



# Political Sign Standards

## Department of Development Services

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Pursuant to the following subsections of §14-218 Signs, of the *Zoning and Land Use Ordinance*:

(4) Signs not requiring a permit.

The following signs do not require a permit:

(a) Signs not exceeding six (6) square feet in a residential zoning district, the Office Transition district, Institutional district, and the Neighborhood district; or not exceeding nine (9) square feet in a downtown district (excluding the Office Transition district), Central Community district, the Office district; or sixteen (16) square feet in the Business and Transportation district, the High Intensity Commercial district, the High Intensity Retail district and the Industrial district.

(12) Location and height.

(d) **No sign or supporting structure may be located in or over any public right-of-way, including sidewalks.** Exception: Signs erected by or on behalf of or pursuant to the authorization of a governmental body, including legal notices, identification and informational signs, and traffic, directional or regulatory signs.

(14) Miscellaneous restrictions and prohibitions.

(b) No sign may be located so that it substantially interferes with the view necessary for motorists to proceed safely through intersections or to enter onto or exit from public streets or private roads.

(m) ...The city may immediately, and without prior notice, remove a sign erected, placed or maintained in whole or in part on public right-of-way if the sign is not authorized by state law or under the terms of this section. Removed signs will be stored at a City of Maryville facility pending disposal or returned to the rightful owner...

**For more information regarding sign regulations,  
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