ARTICLE I. - IN GENERAL

Sec. 58-2. - Signs on right-of-way.

It shall be unlawful for any person to erect, place or maintain a sign within, on, across or over any public property or public right-of-way except as expressly allowed in this article. This section does not apply to signs placed or erected by a governmental agency or by order of a court.

Sec. 58-3. - Signs on public property.

- a) *Placement of signs*. Signs may be placed on public property only if in compliance with this article.
- b) *Duration*. Signs may be placed on public property where voting is occurring beginning the day before the early voting period commences for any public election and ending three days following the day the public election is held.
- c) Designated area. Signs may be placed on public property within the designated area and in any event no closer than 100 feet from where early voting and regular voting for public elections is being conducted in the designated area.
- d) *Sign size*. The maximum size of signs allowed under this section may not exceed thirty-two square feet. However, the size or location of a sign of any size shall not create an obstruction to a person's reasonable right to access the voting polling place.
- e) Removal of signs. Signs that are not erected in compliance with the time limits or in the designated area as set forth in this section may be removed by city personnel and discarded or destroyed.
- f) *Unauthorized removal*. Any unauthorized persons removing signs allowed under this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to a fine as provided in section 1-8 of this Code.
- g) Definitions. For purposes of this section, the following definitions shall apply:

Designated area means the approximately 100 foot by 200 foot area of land near city hall depicted on a map kept at the office of the city secretary available to the public.

Early voting period means the period prescribed by V.T.C.A., Election Code § 85.001.

Public right-of-way means a street, alley or other thoroughfare or easement permanently established for passage of persons, vehicles or the location of utilities.

Public property means all public property except public right-of-way as defined herein.

Canopy means a protective covering, often of canvas, mounted on a free-standing frame.

- h) *Prohibitions*. Nothing herein shall authorize or permit any person to erect a tent, or other structure, or similar item, not expressly authorized by this section, encumbering or encroaching on public property.
- i) *Canopies Permitted*. Temporary canopies will be allowed within the Designated Area only during voting hours and only if space permits. The size or location of a canopy shall not create an obstruction to a person's reasonable right to access the voting polling place. Any canopy found in violation of this ordinance may be removed by city personnel.

City of Jersey Village – Designated Electioneering Area



The designated electioneering area is located inside the grassy area marked above which DOES NOT include the grassy area along the sidewalk. See Jersey Village Code of Ordinance Section 58-3 for compliance.