

ORDINANCE NO. 04-11-22-A

AN ORDINANCE OF HAMILTON COUNTY CONCERNING REPLACEMENT AND
REMOVAL OF POLITICAL SIGNS FROM POLLING PLACES

WHEREAS, the Clerk of Hamilton County, ("the Clerk") has the duty to organize and manage elections within Hamilton County ("the County"); and,

WHEREAS, the Clerk works diligently to find locations for the various polling places within the County; and,

WHEREAS, many of the owners of the locations within the County used as polling places have complained about the number of candidate signs at all of the County polling places; and,

WHEREAS, many candidate signs are placed at polling places long before, and remain at, the polling place after the polls are closed; and,

WHEREAS, many of the signs at polling places are abandoned and never removed from the polling place.

IT IS THEREBY ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Hamilton County as follows:

1. Each candidate shall not have more than one sign per candidate on Election Day.
2. Each candidate shall have no more than two signs per location for each early voting locations during the days the early voting centers are open.
3. No signs may be larger than 36 x 24.
4. No sign may be placed in the public right of way.
5. No signs may be placed at a polling place earlier than twelve (12) hours before the polling place opens and must be removed by the owner of the sign or representative within 4 hours of polling location closing on Election Day.
6. No sign will be placed with metal or wood post. Only signs with wires can be placed at the polling sites.

7. Signs removed due to an excess number at a polling place or remaining at the polling place more than four (4) hours after the polls close may be removed and destroyed by the owner of the polling place and either stacked, or destroyed, with no liability to the candidate or any of the candidate's representative.
8. The owner of the land where the poll is located may prohibit all candidate signs at the polling place at all time and remove and stack the signs at the polling place.

ALL OF WHICH IS ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Hamilton
County on the 11th day of April, 2022.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF HAMILTON COUNTY

Steven C. Dillinger

Mark Heirbrandt

Christine Altman

ATTEST:

Robin M. Mills, Auditor