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## CAMPAIGN SIGNS DOs AND DON'Ts

The following is a summary regarding the requirements for political campaign signs in the City and County.

- All political signs in both the City and the County must be located on **private property**. The placement of such signs is subject to the permission of the property owner. Moreover, these signs are not permitted on City or County right-of-way. In other words, the areas between the sidewalk and curb and within roundabouts (boulevard areas) are OFF-LIMITS.
- No permits are necessary to display political signs.
- Political signs may not be illuminated.
- In the City limits, political signs are limited to 20 square feet in size (per sign). There is no limit on the number of signs that may be displayed.
- Political Signs must be at least 100 feet away from any entrance to a Polling Place (a place where voters go to cast their votes in an election) on Election Day.
- Signs must be removed immediately following the election.
- Improperly placed signs may be removed without notice.
- The regulations regarding political signs can be found in Section 20.75.040 (D)(6) of the Missoula City Zoning Ordinance (Title 20) and in the County Zoning Resolution 76-113, Section 3.04 (In April of 2010, the Missoula County Attorney's Office issued a memorandum lifting restrictions on the number and size of political signs in the County).

Please feel free to contact OPG with any questions or concerns at 258-4657 or by email at [zoner@co.missoula.mt.us](mailto:zoner@co.missoula.mt.us).