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**Posting of Political Signs**

During this time of year it is important to keep in mind the laws regarding placement of political signs. **Political Signs may not be posted until on or after April 1, 2018.**

Section 50-103 of the City Code states: “Political Campaign Signs. Signs announcing candidates seeking public political office or pertinent political issues. Such signs shall be confined to private property and shall be placed no sooner than forty-five (45) days prior to an election and shall be removed within ten (10) days following the election to which they pertain.”

Section 3-607 of the City Code states: “It shall be unlawful for any candidate for any public office, or for any person, or persons, firm or corporation acting for or on his/her behalf with or without his/her express direction or knowledge, to fasten or attach in any manner whatsoever any political and campaign signs, poster, advertisement or notice, or cause the same to be done, upon any curb stone or upon any portion of any sidewalk or street, or upon any tree, post, pole, hydrant, bridge, pier or other structure within the limits or upon the corporate property of the City.”

City of Kearney regulations prohibit placement of advertising signs on utility poles, traffic controllers, traffic signs, and trees. It is also prohibited for anyone to place a sign, poster, or notice of any kind in the street right-of-way or on any other structure located in the right-of-way. A good standard is to keep signs to the inside of a sidewalk or fifteen (15) feet from the roadside.

Signs that are hung on utility poles, traffic signs, or traffic lights create a safety risk and also may cause damage. They also create a traffic hazard when placed on roadside corners by distracting drivers or blocking the view of motorists. Even small signs stuck into the ground are a potential traffic hazard if located in the right-of-way.

We are asking for your cooperation and compliance with the above regulations.

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