

## **ENGINEERING SERVICES**

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## RE: Information Regarding Election/Political Signage in the 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. Enclosed is information on the City's approach to regulating election/ political signage to help you in adhering to the law during the upcoming election period. These election signs are permitted starting 45 days prior to general voting day.

Signs on street right-of-way are regulated by the Street and Traffic By-law:

- Election/ political signage is not allowed on City property including, but not limited to:
  - o the area between the sidewalk and the street
  - o boulevards or street centre medians (including on Boundary Road)
  - o poles
  - structures such as utility or post boxes
  - sidewalks and roadways
- **Exception:** Election/ political signage is acceptable on City property during an election only between the back of sidewalk and an adjoining private property with permission of the property owner.
- **Exception:** Election/ political material may be posted using the City's poster cylinders located on designated lamp standards throughout the city. Find the map online at: 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. Please email or call to make an appointment to recover any impounded signage. Under the Impounding By-law, the City is authorized to charge for the removal of unlawfully placed signs on City streets. The minimum impoundment charge is \$100.00 per sign and may increase depending 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 3.0m<sup>2</sup> and free standing does not require a permit. One window sign per address and covering a maximum of 30% of the glass surface of the window does not require a permit.
- Election signs may be put up on:
  - o the day a federal or provincial election is announced; or
  - o 45 days before a municipal election vote or referendum.
- Election signs must be removed 48 hours after the close of voting.

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 <a href="mailto:street.activities@vancouver.ca">street.activities@vancouver.ca</a> if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

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