- (g) Signs within the visibility triangle are prohibited.
- (h) Signs in which electrical wiring and connections are used shall comply with the requirements of the city's electrical code.
- (i) Every sign in the city, regardless of whether any permit is required for such sign, shall be maintained in a safe, presentable and sound structural and operational condition at all times, including the replacement of nonfunctioning, broken, defective, or missing parts, painting, repainting, cleaning and any other acts required for the maintenance of such sign. All signs and sign supports, brackets and frames shall be kept painted or otherwise treated to prevent rust, rot or deterioration. If, upon inspection by the building official or designee, a sign is found to violate this section, written notice shall be given to the owner, giving the owner sixty (60) days to either put the sign in acceptable condition or remove the sign. Otherwise, the building official or designee is hereby authorized to cause the removal of the sign at the expense of the owner.
- (j) Banners shall be permissible for a period not exceeding thirty (30) calendar days in a year and are subject to permitting. The thirty (30) days can be during one (1) time period, four (4) one-week periods or two (2) two-week periods.

Sec. 3.16.006 Noncommercial messages

Notwithstanding any other provision of this article to the contrary, any noncommercial message may be substituted for the message on any commercial sign allowed by this article, and any other noncommercial message may be substituted for any noncommercial message on any sign allowed by this article.

Sec. 3.16.007 Exempt signs

Exempt signs as designated under this section are allowed without a permit in all zoning districts in accordance with this article.

- (1) City governmental signs for control of traffic or other regulatory purposes, street signs, danger signs, railroad crossing signs and signs of public service companies indicating danger and/or aids to service or safety which are erected by or on approval of the city.
- (2) The flag, pennant or insignia of any nation, organization of nations, state, county or city, of any religious, civic or fraternal organization, or of any educational institution, provided such flags are no larger than sixty (60) square feet, are flown on a pole no higher than thirty-five feet (35'), are flown at a height no greater than thirty-five feet (35') if attached to a building, and are not illuminated, and provided such flags are not used in connection with a commercial promotion or as an advertising device.

(Ordinance 2007-08-00596 adopted 8/2/07)

- (3) Signs that contain primarily a political message and are located on private real property with the consent of the property owner and:
 - (A) Do not have an effective area greater than thirty-six (36) feet;

- (B) Are not more than eight (8) feet high;
- (C) Are not illuminated; or
- (D) Do not have any moving elements.

(Ordinance 2014-02-00774 adopted 2/20/14)

Campaign Signs

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During campaign season, the landscape blooms with a special kind of flower - the political sign. Unlike wildflowers that are welcome anywhere, putting campaign signs on public lands is illegal. So before you plant that sign, learn the law and keep Texas beautiful.

You Need to Know

- It is illegal to place any signs on or within the right of way. This includes posting signs on trees, telephone poles, traffic signs and other objects on the right of way.
- Campaign signs along Texas roads can be placed on private property with the owner's permission.
 Signs must be made of lightweight material and be no larger than 50 square feet.
- Campaign signs may be posted as early as 90 days before an election (no earlier) and must be removed within 10 days after the election.
- Before placing a sign inside of incorporated city limits, check with the city for applicable ordinances.

Sign Removal

If you've placed your sign in the right of way or it's posing a traffic hazard, we will remove it without prior notice. All costs associated with sign removal will be paid by the sign owner.

For More Information

• Political Advertising – Texas Ethics Commission

Contact Us

For further information about the rules governing campaign signs, please call (512) 416-2901.