Zoning Regulations

1. Per Atascadero Municipal Code, Title 9, Chapter 15, political campaign signs in the City of Atascadero must conform to a number of regulations.

2. Campaign signs are considered Temporary Non-Commercial signs §9-15.008(a)(20).

3. A maximum of one campaign sign is permissible on private commercial property and may not exceed a cumulative sign area of 32 square feet in size. The maximum height for signs is five feet.

4. A maximum of one campaign yard sign is permissible on private residential property with a maximum allowable sign area of six square feet per sign. The maximum height for signs is five feet.

5. Time period. Temporary non-commercial signs may be displayed by or with the permission of the property owner for a maximum of 9 months.

6. Campaign signs are prohibited in the public right-of-way. Additional prohibitions include but are not limited to:
   
   a) Roof signs §9-15.006(e).
   b) Snipe signs or any other sign attached to a tree, utility pole, fence post, etc. §9-15.006(f).
   d) Mobile signs §9-15.006(g).
   e) Inflatable signs §9-15.006(h).

7. Campaign signs will only be placed on properties where a candidate/committee have received permission from the property owner/responsible party. Campaign signs may NOT be placed in the public right-of-way between the private property and the public road. (see No. 8 below).

8. Campaign signs will not be placed on any City owned or leased property including, but not limited to, City Hall, Police Department, Fire Department, Sunken Gardens, Lake Park, and Paloma Creek Park. An exception to this would be temporary signs during a specific event.

9. Signs that constitute a traffic hazard, and therefore are a nuisance, are subject to abatement.

Please contact the Community Development Department at (805) 461-5035 for information about sign regulations.