</u>	<u>Frank G. Jackson</u> <u>Democratic</u>

- [Marcia Fudge, Ohio](#)<sup>[20]</sup>
- [Marcy Kaptur, Ohio](#)<sup>[21]</sup>

#### City Council members

- [Dona Brady](#)<sup>[22]</sup>
- [Tony Brancatelli](#)<sup>[22]</sup>
- [Phyllis Cleveland](#)<sup>[22]</sup>
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#### Notable individuals

- [Dee Haslam](#), businesswoman and co-owner of the [Cleveland Browns](#)<sup>[23]</sup>
- [Jimmy Haslam](#), businessman and co-owner of the [Cleveland Browns](#)<sup>[23]</sup>

#### Labor unions

- [Cleveland Building & Construction Trades Council](#)<sup>[24]</sup>

#### Organizations

- [Cuyahoga County Democratic Party](#)<sup>[25]</sup>

#### Newspapers

- [The Plain Dealer](#)<sup>[26]</sup>

### Jeff Johnson

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#### Labor unions

- SEIU – [Service Employees International Union](#)<sup>[27]</sup>

#### Organizations

- [Cuyahoga County Progressive Caucus](#)<sup>[28]</sup>

### Robert Kilo

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#### Organizations

- [Cuyahoga County Republican Party](#)<sup>[29]</sup>

### Zack Reed

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Polling

Poll source	Date(s) administered	Sample size	Margin of error	James Jerome Bell	Eric Brewer	Brandon Chrostowski	Frank Jackson	Jeff Johnson	Robert Kilo	Camry Kincaid	Tony Madalone	Bill Patmon	Zack Reed	Dyrone Smith	Undecid
<a href="https://zogbyanalytics.com/news/790-the-zogby-poll-mayor-jackson-maintains-lead-in-primary-but-at-herd-of-voters-still-unsure-in-head-to-head-match-ups-mayor-jackson-easily-defeats-opponents">Zogby Analytics (https://zogbyanalytics.com/news/790-the-zogby-poll-mayor-jackson-maintains-lead-in-primary-but-at-herd-of-voters-still-unsure-in-head-to-head-match-ups-mayor-jackson-easily-defeats-opponents)</a>	August 2–8, 2017	504	± 4.4%	1%	3%	2%	<b>33%</b>	8%	2%	2%	1%	2%	<b>12%</b>	1%	<b>35%</b>

Results

Primary election results<sup>[31]</sup>

Candidate	Votes	%
<b>Frank G. Jackson (Incumbent)</b>	<b>12,699</b>	<b>38.74</b>
<b>Zack Reed</b>	<b>7,195</b>	<b>21.95</b>
Jeff Johnson	5,042	15.38
Brandon Edwin Chrostowski	3,112	9.49
Robert M. Kilo	1,725	5.26
Tony Madalone	1,515	4.62
Bill Patmon	883	2.69
Eric J. Brewer	479	1.46
Dyrone W. Smith	130	0.40
James Jerome Bell (Write-in)	0	0.00
Camry S. Kincaid (Write-in)	0	0.00
<b>Total votes</b>	<b>32,780</b>	<b>100</b>

General election

Candidates

- [Frank G. Jackson](#), incumbent [Mayor of Cleveland](#)
- [Zack Reed](#), [Cleveland City Council member](#)

Endorsements

<b>Frank Jackson</b>	<a href="#">[hide]</a>
<b>U.S. Representatives</b>	
▪ <a href="#">Marcia Fudge</a> , Ohio <sup>[20]</sup>	
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**Hypothetical polling**

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**with Eric Brewer**

Poll source	Date(s) administered	Sample size	Margin of error	Eric Brewer	Frank Jackson	Undecided
<a href="https://zogbyanalytics.com/news/790-the-zogby-poll-mayor-jackson-main-tains-lead-in-primary-but-a-third-of-voters-still-unsure-in-head-to-head-match-ups-mayor-jackson-easily-defeats-opponents">Zogby Analytics (https://zogbyanalytics.com/news/790-the-zogby-poll-mayor-jackson-main-tains-lead-in-primary-but-a-third-of-voters-still-unsure-in-head-to-head-match-ups-mayor-jackson-easily-defeats-opponents)</a>	August 2–8, 2017	504	± 4.4%	21%	<b>47%</b>	33%

**with Jeff Johnson**

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Results

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Frank G. Jackson (incumbent)	35,506	59.55
Zack Reed	24,116	40.45
Total votes	59,622	100

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