

<b>Subject:</b>	Election Signs on Designated Public Property or Rights-of-way		
<b>Policy Number:</b>	VW-O-249		
<b>Issue Date:</b>	September 10, 2021	<b>Revised Date:</b>	June 2022
<b>Effective Date:</b>	October 1, 2022		

**I. Purpose**

To establish standards for the placement or posting of non-commercial, election-related postings (“Election Signs”) on designated public property or rights-of-way prior to scheduled elections, referendums, or similar activities affecting the residents, businesses, and property owners in the Village of Wellington.

**II. Authority**

Article VIII, section 2 of the State constitution, F.S. Ch. 166, and all other applicable laws.

**III. Policy**

The Village of Wellington provides temporary, designated locations on public property and/or rights-of-way for the posting of Election Signs prior to scheduled elections, referendums, or similar activities affecting the residents, business, and property owners in the Village of Wellington.

**IV. Postings on Designated Public Property or Rights-of-way: Standards**

The standards for posting Election Signs on designated public property or rights-of-way include:

1. *Placement.* Election Signs on public property or rights-of-way may be located only within the areas designated by Wellington. Election Signs installed outside the designated areas shall be removed by Wellington. The Election Signs shall be placed within areas designated and roped off by Wellington at the following locations (see attached maps; Exhibit “A”):
  - a. Forest Hill Boulevard: At Stribling Way on the north and south side of Forest Hill Boulevard;
  - b. Forest Hill Boulevard: At the entrance to Wellington south of

Southern Boulevard on both sides of Forest Hill Boulevard;

- c. Big Blue Trace: At the entrances to Wellington on both sides of the road;
- d. Binks Forest Drive: At the entrances to Wellington on both sides of the road;
- e. Lake Worth Road: At the entrances to Wellington on both sides of the road.

Once an Election Sign is posted, an Election Sign for another candidate/issue may not be placed directly above or below the first sign. Election Signs that have been posted above or below another Election Sign will be removed by Wellington.

- 2. *Size.* Election Signs shall not exceed sixteen (16) square feet in area and six (6) feet in height including supports. Election Signs exceeding this limit will be removed by Wellington.
- 3. *Number.* No more than two (2) Election Signs bearing the same message (candidate/issue/etc.) shall be installed in each designated area. Election Signs may include copy on both sides. An Election Sign with copy on both sides is considered one (1) Election Sign. Election Signs exceeding these limits will be removed by Wellington.
- 4. *Materials.* Election Signs shall be constructed of durable materials and installed with appropriate, freestanding, ground-mounted supports.
- 5. *Duration.* The designated areas for Election Signs shall be available for posting 15 days, including the election date, prior to an election. The designated areas shall be roped off by Wellington Public Works by 3:00 PM, 15 days prior to the election date. Election Signs must be removed within 48 hours of the close of the election. Election Signs remaining after 48 hours shall be removed by Wellington.
- 6. *Signs Removed by Wellington.* Signs removed by Wellington may be collected at the Wellington Public Works complex on Pierson Road. Wellington does not have any responsibility to maintain signs removed in a good or secure condition and may dispose of signs at the discretion of the Public Works Director or designee.
- 7. *Hazards.* If the Village Manager, or designee, determines that weather or emergent conditions occur or are projected to occur that may result in Election Signs becoming a hazard, removal may be ordered.

Wellington shall attempt to give notice advising of the removal. Wellington does not have any responsibility to maintain removed Election Signs in a good or secure condition and may dispose of such signs. Wellington will advise when Election Signs will be permitted to be reinstalled after the conditions have been determined to be safe.

