



**POLITICAL SIGN APPLICATION** Permit No. \_\_\_\_\_

PURSUANT TO CITY OF RUIDOSO MUNICIPAL CODE §155.108 and §155.110

**CONTACT INFORMATION:**

**Name of Applicant:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Applicant Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY**

Application Accepted by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Receipt Number Issued: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

Removal of Signs Verified by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Refund Purchase Requisition Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**DO NOT forget to call before you dig! Dial 811**

**CITY OF RUIDOSO DOWNS**  
**APPLICATION FOR PERMITTING POLITICAL SIGNS**  
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\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant or Political Chairman

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address and Telephone Number

# Political Sign Permits

1. There is a refundable fee of \$50.00 for a political sign permit
2. The applications are in the file slot with the sign permit folder.
3. Political signs cannot be put up earlier than 45 days prior to the election and shall be removed 10 days after the election.
4. After the election and Code Enforcement has checked that all signs have been removed, do a purchase requisition and give it to Jim for review and he will then give it to Tim for the refund of the sign deposit. He will mail the refund. Go to: PNZ (N), search department forms in file in the share drive to see example.

## Things to Know

After you receipt any money in cash or check, give money and receipt book to whom ever is working the front desk.

**September 24, 2014**

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Press Release

## **Campaign Signs and Highway Right-of-Ways**

**Santa Fe- Santa Fe** - The New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) wants to remind political campaigns about the public safety issue regarding placing campaign signs and posters in state highway right-of-ways.

State highway right-of-ways mean all roads, patrol yards and rest areas owned, controlled or maintained by the NMDOT. The term "road" means the entire width of the right of way, including, but not limited to travel lanes, roadside, shoulder, median, ditches, culverts, ramps, turnouts and easements.

Signs in these areas are a public safety issue because they can impede a driver's visibility as well as distract them from existing legal traffic signs.

Signs and posters placed in state highway right-of-ways will be removed by the NMDOT and stored at the department's district headquarters or at the local patrol yard for no longer than two weeks where they can be retrieved during normal business hours.

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lien upon the property and may be filed with the county clerk in the manner that municipal liens are filed.

(E) In addition, any person who violates any provision of this subchapter shall be punished by a fine as provided in § 155.135, except that notice and penalty for violation of § 155.105(A)(10) pertaining to banners shall be as provided below:

(1) First violation: Warning and order for immediate removal.

(2) Second violation: Citation issued, each day constitutes a separate violation with penalty of a minimum of \$25 per day.

(3) Third and successive violations: Citation issued, each day constitutes a separate violation with penalty of a minimum of \$50 per day plus the loss of allowable days in the current and the successive year.

(F) Nonconforming or illegal signs required to be removed shall be deemed to be amortized after the expiration of the time period specified under § 155.107(F). The amortization period shall equal just compensation for constitutional and statutory purposes.

(G) Signs placed in the public right-of-way in violation of this subchapter may be removed by the Code Enforcement Officer. Such signs shall be disposed of or destroyed if not claimed within 15 days of removal.

(1988 Code, § 9-10-166)

### **§ 155.110 ADVERTISEMENT ON PUBLIC PROPERTY.**

(A) It shall be unlawful to tack or place any sign, bill, banner, poster or advertisement of any nature in the public right-of-way except as provided under this subchapter.

(B) Political signs may be located in the public right-of-way for periods specified under § 155.107(F). Applications for such sign permits shall be submitted to the City Clerk. The size of the sign is limited as to size under § 155.107(F). Signs shall be maintained as specified under § 155.104(C). Signs for the same candidate shall be spaced a minimum of 300 feet apart and shall be no closer than ten feet from signs for another candidate. No political sign shall be placed on or adjacent to public parks, buildings or facilities. Signs placed in any sight line triangle shall not exceed 30 inches in height nor be closer than ten feet from edge of pavement. Signs shall not distract or interfere with traffic control signs. Each candidate shall be responsible for removing their signs within ten days after the election.

(C) No such permit shall be issued unless a permit fee is paid and there is deposited with the City Clerk the sum as set from time to time and listed in the fee schedule in Appendix A to this Code, which is on file in the City offices and incorporated herein by reference. The deposit sum shall be returned to the applicant if the applicant causes all such signs, posters or advertisements to be removed within the time prescribed by this subchapter. If such applicant does not cause the removal of such signs, posters or advertisements within such time, then the deposit shall be forfeited to the City. The permit fee is not refundable.

(D) The provisions of this subchapter shall not apply to notices posted by order of court or notices to the public required by law to be posted in a public place.

(1988 Code, § 9-10-167)

### **HOME OCCUPATIONS**

#### **§ 155.120 GENERALLY.**

A home occupation is an accessory use of a dwelling unit, conducted entirely within the dwelling unit, carried on by one or more persons, all of whom reside within the dwelling unit, and where no persons