



# Guidelines for Political Signs

**DEFINITION:** Political signs are temporary signs used to support or oppose a candidate or ballot measure, or to encourage citizens to vote.

**TIME FRAME:** Primary Election Signs may be installed no earlier than May 30<sup>th</sup> and removed by September 12<sup>th</sup> and General Election Signs may be installed no earlier than August 8<sup>th</sup> and removed by November 21<sup>st</sup>.

**LOCATION:** Political signs are allowed in all zoning districts, but there are limitations on where they may be placed.

Political Signs are **NOT PERMITTED** in the following locations:

- Sites that are **hazardous to public safety**, e.g. obscuring traffic control signs, limiting road visibility, blocking sidewalks, hanging over or placed in the roadway
- In City rights-of-way within the Sports Complex Commercial Tourism Zone
- Within 30 feet of the curbs at an intersection (site visibility triangles)
- In medians or traffic circles within roadways
- On City-owned structures such as traffic signals, light poles, and municipal buildings
- Where they interfere with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements.

**SIZE:** When located on in the City right-of-way along Local or Rural classified roadways in Residential Zoning Districts , political signs may be a maximum of 16 square feet in sign area. Political signs in all other locations may be a maximum of 32 square feet in sign area.

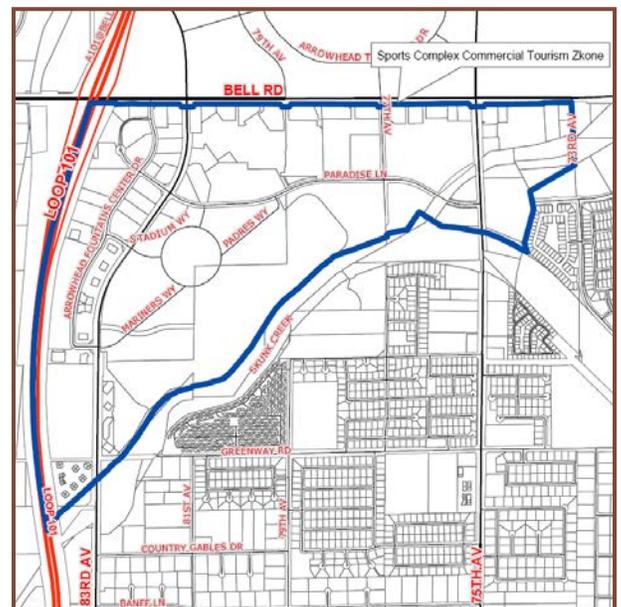
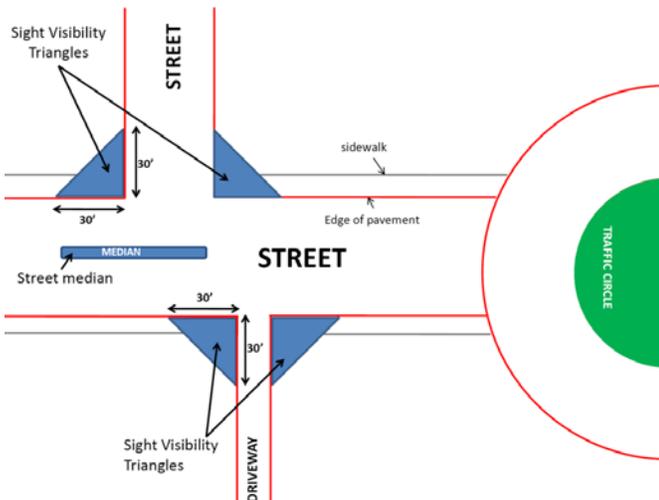
**HEIGHT:** Political signs may be a maximum of 7 feet in height. All free-standing political signs shall be constructed to meet Arizona Sign Association sign standards.

**RESPONSIBLE PARTIES:** The parties responsible for the installation or distribution of a political sign are jointly and severally liable for its removal. All political signs must contain the name and telephone number of the candidate or campaign committee contact person on the sign itself.

**REGULATIONS:** Complete sign regulations are described in Article 14-34 of the City of Peoria Zoning Ordinance. The Zoning Ordinance may be viewed online at [www.peoriaaz.gov/planning](http://www.peoriaaz.gov/planning). Additional sign regulations may apply to properties governed by HOAs.

**KNOW WHAT'S BELOW:** Get utility markings before installing political signs by contacting Arizona811 at [www.arizona811.org](http://www.arizona811.org) or by calling 602-659-7500.

**SPORTS COMPLEX COMMERCIAL TOURISM ZONE:** Political signs may not be placed within City right-of-ways within the Sports Complex Commercial Tourism Zone. Political Signs may still be placed on private property within this zone, with the property owner's permission.



**The City right-of-way is the City controlled area in and along roadways.** It contains the paved portion of the road and curbs and often includes some or all of the sidewalk, where present.

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