

## 7.04.02. Political campaign signs.

Political campaign signs or posters shall be permitted in all zoning districts subject to the following restrictions, limitations and requirements and any other applicable requirements set forth in this article.

1. Setback shall be two (2) feet from public rights-of-way.
2. Setback shall be fifteen (15) feet from side property lines or equidistant between side property lines.
3. The maximum height shall be five (5) feet in residential districts and ten (10) feet in commercial and industrial districts.
4. The maximum sign shall be:

	Maximum Per Sign	Maximum Per Parcel
Residential districts	6 sq. ft.	12 sq. ft.
Agricultural, office, commercial or industrial districts	<u>16</u> sq. ft.	32 sq. ft.

5. Candidates for political office or political action groups shall register with the county clerk prior to erecting their signs related to an election or referendum. The registration shall constitute a permit allowing such political signs; provided, however, that the signs comply with this article, that the registrant removes all of its signs within fifteen (15) days after the election or referendum issue has been decided, and that the registrant acknowledges that any of its signs placed on county property or rights-of-way may be removed by the county without notice to the registrant.

Failure to remove signs within fifteen (15) days after the election or referendum issue has been decided shall be prosecuted under the civil citation system.

Note: Civil citation penalties:

Failure to remove political signs:

First offense .....\$30.00

Second offense .....50.00

Third offense, with a five-day warning notice .....450.00

All other political sign violations:

First offense .....\$50.00

Second offense .....100.00

Third offense, with a two-day warning notice .....450.00

6. The erection and removal of all political signs shall be the joint responsibility of the owner of the property upon which the sign is placed, of the owner of such sign and the candidate for whom such sign was placed. Each such person shall be jointly and severally liable for a violation of the terms and conditions of this article.