

Political Campaign Signs

Excerpt from Schedule K, Sanford Land Development Regulations

Section 6.1. Political campaign signs.

Signs promoting candidates seeking public office and signs promoting or opposing issues to be voted on by the electorate shall be permitted up to a total of nine square feet on a parcel containing uses indicated in the land use regulation schedules as residential, miscellaneous or public and semi-public and 32 square feet on a parcel containing uses indicated in the land use regulation schedules as commercial, transient lodging and entertainment, automotive, miscellaneous business and services, industrial or agricultural.

A. Location. All such campaign signs shall be located on private property. In addition, campaign signs with a sign surface area of nine square feet or greater shall not be less than 30 feet from the curblines of any street intersection. Campaign signs shall not be located in a street right-of-way.

B. Display timeframe. The signs may be displayed 30 days prior and seven days after the election at which the candidate or proposal will be voted upon. In case a final election follows within 60 days of a primary election, candidates who won in the primary election may continue to display their campaign signs during the interim period and up to seven days after the final election.

C. Deposit and forfeiture. Each candidate shall pay to the city a deposit of \$250.00 prior to erecting, placing or otherwise locating any political campaign sign. Said deposit shall be refunded to the candidate if all signs are removed within the seven days after the candidate is either elected or defeated in the election in question or the ballot proposal is voted upon. In the event that all political campaign signs are not removed within seven days after the candidate is either elected or defeated or the proposal is voted upon, the \$250.00 deposit shall be forfeited to the city. In the event that a candidate's or proponent's/opponent's issue campaign sign is located in a street right-of-way, that candidate's deposit shall be forfeited.

(Ord. No. 3773, §§ 1, 2, 1-27-2003)