

Supervisor **W. S. SWETMAN III** moved the adoption of the following Ordinance:

ORDER APPROVING ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE OF THE HARRISON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGULATING POLITICAL SIGNS AND POSTERS FOR THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF HARRISON COUNTY

WHEREAS, due to growth and the increased use of print media in elections during recent years, there has been a similar increase in the demand for location of off-premises outdoor political signage during election periods along the highways and roadways of the unincorporated areas of Harrison County; and

WHEREAS, the Harrison County Board of Supervisors has determined that the proliferation of unlimited and unregulated political signs and posters in private, residential, commercial, industrial and public areas of the unincorporated areas of the County create ugliness, tarnish the natural beauty of the landscape, substantially impinge upon the ambience of the community and cause safety and traffic hazard to motorists, pedestrians and children; and

WHEREAS, issues related to maintenance, litter and blight are created due to the temporary nature of political signs; and

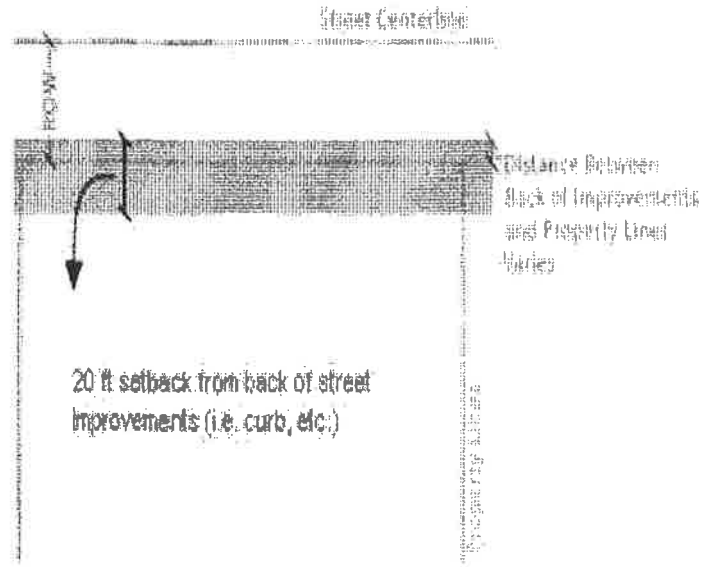
WHEREAS, the Board has determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of the County to adopt an Ordinance regulating the location, size and display time for political signage in the unincorporated areas of Harrison County, Mississippi.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, AS FOLLOWS:

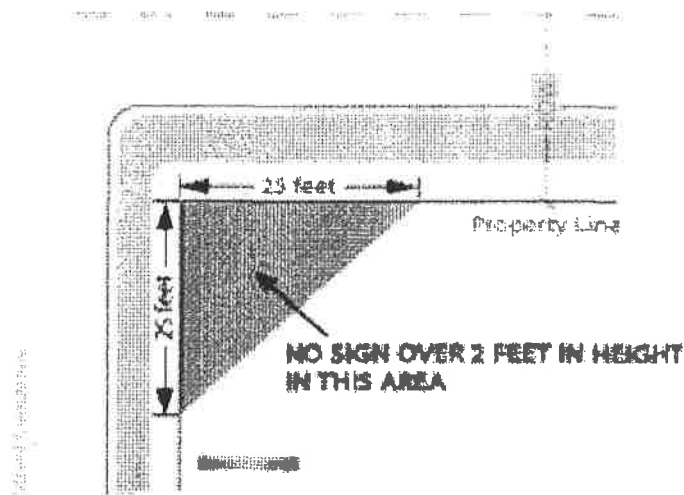
SECTION I. Any political sign or poster placed within the unincorporated areas of Harrison County, Mississippi must:

- a. Be sixteen (16) feet or less in size and no more than ten (10) feet in height. For purposes of this Ordinance, no other "signage calculations" shall exist;
- b. Be limited to placement on private property or other private property with the property owner's consent. Actual right-of-way dimensions vary depending on improvements and street designs. Because of this variation, all signs or posters must be a minimum twenty feet (20') from the back of street improvement of edge of curb (See Drawing A) and must be outside the twenty-five feet (25') safety triangle (See Drawing B). On corners, signs or posters over two feet (2') feet in height are not allowed in the twenty-five feet (25') safety triangle;

Drawing A:



Drawing B:



- c. Be prohibited from placement on County or State property, rights-of-way or easements;
- d. Be erected no more than ninety (90) days prior to such election or referendum; and
- e. Be removed within thirty (30) days after referendum, or last such election in which the candidate or issue is eligible.

SECTION II. Any person violating any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. Each person shall be deemed guilty of a separate offense for each and every day or portion thereof during which any violation of any of the provisions of this Ordinance is committed or permitted. Upon conviction of any such violation, such person shall be punished by a fine of not more than Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) plus court costs. In addition to the penalties hereinabove provided, any condition caused or permitted to exist in violation of any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed a public nuisance and be summarily abated as such by the County. The County shall have the right to remove any sign(s) and/or poster(s) found to be in violation of the provisions of this Ordinance and the cost to remove the sign(s) and/or poster(s) will be assessed to the owner.

SECTION III. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption of this date.