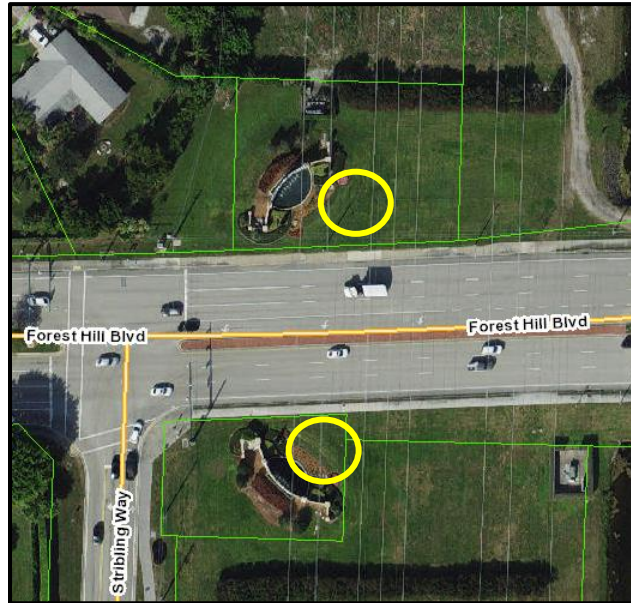
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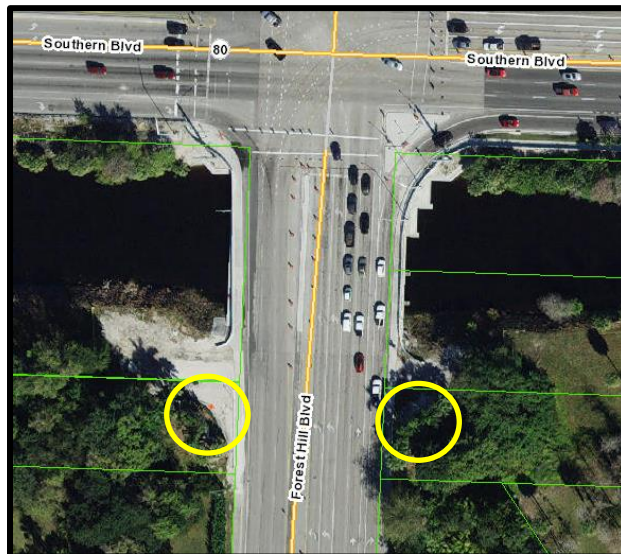
## Exhibit "A" Designated Areas

The Election Signs shall be placed within areas designated and roped off by Wellington in the following approximate locations:

**Forest Hill Boulevard:** At Stribling Way on the north and south side of Forest Hill Boulevard.

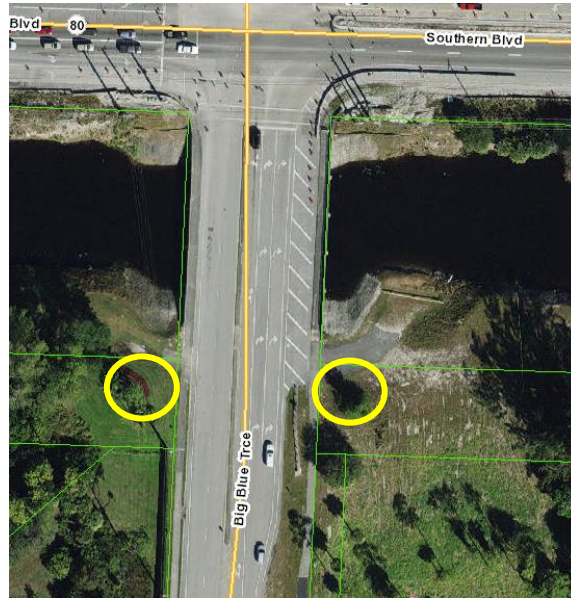


**Forest Hill Boulevard:** South of Southern Boulevard on the east and west side of Forest Hill Boulevard.

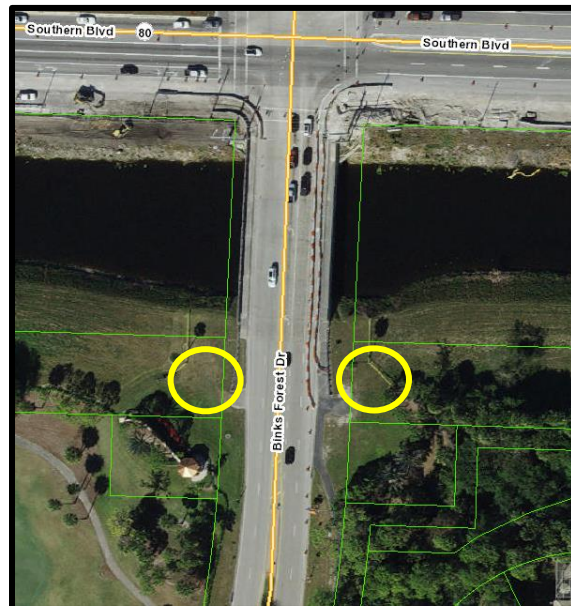




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