

## **CAMPAIGN SIGN RULES IN THE CITY OF ARCATA**

**Rules governing campaign signs in Arcata are limited to the following excerpt from Title IX of the Arcata Municipal Code—Land Use Code.**

### **Section 9.38.050(B)(2)**

**Political, social issue, or special event signs.** These non-illuminated signs are allowed without a sign permit and shall not be prohibited by any other development restrictions (i.e. CC&R's), provided that the signs:

- a. Are placed on private property with the property owner's consent
- b. Shall not exceed a total aggregate area of 12 square feet on a site within a residential zoning district, and 32 square feet within a non-residential zoning district.
- c. Are not placed within 15 feet of a fire hydrant, street sign, or traffic signal, or interfere with, confuse, obstruct, or mislead traffic;
- d. Are not placed unlawfully. The placement of a sign in a public right-of-way in violation of this Chapter or any other provision of the Municipal Code is a nuisance, and any sign so placed may be removed summarily and disposed of by the City; and
- e. Political and special event signs are placed no more than 60 days prior to the event and are removed within 10 days after the conclusion of the political campaign or event to which they relate. A sign that is not removed will be removed by the City at the expense of the political candidate or organization involved.

**Please note that campaign signs may not be posted on utility poles or in the public right-of-way.**