## Political Sign Restrictions

## NO NOTIFICATION WILL BE GIVEN PRIOR TO REMOVING ANY ILLEGALLY PLACED POLITICAL SIGN

**NOTICE:** The presiding election judge and their appointed special peace officers may enforce sign violations from the 100-foot distance marker into the building being used as a polling place. Designated City of Arlington or school district employees **have the authority** to remove illegal signs outside the 100-foot distance marker located on any city property or school district property, which is being used as a polling place, when those signs violate any reasonable time, place, and manner regulations enacted by the City or the school district, as applicable.

**No** <u>temporary</u> signs larger than six (6) square feet (2'x3') or higher than eight (8) feet within the property lines of property in which a polling place is located - for early voting, when the early voting polling place is open for the conduct of early voting; and for election day, beginning when the polls open for voting and ending when the polls close or the last voter has voted, whichever is later.

**No** signs on or over any street, alley, park, light standard, utility pole, fire hydrant or other object or structure situated on public property.

**No** signs with any structural support on or within any street right-of-way, parkway, alley, public sidewalk, park or other public property.

**No** signs projecting into any area within twenty-four (24") inches of the back of the street curb or edge of a roadway.

**No** signs within street right-of-ways and medians. Ten (10') feet from the back of street curbs is considered to be right-of-way for the purpose of enforcement.

**No** signs within  $7' \times 60'$  visibility triangles at street intersections. The dimensions are measured from property lines (<u>not</u> street curbs).

**No** signs larger than thirty-six (36) square feet or higher than eight (8') feet.

No sound amplification devices within 1,000 feet of a polling place.

Political signs at <u>Polling Locations</u> must be removed immediately after the polls close.

## ARLINGTON CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES ELECTIONS CHAPTER, SECTION 4.04, RELATED TO SIGNS NEAR POLLING PLACES

## Section 4.04 Temporary Signs Near Polling Places

- A. No temporary sign shall be placed, erected, constructed or maintained at a size greater than six (6) square feet nor at a height greater than eight (8) feet in the area within the property lines of the property in which a polling place is located during the voting period, except as otherwise provided by state law. "Voting period" means the period beginning when a poll opens for early voting and election day voting and ending when the poll closes or the last voter has voted, whichever is later. Signs shall not be located in City right-of-way.
- B. During the voting period, the placement of temporary signs at the polling place located within the <u>Bob Duncan Center</u> shall be limited to a designated area within the property lines of the <u>Bob Duncan Center</u> provided:
  - 1. The designated area shall be a minimum of 1,500 square feet;
  - 2. The designated area shall be located near or adjacent to a polling place entry or parking area such that temporary signage is visible to voters accessing the polling place;
  - 3. Signage and other available means shall clearly delineate the boundary of the designated area; and
  - 4. A map delineating the boundary of the designated area is available in the City Secretary's Office.

In no event may any portion of the designated area be located within 100' feet of an outside door through which a voter may enter the building in which the polling place is located. No sign shall be installed, erected or constructed outside the designated area meeting the above criteria.

C. A sign which is installed, erected or constructed in violation of this section is subject to removal and disposal without prior notice to the owner of such sign. (Amend Ord 14-009, 2/11/14)