



Department of Community Development

Re: Placement of Election Signs on Private Property

The Community Development Department has provided the following guidance for signage over 3 sq. ft. (standard, popsicle sign) for the upcoming election on private property. Larger, free standing signage on private property, is permitted under the following regulations. For placement of signage on public property or public street, please see the separate memorandum issued annually.

- *Residential Properties:* Signs are permitted to be no larger than 16 sq. feet. If they stay under 4 feet in height then no building permit is required. A taller sign would require a building permit.
- *Non-Residential Properties:* Again, no building permit is required if the sign stays under 4 ft. in height. Commercial and industrial properties are allowed one (1) freestanding sign per road frontage up to 50 square feet. If a freestanding sign already exists on the property additional signage can be added as long as the total area does not exceed 50 sq. ft.

Should you have any questions, please contact Carlos Perez, Property Code Enforcement Supervisor or Matthew Arcieri, Director of Planning & Development at 703-257-8424.