

Campaign Advertising

Under the *Safety Codes Act (Electrical & Communication Utility System of the Province of Alberta)*, electrical utility poles and structures shall be kept free of all materials not required for the system.

Action may be taken against candidates or their agents who deface utility poles with election campaign literature.

Information from Alberta Transportation on recommended practices for election campaign signs located within highway Right of Ways can be found at the following link:

http://www.transportation.alberta.ca/Content/docType233/Production/14Election_SignsRevMar2012.pdf

Excerpts from City of Lacombe Traffic Bylaw 223

501(1) No person shall place or cause to be placed any handbill or other advertising matter on or in a vehicle without the permission of the owner or the person in charge of the vehicle.

(2) Subsection (1) applies whether the vehicle is on a highway or on any public or privately owned property.

NOTE: A sign development permit is not required for election/campaign signs, considered Class 1 signs in Land Use Bylaw 400. Maximum size for signs 2 metres from the edge of pavement on highway rights-of-way is one and one half square metres. For signs located on private property, there is no size restriction.

NOTE: ALL campaign signs must be away from sidewalks and not within sight triangles of road intersections.

NOTE: Campaign signs are permitted on public properties. If campaign signs are placed on private property, the candidate should obtain prior permission from the private property owner.

NOTE: *During the operation of advance polls, candidates are prohibited by the City of Lacombe from posting or distributing advertising materials or otherwise engaging in election-related activities on City Administration Office property. (Map)[City Hall Lands Forbidden Election Sign Posting.pdf](#)*

NOTE: *On Election Day, candidates are prohibited by the City of Lacombe from posting or distributing advertising materials or otherwise engaging in election-related*

activities on Lacombe Memorial Centre property. [LMC Lands Forbidden Election Sign Posting.pdf](#)

NOTE: Advertising materials may be posted after registering with the City by submitting Form 3A and must be removed within 72 hours from the close of Election Day (by 8:00 p.m. October 19, 2017)

Excerpts from the Local Authorities Election Act

Advertisement distribution

152(1) Subject to subsection (2), a person who, on election day,

- (a) displays inside or on the outside of a building used for a voting station, or
- (b) distributes within a building used for a voting station,

an advertisement, handbill, placard, poster, circular, pamphlet, newspaper or other paper except those posted by the deputy in accordance with this Act is guilty of an offence and liable to a fine of not more than \$500.

(2) Where a person displays an advertisement, handbill, placard, poster, circular, pamphlet, newspaper or other paper contrary to subsection (1), the deputy may cause it to be removed, and neither the deputy nor any person acting under the deputy's instructions is liable for trespass or damages resulting from or caused by the removal.

Interference with posted documents

153 A person who, without authorization, takes down, covers up, mutilates, defaces or alters any notice or other document required to be posted under this Act is guilty of an offence and liable

- (a) if the person is an officer, to a fine of not more than \$1,000, and
- (b) in any other case, to a fine of not more than \$200.