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§255 Definitions

Political Signs. Any sign that advocates for political action.

§259 Signs Which Do Not Require a Permit

No permit is necessary for these signs, provided they are not prohibited as defined in §257 and provided that they comply with the conditions herein described. Signs permissible as per this section shall not be considered in determining total sign area. However, if a sign exceeds the size or in any other way does not comply with these limitations it shall be subject to all other provisions in this ordinance.

- (a) Political signs as defined in §255 and subject to the following conditions.
 - (1) Signs located in the right-of-way of the State highway system shall be in accordance with §136-32 of the North Carolina General Statutes and regulated and enforced by the North Carolina Department of Transportation.
 - (2) Signs located in the right-of-way of Town maintained streets shall be in accordance with the following and regulated and enforced by the Town of Siler City Department of Planning and Community Development:
 - (a) Signs may be placed during the period beginning on the thirtieth (30th) day before the beginning date of "one-stop" early voting, primary elections, or election day and removed on the tenth (10th) day after the primary or election day,
 - (b) The permittee must obtain the permission of any property owner of a residence, business, or religious institution fronting the right-of-way where a sign would be erected.
 - (c) No sign shall be closer than three (3) feet from the edge of the pavement of the road.
 - (d) No sign shall obscure motorist visibility at an intersection.
 - (e) No sign shall be higher than forty two (42) inches above the edge of the pavement of the road.
 - (f) No sign shall be larger than eight (8) square feet (864 square inches).
 - (g) No sign shall obscure or replace another sign.
 - (h) No signs shall be placed on public utility poles, telephone poles, parking meter poles or any other sign or sign support structure erected by a duly constituted governmental body.
 - (3) Signs located outside of the right-of-way shall be in accordance with the following and are regulated and enforced by the Town of Siler City Department of Planning and Community Development:
 - (a) Signs may be placed during the period beginning on the thirtieth (30th) day before the beginning date of "one-stop" early voting, primary elections, or election day and removed on the tenth (10th) day after the primary or election day.
 - (b) The permittee must obtain the permission of any property owner of a residence, business, or religious institution where a sign would be erected.

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- (c) No sign shall obscure motorist visibility at an intersection.
- (d) No signs shall be placed on roofs nor painted on roofs.
- (e) Portable signs, as defined in this section, shall not be allowed for political use.
- (f) Any political sign which is determined to be a hazard or infringement to the public health, safety and welfare is prohibited.
- (g) The size of such sign shall not exceed thirty two (32) square feet in area.
- (h) No sign shall obscure or replace another sign.
- (i) The signs may not be illuminated.