



City of Jasper

Greetings Candidate:

Advertising is part of campaigning. Your assistance in placing all signs properly is needed. The Code Enforcement officer is charged with enforcing City codes and State laws regulating locations where political signs can be placed. The regulations are detailed below to assist you. Be aware that signs placed improperly will be removed.



Locations where signs cannot be placed:

1) **Anywhere on City of Jasper property** – City Ordinance prohibits political signs from being placed on any City property.....*However, effective September 1, 2013*, Texas Election Code Section 61.003 allowed posting of political signs on property used for a polling place owned by the City, but the City “may enact reasonable regulations concerning the time, place, and manner of electioneering”. For this reason, the City of Jasper **will allow**:

a) posting of signs outside the 100 foot Distance Marker on City property being used for a polling place (i.e. at City Hall) **only during the hours the polls are open**. This means any signs posted will need to be removed when polls close each day during Early Voting and on Election Day. Any signs left after this time will be removed by the City’s Code Enforcement Officer or his designee.

But the City of Jasper will NOT allow:

- b) placement of tents or other temporary structures to be placed on City property at any time;
 - c) electioneering that interferes with the flow of traffic entering and/or exiting the parking lot at City Hall. Stopping the flow of traffic on the street is a safety hazard to you and to motorists and their passengers. Also, we would like to remind you that in addition to City Hall being a polling place, it is also a place of business and the parking lot on the east side of City Hall should be reserved for voters and customers.
- 2) **In public rights-of-way** – State Law and City Ordinance prohibit signs from being placed along streets in the right-of-way [*a general rule of thumb is to place signs farther away from the street than utility poles, street signs and fire plugs – with the permission of the property owner*];
- 3) **On any street, sidewalk or alley;**
- 4) **On utility poles;**
- 5) **On traffic signs and/or signals or anywhere that obscures or interferes with the effectiveness of an official traffic sign or signal;**
- 6) **Any location that obstructs or interferes with the view of a driver** of approaching, merging or intersecting traffic by preventing vision from a distance of 250-feet;

Contact Code Enforcement Officer Derrick Boykin if you have questions or concerns. He can be reached at City Hall at 409-384-4651. Your assistance in properly locating signs is appreciated.

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