

POSTING OF CAMPAIGN SIGNS

As a candidate for City Council, or any other political position within our jurisdiction, the Sausalito City Council hereby requests that you and your campaign workers adhere to the following regulations for political signs and to exhibit common courtesy with regard to any signs posted.

A political sign shall meet the following criteria:

- It is a temporary sign
- It encourages a particular vote in a scheduled election
- No sign shall be posted sooner than 90 days prior to the scheduled election, nor prior to their appropriate filing of FPPC Form 501
- All signs shall be removed within 10 days following that scheduled election

In addition, Chapter 10.42 of the Sausalito Zoning Ordinance on “Sign and Awning Regulations”, states the following:

10.42.030 – Sign Definitions:

Temporary Sign. A sign generally constructed of paper, cardboard, cloth, canvass, plastic, synthetic, fabric or other similar lightweight materials used to provide information on events or conditions of a short and limited time duration.

10.42.040 A(4): Temporary noncommercial signs in residential zones during campaign periods. During campaign periods, freestanding political campaign signs and other noncommercial signs with an aggregate size of no greater than sixteen (16) square feet may be displayed on any private property which is residentially zoned and the yard which extends to the developed portion of the right-of-way. Such temporary noncommercial signs must be removed within ten (10) days following the election. (*This also applies on commercially zoned property.*)

Please consider the implications of those regulations:

- Temporary campaign signage is allowed without a sign permit, as long as they comply with the provisions of this section.
- It means that you may not post signs on utility poles or structures, on public property or within public rights-of-way, park structures, etc.

Additionally, encourage your campaign supporters to engage in respectful and courteous “sign behavior”:

- Obtain permission from property owners before signs are posted.
- Do NOT post multiple signs in one location
- Do NOT remove, cover, or deface other candidates’ signs.

Unauthorized signs may be removed by City Staff or by property owners who do not authorize the posting of campaign signs. You may be charged a fee if any signs are required to be removed from public property by City Staff and placed into storage.

If you have any questions about the sign regulations, please contact the Community Development Department at (415) 289-4128, or stop by their counter at City Hall any Monday through Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. or until 12:00 noon on Fridays.