

August 20, 2014

Dear Parties, Candidates & Supporters:

2014 promises to be a very exciting political season. Local elections are the ones closest to the people, and more people actually know one or more candidates. The Champaign City Code has one regulation relevant to all election signs, and this letter is to remind all candidates of that one rule *plus* the size limitation *by* district.

**All election signs must be placed on private property with the permission of that property owner.**

Private property starts on the home/business side of the sidewalk, so please instruct your campaign workers **NOT** to place anything between the sidewalk and the curb. **Signs placed illegally on public property will be removed and recycled.**

There is no limit on the number of signs that can be placed on a lot, so each member of a household may place a sign for their favorite candidate if they desire. **We do set a legal limit on size by district.**

**§37-421. - Nonbusiness signs.**

The following types of signs shall be permitted in all districts without a permit:

(f) Temporary political signs shall each not have a total surface area exceeding the limitation established in this division for a real estate sign for the zoning district where the sign is located.

**Maximum area: All Residential Districts ≤6<sup>sq</sup> CO & CN ≤16<sup>sq</sup> All other districts ≤36<sup>sq</sup>**

Please be careful when placing larger signs near intersections or driveways in order not to obstruct views of oncoming traffic. If a concern arises about a particular sign on private property we will contact you.

If you have any questions about the sign ordinance, please contact the Planning Department.

Sincerely,



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