Dear Mayor and Council,

Please see attached memo from Jerry Dobrovolny, General Manager, Engineering Services, regarding Election/Political Signage in the City of Vancouver.

A short summary of the memo is as follow:

- Election/political signage on City property with exceptions
- All improperly placed signs and posters will be impounded
- Signs on private property are regulated by the Sign by-law

Best
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RE: Information Regarding Election / Political Signage in City of Vancouver

Placement of election/political signage is regulated in the City of Vancouver through the Sign By-law and Street and Traffic By-law. To help you in adhering to the law during the upcoming election period, we have enclosed information on the City’s approach to regulating election/political signage.

Signs on City property are regulated by the Street and Traffic By-law:

- Election/political signage is not allowed on City property including, but not limited to:
  - the area between the sidewalk and the street
  - boulevards or street centre medians (including on Boundary Road)
  - poles
  - structures such as utility or post boxes
  - sidewalks and roadways
- **Exception:** Election/political signage is tolerated on City property during an election only between the backs of sidewalks and the adjoining private property.
- **Exception:** Election/political material may be posted using the City’s poster cylinders located on designated lamp standards throughout the city. Find a map online at: [http://vancouver.ca/doing-business/posters-and-signs-on-city-property.aspx](http://vancouver.ca/doing-business/posters-and-signs-on-city-property.aspx).
- **Impounding of signs:** All improperly placed signs and posters on City property will be impounded and stored at Engineering Services, 5th Floor, 507 West Broadway at the expense of the party/candidate involved. If a sign is removed, it can be recovered from this location from 9am-5pm on weekdays. Under the Impounding By-law, the City is authorized to charge for the removal of unlawfully placed signs on City streets. The impoundment charge ranges from $100.00 to $300.00 per sign or display based on the amount of staff and equipment required for removal.

Signs on private property are regulated by the Sign By-law:

- Election/political signs are allowed on private property. A sign that is less than 3.0m² and free standing does not require a permit.
We appreciate your civic involvement and contributions to our democracy, and appreciate your compliance in following these by-laws. Please call 3-1-1 (Outside of Vancouver: 604-873-7000) or email street.activities@vancouver.ca if you have any further questions.

Yours truly,

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