

**ZONING PROCEDURES AND GUIDELINES
RELATING TO POLITICAL SIGNS
IN THE TOWN OF PINE RIDGE**

WHERE CAN POLITICAL SIGNS BE DISPLAYED?

- (1) Signs shall be confined to placement on private property.

WHERE ARE SIGNS NOT PERMITTED?

- (1) Signs shall not be permitted within any street or highway right-of-way.
- (2) Signs shall not be painted on or attached to trees, fence posts, rocks or other natural features, telephone or utility poles or painted on the roofs of buildings visible from any public thoroughfare.

WHEN DO SIGNS HAVE TO BE REMOVED?

- (1) They must be removed within seven (7) days after the election or referendum has been decided

ARE THERE ANY SPECIFIC SIZE LIMITATIONS FOR POLITICAL SIGNS?

- (1) Area: Signs shall not exceed fifteen (15) square feet per sign face.
- (2) Height: The lower edge of the sign face shall not exceed four (4) feet in height from the average grade. The maximum height of temporary signs shall not exceed eight (8) feet.
- (3) Location:
 - a) No temporary sign shall be located so as to obstruct or impair driver vision at business ingress/egress points and at intersections.
 - b) No temporary sign shall be located nearer than one hundred (100) feet to any church, cemetery, public building, historic site or district, and intersection of two (2) or more public streets or highways.
 - c) No sign shall be erected or maintained on any corner lot within the line connecting points on the street lot line 20 feet distance from the corner
 - d) Temporary signs are not to be located any closer than one hundred (100) feet from any other sign on the same premises.

WHAT TYPES OF SIGNS ARE NOT ALLOWED?

- (1) Signs which contains any moving, flashing, animated lights, visible moving or movable parts, or giving the appearance of animation.
- (2) Portable signs, banners, pennants, balloons, sidewalk/sandwich signs, inflatable, cardboard, poster board, plywood or OSB signs.

WHAT CAN HAPPEN WHEN A SIGN IS IN VIOLATION?

- (1) Political signs found displayed in violation may be subject to removal, impoundment, and disposal.
- (2) The owner of a sign impounded may recover same upon the payment of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each sign, prior to the expiration of the ten-day impoundment period; in the event it is not claimed within the ten (10) days, the Administrator shall have authority to dispose of such sign.

WHAT IS THE PENALTY OF VIOLATING THE ZONING ORDINANCE?

- (1) Any person who violates the provisions of this article, upon conviction shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall forfeit and pay such penalties as the court may decide, not to exceed \$500.00, plus any state required court assessments. Each day the violation continues shall be considered a separate offense.