

## ROCKLEDGE LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS

### 86.07. Political and campaign signs.

(a) Political or campaign signs advertising on behalf of candidates for public officers or issues or referenda are permitted in all zone districts except R1, R2, R2A, R3, TH, MH and residential areas of PUD's, subject to the following regulations:

(1) Such signs shall be erected by a bona fide candidate or campaign committee upon qualifying for said election and shall be removed within five (5) days following the election.

(2) Before such signs are erected, the candidate or political action committee placing the political sign, or their representatives, shall pay a cash bond of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) and register a permanent address and phone number to the city clerk. Such bond shall be returned to the candidate or political action committee after their signs are removed. If the candidate or political action committee fails to remove said sign within the required five (5) days after the election, the candidate or political action committee will be notified in writing of the violation. If said signs are not removed within five (5) days of such written notice, the bond shall be forfeited and the city may remove said signs. Such removed signs shall be held by the city for a period of thirty (30) days. During this period, and during regular city business hours, the candidate or political action committee may claim their signs, but shall pay a five dollar (\$5.00) service charge to the city for each sign claimed. Any signs not claimed within thirty (30) days shall become the property of the city.

(3) Only one stationary sign per candidate or referendum issue on any one parcel of land.

(4) No political sign shall exceed thirty-two (32) square feet in aggregate area and if detached shall not be erected in such a manner as to constitute a roof sign. Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection, a sign may be placed upon any legally existing sign structure but not so as to cover an existing sign.

(5) No sign shall be located in, on, or over the public right-of-way and no sign shall obstruct, impede or otherwise create a hazardous condition for the safe and normal flow of pedestrian or motor vehicle traffic. No sign shall be erected on private property without the consent of the property owner. In case of violation, any illegal signs will be removed by the city. Such removed signs shall be held by the city for a period of thirty (30) days following election day. During this period, and during regular city business hours, the candidates may claim their signs, but shall pay the city a five dollar (\$5.00) service charge for each sign claimed. Any signs not claimed within thirty (30) days following election day shall become the property of the city.

(6) No political, referendum issue or campaign sign shall be placed on any tree, utility pole or fence post. In case of violation, the candidate or political action committee will be notified in writing to remove said signs. If the signs are not removed within twenty-four (24) hours of such written notice, any signs so placed will be removed by the city. Such removed signs shall be held by the city for a period of thirty (30) days following election day. During this period, and during regular city business hours, the candidates may claim their signs, but shall pay the city a five dollar (\$5.00) service charge for each sign claimed. Any signs not claimed within thirty (30) days following election day shall become the property of the city.

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(b) Political or campaign signs advertising on behalf of candidates for public office or issues or referenda are permitted in R1, R2, R2A, R3, TH, MH and residential areas of PUD's subject to the following regulations:

(1) Such signs shall be erected by the property owner or tenant for a bona fide candidate or campaign committee upon qualifying for said election and shall be removed within five (5) days following the election.

(2) Only one stationary sign per candidate or referendum issue with a maximum of three (3) signs on any one parcel of land or lot.

(3) No political sign shall exceed three (3) square feet in aggregate area nor be constructed in such a manner as to constitute a roof sign. If the sign is detached from the building it shall not exceed a height of four (4) feet above the existing grade and shall be placed within three (3) feet or less of the front building line.

(4) No sign shall be located in, on, or over the public right-of-way and no sign shall obstruct, impede or otherwise create a hazardous condition for the safe and normal flow of pedestrian or motor vehicle traffic. In case of violation, the property owner or tenant will be notified in writing to remove said sign(s). If the signs are not removed within twenty-four (24) hours of such written notice, any signs will be removed by the city. Such removed signs will be held by the city for a period of thirty (30) days following election day. During this period, and during regular city business hours, the candidates, property owner or tenant may claim their signs, but shall pay the city a five dollar (\$5.00) service charge for each sign claimed. Any signs not claimed within thirty (30) days following election day shall become the property of the city.

(5) No political, referendum issue or campaign sign shall be placed on any tree, utility pole or fence post. In case of violation, the candidate or political action committee will be notified in writing to remove said signs. If the signs are not removed within twenty-four (24) hours of such written notice, any signs so placed will be removed by the city. Such removed signs shall be held by the city for a period of thirty (30) days following election day. During this period, and during regular city business hours, the candidate may claim his signs, but shall pay the city a five dollar (\$5.00) service charge for each sign claimed. Any signs not claimed within thirty (30) days following election day shall become the property of the city.