

CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON

ORDINANCE NO. 2342

AN ORDINANCE adding a new subsection relating to political signs to Bellevue City Code Section 22B.10.120 and Section 17.01.090 of Ordinance No. 1875, as amended.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON, DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. A new subsection E is hereby added to Bellevue City Code Section 22B.10.120 and to Section 17.01.090 of Ordinance No. 1875, as amended, to read as follows:

22B.10.120 Temporary and special signs

Temporary and special signs or displays are nonpermanent in nature and are intended for use only for a short period of time. The category includes any banner, pennant or advertising display constructed of canvas, fabric, wood, plastic or other semidurable material, with or without frame. Permissible signs, with applicable limitations, are as follows: . . .

E. Political Signs on Private Property Not a Headquarters

1. Signs, posters or bills promoting or publicizing candidates for public office or issues that are to be voted upon in a general or special election may be displayed on private property with the written consent of the property owner or tenant.

A campaign officer or responsible official, as recorded in the statement of organization required to be filed under RCW 42.17.040(2)(C) or as recorded by candidates for federal office with the Secretary of State, shall be responsible for obtaining the above consent statements and registering them, along with the addresses at which his/her signs, posters or bills are to be erected, with the Bellevue Planning Department.

Such signs, posters or bills shall be permitted only for a period of 60 days preceeding the election and for a period of seven days following such election, provided that signs, posters or bills promoting successful candidates in a primary election may remain displayed on private property until seven days following the immediately subsequent general election.

2. Removal of signs following election. Any such sign, poster or bill shall be removed within seven days following an election. It shall be the responsibility

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of the above campaign officer or responsible official to have the signs, posters or bills removed.

3. Political signs not allowed on public property. It is unlawful for any person to paste, paint, affix or fasten on any utility pole or on the sidewalk, roadway, or on any public building or structure any such sign, poster, bill or other advertising device when such facilities are located on public property or within public easements.
4. Public notices unaffected. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the placement of public notices required by law.
5. The display of any political sign in violation of 22B.10.120E, or any portion part thereof, shall be presumed to have been done at the direction and request of the campaign officer or responsible official.

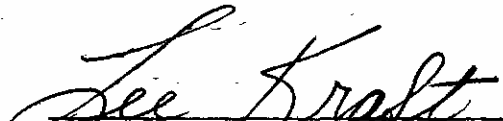
Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force on November 9, 1976.

PASSED by the City Council this 13 day of September, 1976, and signed in authentication of its passage this 13 day of September, 1976.

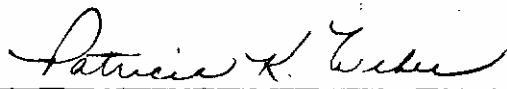
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Approved as to form:


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Attest:


Patricia K. Weber, City Clerk

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