

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Signs of the times

The election is over, but the visible signs of the election will continue on for months. I'm all for political signs, but current sign laws should be updated to reflect the following:

Before you place a campaign sign on a property, you are required to obtain written permission from the property owner. We helped with six candidates and three council races this year and we got permission from property owners for each sign location secured for them. At one of the locations I manage, only three candidates had permission to display signs. Several others felt entitled to place their signs there with total disregard for the property owner's right to choose which candidates to support.

Don't tack signs onto somebody else's and don't put a sign in front of an opponent's.

Clean up your signs after the election. Local governments should enforce requirements for sign removal and candidates who do not have their signs picked up by the deadline should be subject to a daily fine for each sign that remains.

Candidates should be required to provide proof of liability for signs that are not properly secured.

I challenge candidates, both winners and losers, to clean up their signs. The rest of us are tired of looking at them.

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