



**CITY OF TUCSON
2015 PRIMARY AND GENERAL ELECTIONS
CAMPAIGN FINANCE ADMINISTRATION**

INFORMATION UPDATE 2015-04

TO: Candidates, Political Parties and Political Committees

FROM: 
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From time to time, this office distributes information regarding campaign finance and other election-related issues that may be of interest to you. We encourage you to contact the City Clerk's Office with any questions you have regarding these issues.

Seventy-Five Foot Limit – ELECTIONEERING

Pursuant to the Tucson City Code, the following information relating to Electioneering will be enforced at the Voting Locations:

Sec. 12-25. Prohibited electioneering within seventy-five (75) feet of city voting locations or sites where mail ballots may be cast.

(a) Electioneering occurs when an individual knowingly, intentionally, by verbal expression and in order to induce or compel another person to vote in a particular manner or refrain from voting expresses support for or opposition to a candidate who appears on the ballot, a ballot question that appears on the ballot, or a political party with one or more candidates who appear on the ballot in that election.

(b) There shall be no electioneering within the seventy-five (75) foot limit of any city voting location as posted by the election marshal, or within seventy-five (75) feet of the main outside entrance to any city voting location or site where mail ballots may be cast.

(c) An election official, a representative of a political party who has been appointed by the county chairman of that political party or a challenger who is authorized by law to be within the seventy-five (75) foot limit, shall not wear, carry or display materials that identify or express support for or opposition to a candidate, a political party or organization, a ballot question or any other political issue and shall not electioneer within the seventy-five (75) foot limit of a voting location.

Sec. 12-26. Limits on permitted activities within the seventy-five (75) foot limit.

(a) Permitted materials means written or printed material or items that express support for or opposition to a candidate who appears on the ballot in that election, a ballot question that appears

on the ballot in that election or a political party with one or more candidates who appear on the ballot in that election.

(1) Permitted materials must be displayed prior to the opening of the voting location. No additional materials will be allowed after 6:00 a.m.

(2) No permitted materials may be displayed inside the physical voting location itself.

(3) Permitted materials may only be displayed inside the seventy-five (75) foot limit in the area marked by city clerk staff prior to Election Day.

(4) Displays in this area must comply with the following:

a. signs posted in this area shall not exceed four (4) square feet;

b. prevent any interference with or danger to the movement of voters or city clerk election staff going into and out of the voting location;

c. provide equal access to all candidates, campaigns or other persons wishing to display permitted materials;

(5) Permitted materials displayed inside the seventy-five (75) foot limit must be secured to prevent accidental dispersion or scattering. If the volume, concentration, or positioning of materials is deemed to create a potential hazard to the movement of persons, city clerk elections staff shall have the right to reposition the materials.

(6) Any permitted material left or found inside the seventy-five (75) foot limit, and not located in the designated area, will be removed by city clerk election staff.

(b) No photography or videography by any means will be allowed within the voting location itself. Permitted activities occurring within the seventy-five (75) foot limit shall NOT do any of the following:

(1) Obstruct electors from entering or leaving the area provided for balloting.

(2) Impede orderly balloting.

(3) Otherwise interfere with the rights of electors.

Should you have any questions regarding the information contained in this update, please contact me or Suzanne Mesich, Assistant City Clerk, at 791-4213 or e-mail cityclerk@tucsonaz.gov.