



CITY OF SAN ANTONIO
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

To: DSD Associates
From: Roderick J. Sanchez, Director and Code Official
Date: February 14, 2014

INTERPRETATION NUMBER: CI2014-004

TITLE: Political signs in public right of way

CODE EDITION: City Code Chapter 28 Signs

SECTION: Sections 28-6 "Definitions" and 28-117 "Temporary Signs"

QUESTION: Are political signs permitted to be put on the public right of way?

ANSWER: Yes. Political signs are considered "temporary signs" per our City Code Chapter 28 and are permitted up to 90 days after the election. While other temporary signs are generally not permitted in the public right-of-way, the intent of our city's sign code is not to prohibit basic political campaigning which is a key element of our country's democratic election process.

Note that political signs, like all signs within the City, shall not create a hazard or interfere with public safety in any manner. If/when it is determined that a sign does create a safety hazard, it shall be removed by DSD field staff.

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