Supervisor **KIM B. SAVANT** seconded the motion to adopt the above and foregoing ordinance whereupon the question was put to a vote with the following results:

Supervisor W.S. SWETMAN III	voted	AYE
Supervisor KIM B. SAVANT	voted	AYE
Supervisor MARLIN R. LADNER	voted	AYE
Supervisor WILLIAM W. MARTIN	voted	AYE
Supervisor CONNIE ROCKCO	voted	AYE

The majority of the members present having voted in the affirmative, the motion was declared carried and the Order adopted on this the 1st day of December 2014.

Supervisor KIM SAVANT moved the adoption of the following Ordinance:

ORDER APPROVING AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE OF THE HARRISON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGULATING POLITICAL SIGNS AND POSTERS FOR THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF HARRISON COUNTY ADOPTED ON DECEMBER 1, 2014, BY ADDING SECTION 1 (F)

WHEREAS, due to growth and the increased use of print media in elections during recent years, there has been a similar increase in the demand for location of off-premises outdoor political signage during election periods along the highways and roadways of the unincorporated areas of Harrison County; and

WHEREAS, the Harrison County Board of Supervisors has determined that the proliferation of unlimited and unregulated political signs and posters in private, residential, commercial, industrial and public areas of the unincorporated areas of the County create ugliness, tarnish the natural beauty of the landscape, substantially impinge upon the ambience of the community and cause safety and traffic hazard to motorists, pedestrians and children; and

WHEREAS, issues related to maintenance, litter and blight are created due to the temporary nature of political signs; and

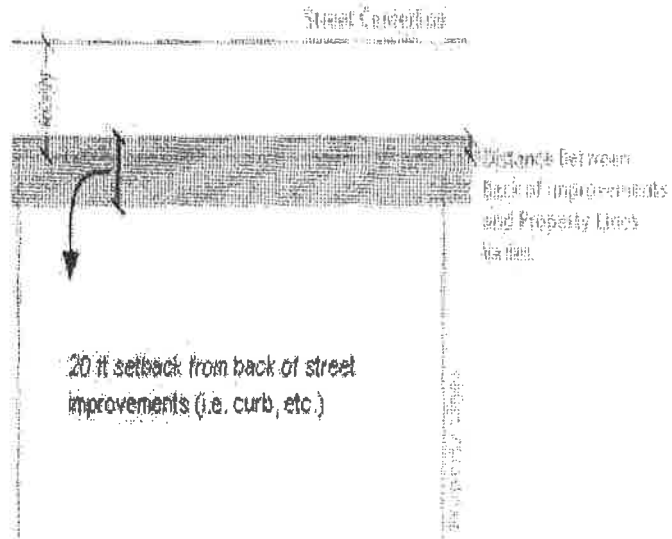
WHEREAS, the Board has determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of the County to amend the Ordinance regulating the location, size and display time for political signage in the unincorporated areas of Harrison County, Mississippi.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, AS FOLLOWS:

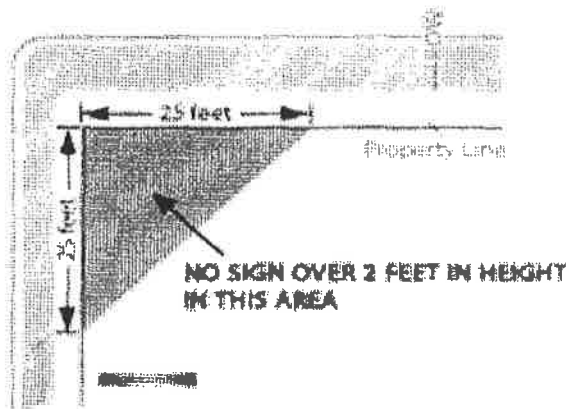
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Drawing A:



Drawing B:



- c. Be prohibited from placement on County or State property, rights-of-way or easements, except as provided in f. below;
- d. Be erected no more than ninety (90) days prior to such election or referendum;

- e. Be removed within thirty (30) days after referendum, or last such election in which the candidate or issue is eligible; and
- f. Beginning one (1) hour before the opening of the polls on any election day until one (1) hour after the polls close on any election day, political signs or posters otherwise in compliance with this ordinance may be placed on County or State property, rights-of-way or easements not less than one hundred fifty (150) feet away from any entrance of the building wherein any election or polling place is being held in compliance with § 23-15-895, Mississippi Code Annotated (1972), as amended, but not more than two hundred fifty (250) feet away from any entrance of the building or polling place wherein any election is being held.

SECTION II. Any person violating any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. Each person shall be deemed guilty of a separate offense for each and every day or portion thereof during which any violation of any of the provisions of this Ordinance is committed or permitted. Upon conviction of any such violation, such person shall be punished by a fine of not more than Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) plus court costs. In addition to the penalties hereinabove provided, any condition caused or permitted to exist in violation of any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed a public nuisance and be summarily abated as such by the County. The County shall have the right to remove any sign(s) and/or poster(s) found to be in violation of the provisions of this Ordinance and the cost to remove the sign(s) and/or poster(s) will be assessed to the owner.

SECTION III. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption of this date.

Supervisor CONNIE ROCKCO seconded the motion to adopt the above and foregoing ordinance whereupon the question was put to a vote with the following results:

Supervisor W.S. SWETMAN III	voted	AYE
Supervisor KIM B. SAVANT	voted	AYE
Supervisor MARLIN R. LADNER	voted	AYE
Supervisor WILLIAM W. MARTIN	voted	AYE
Supervisor CONNIE ROCKCO	voted	AYE

The majority of the members present having voted in the affirmative, the motion was declared carried and the Order adopted on this the 8th day of December, 2014.