

POLITICAL SIGN REGULATIONS – CITY OF ELK GROVE

Regulations pertaining to political signs are contained in Elk Grove Municipal Code, Title 23, Chapters 23.61 and 23.62, which is accessible in its entirety online at:

<http://www.codepublishing.com/CA/ElkGrove/>

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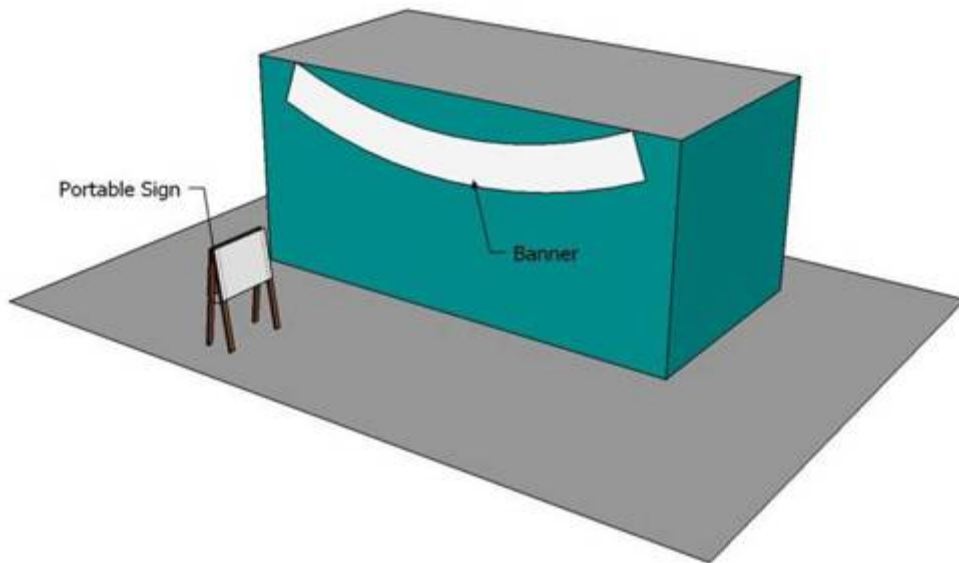
- No permit is required for standard, temporary, political signs. [EGMC 23.62.150]
- Political signs are defined as “non-commercial message signs” and “temporary signs” in the Elk Grove Zoning Code. [EGMC 23.100(N)(4)]; EGMC 23.100(T)(4)]
- There is no regulation in the Zoning Code specifying when political signs can be erected or must be removed; however, the size can be increased by an additional five (5 ft²) square feet during the time period beginning sixty (60) days before a special, general, or primary election, and ending seven (7) days after such election. [EGMC 23.62.150(B)]
- Political signs cannot be placed in the public right-of-way, on City property, or affixed to trees or utility poles. Ensure that signs do not distract motorists, obstruct, or otherwise impede traffic circulation. [EGMC 23.61.040; EGMC 23.62.010(D); EGMC 23.62.100(G)]
- The minimum setback distance is ten (10' 00”) feet from the public right-of-way. [EGMC 23.62.120(F)]
- No sign may be placed on private property without the consent of the property owner. [EGMC 23.62.050(K)]
- Political signs on buildings cannot obstruct any portion of a window, doorway, transom, or other architectural detail. [EGMC 23.62.110(G)(1)]
- Homeowners are allowed to place political signs in the windows of their property. [EGMC 23.62.050 (K)]
- The Planning Director is authorized to enforce the provisions of the Zoning Code. [EGMC 23.62.050(A)]

Any member of the public wishing to file a complaint about a Code violation should contact Code Enforcement at 916-687-3023.

Table 23.62-3
Temporary Sign Standards

Use Type	Maximum Temporary Number Permitted	Maximum Area	Maximum Height	Minimum Setback from ROW
Commercial uses, building signs	1/establishment	36 sf. each	Roofline	–
Commercial uses, freestanding signs	1/establishment	6 sf.	5 ft.	10 ft.
Auto dealerships and uses within the TC zoning district	3/establishment	36 sf. each	10 ft.	10 ft.
Office and industrial uses	3/establishment	10 sf. each	10 ft.	10 ft.
Permitted uses in the open space zoning district	1/establishment	10 sf.	8 ft.	10 ft.
Noncommercial and public/quasi-public uses	2/use	5 sf. total	5 ft.	10 ft.

Figure 23.62-8
Temporary Sign Types



Notes: See EGMC Section [23.62.140](#) for development standards for these types of signs; not all allowed permitted temporary signs are shown.

Figure 23.62-5
Allowed Locations for Building Signs

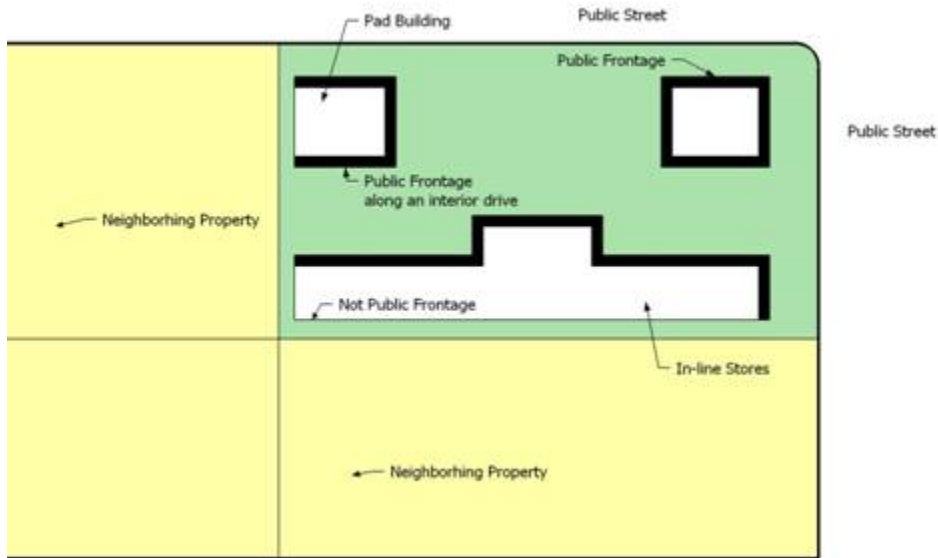
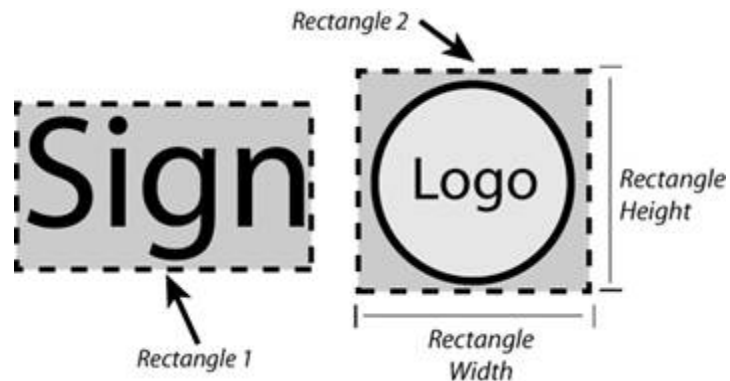


Figure 23.62-3
Measurement of Sign Area



Sign area is calculated by drawing an imaginary box around all writing and figures with a maximum of five (5) simple rectangles and calculating the area of each rectangle using standard mathematical formulas, then (when the sign is composed of channel letters) taking seventy-five (75%) percent of that calculation (e.g., seventy-five (75%) percent x (height x width) = sign area).