Electioneering Regulations

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Background

- Last Amendment May 2024
 - Limited size, type and posting methods
 - Defined "premises"
 - Sign removal from polling location required within 48-hours
- After each election cycle, the Code Compliance Team evaluates the performance of current regulations and evaluates feedback regarding potential amendments
- Current regulations successfully limited issues experienced in previous election cycles
- John and Judy Gay Library remains the polling location with the most activity
- Staff has received feedback requesting the consideration of:
 - Allowing the holding 2 signs of the appropriate size
 - Limiting the number of signs per campaign allowed at polling locations on city property



Increase the number of campaign signs that may be held by an electioneer

McKinney: Allows the holding of one, 2'x2' sign

Plano: No restrictions on holding signs

Allen: No restrictions on holding signs

Frisco: No restrictions on holding signs

Collin

College: Signs can be held or staked into the ground (no T-posts)





Restrict the number of signs a campaign may post at a polling location on city-owned property

McKinney: No restrictions on the number posted

Plano: No restrictions on the number posted

Allen: Restricts sign postings to 4 per person

Frisco: No restrictions on the number

Collin

College: Restricts signs to 5 per campaign, includes held signs





Next Steps:

Ordinance Amendments, if warranted, will be brought forward to the October 21 City Council meeting for consideration and action.



Council Direction Requested:

- Should the ordinance be modified to allow the holding of two signs instead of one?
- If ordinance amendment is desired, when should it become effective?
 - As soon as possible, or
 - After the upcoming November election cycle concludes?



Questions?

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