The City of Lakewood Municipal Code regulates the placement and display of all types of signs within the city. This brochure contains selected provisions from the Code as a quick reference to the most important provisions for the placement and display of political signs.

**GENERAL RULES FOR THE DISPLAY OF POLITICAL CAMPAIGN SIGNS**

Signs may be no larger than four (4) square feet, regardless of location. Multiple signs may not be combined to create a larger display.

Signs may not obstruct pedestrians, bicycles, vehicles, or traffic visibility.

Signs must be properly maintained. Signs that are damaged or fall to the ground must be restored or removed.

Signs may not be attached to trees or utility poles or other public devices.

Campaign signs may be displayed no sooner than 60 days before the election and must be removed no later than 10 days after the election.

Campaigns continuing to the general election may continue to display their signs between the primary and general elections.

**PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY**

In addition to the general rules, the following conditions apply to campaign signs in the public right-of-way:

Signs are prohibited on all traffic islands.

The City of Lakewood will remove signs from the right-of-way that do not conform to the regulations.

Signs that are damaged or fall and remain on the ground are considered litter and will be removed by the City.

Signs that the City removes from the right-of-way may be discarded without return to the campaigns.

**PRIVATE PROPERTY**

Political campaign signs are allowed on private property provided they comply with these rules and are placed with the permission of the property owner or occupant.

Private property owners or occupants may remove unwanted signs from their property. Signs removed from the adjacent public right-of-way must be returned to the campaigns.

**THEFT/VANDALISM OF SIGNS**

Political signs are the property of the respective candidates or campaigns. Except as provided above, damaging or unauthorized removal of political signs is a crime and may be prosecuted as theft or vandalism.