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**CAMPAIGN SIGN REGULATIONS
2023 MUNICIPAL ELECTION
September 12, 2023**

Permitted Dates

- Campaign signs may be placed in Cape Carteret beginning on Tuesday, September 19.
- Campaign signs should be removed as soon as possible after the election on Tuesday, November 7, and no later than Friday, November 17.

Permitted Campaign Signs – Size, Height, and Placement

- Regulations apply to all private property in the Cape Carteret town limits, and all Town streets, NC 58, NC 24, and Taylor Notion Road.
- Permission is required from the private property owner for placement on the private property and/or the adjacent street or road right of way.
- Campaign signs should not exceed 6 sq. ft. in size.
- Maximum campaign sign height is 42 inches.
- There is no limit to the number of campaign signs on or adjacent to a property, however, signs should not obscure or replace another sign located on or adjacent to the property.
- Campaign signs should be located at least 3 feet from the edge of the street or road pavement.
- Campaign signs should not block motorist visibility at an intersection.
- No signs may be placed on public utility poles.

Campaign Sign Enforcement

- Town staff will initially assume that the private property owner has granted permission for placement of campaign signs on private property or the adjacent street right of way.
- Town staff will remove campaign signs if the private property owner reports that he / she

has not granted permission for campaign signs on the private property or the adjacent street right of way.

- As of September 12, 2023, the Cape Point Homeowners Association has formally notified the Town that it does NOT grant permission for the placement of campaign signs along NC 24 adjacent to the Cape Point subdivision. Thus, campaign signs are not permitted anywhere along the south side of NC 24 between Yaupon Drive and Deer Creek. Any campaign signs placed in this area will be removed by Town staff.
- Campaign signs are NOT permitted on or adjacent to any property owned by the Town of Cape Carteret, including Town Hall, the Police Station, the Public Works facility, or any Town parks. As noted above, campaign signs are permitted on street right of ways provided the adjacent private property owner has granted permission.
- Town staff will remove any campaign signs that violate the time, size, height, or placement regulations outlined above.
- Town staff will store all confiscated campaign signs at Town Hall, which may be picked up by the candidate during normal business hours.

Town of Cape Carteret Right of Way Mowing Activities

- Public Works staff work hard to maintain attractive right of ways in Cape Carteret, and perform regular mowing activities on NC 58, NC 24, Taylor Notion Road, and other streets. Public Works staff may temporarily remove signs in the right of way only to complete mowing activities, and will reinstall the signs in the same location immediately after completion of mowing activities.

Questions or Concerns?

Please contact Town Planner Julie Shambaugh or Town Manager Frank Rush at 252-393-8483, or via email at jshambaugh@capecarteret.org or frush@capecarteret.org .