

Elon Musk Wants 'More Moderate' Third Party



Billionaire Elon Musk on Thursday tweeted that he could no longer vote for Democrats and will support Republicans in upcoming elections, though he would prefer a “more moderate” third-party alternative.

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realistic," he [added](#). "Generally, the party with less power (currently Republicans at national level) moves more toward center to win moderate votes, so control of House/Senate/President goes back & forth over time."

On Wednesday, Musk [tweeted](#): "In the past I voted Democrat, because they were (mostly) the kindness party. But they have become the party of division & hate, so I can no longer support them and will vote Republican. Now, watch their dirty tricks campaign against me unfold ..."

He previously [said](#) that "political attacks on me will escalate dramatically in coming months."

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Elon Musk Calls for 'Moderate' Third Party After Trashing Democrats, Pledging Vote to Republicans

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Elon Musk Says He Prefers More Moderate Third Party

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Elon Musk tweeted on Thursday he prefers a party “more moderate” across the board than Republicans and Democrats after making headlines for saying he could no longer support Democrats and would be [voting](#) Republican in future elections.

“A party more moderate on all issues than either Reps or Dems would be ideal,” the Tesla CEO and possible future owner of [Twitter](#) wrote.

One could argue a billionaire like Musk could put his financial weight behind an existing third party like Libertarians or the Green Party, or just create his own, and it would make at least some kind of noticeable impact, but Musk argued in a follow-up tweet that it's not, in his view, "realistic."

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Musk's statement adds more context to his pledge to vote Republican. On Wednesday, he tweeted that the Democratic Party used to be the

"kindness party," but have become a party of "division & hate." Musk's statement was welcomed by some Republicans as a full endorsement of the party. Rep. Lauren Boebert (R-CO), for instance, excitedly responded to the tweets by [welcoming](#) Musk to the "right side."

At a Miami tech conference this week, Musk also [talked](#) about his plans to vote for Republicans despite "overwhelmingly" voting Democrat in the past.

"I have voted overwhelmingly for Democrats, historically. Overwhelmingly. Like, I'm not sure, I might never have voted for a Republican, just to be clear," he said. "Now, this election? I will."