## POLITICAL CAMPAIGN SIGNS

### Unlawful Removal or Vandalism of Campaign Signs:

- The removal, altering, defacing, or vandalizing of political signs is prohibited and a Class B misdemeanor.
- Candidates and their agents, people who placed the sign, property owners, and a public officer who moves the sign in accordance with their duties are exempt.

#### **Posting Signs on Public Property:**

No political sign shall be placed on public property or in any public right-of-way and may be subject to removal by the City of Saratoga Springs. Any signs placed along Redwood Road or SR 73 may be subject to removal by the Utah Department of Transportation. Please refer to the following map showing public property and right-of-way:

https://www.saratogaspringscity.com/DocumentCenter/View/4008/Signage-Area-Map-2019

#### **Posting Signs on Private Property:**

No permit is required. Political campaign signs must be placed on private property provided that such signs do not violate any other provisions pertaining to the placement of signs in the clear-site triangle (Saratoga Springs Development Code, Section 19.18). The City recommends that no signs be placed on private property without the consent of the property owner.

#### **Removal of Campaign Signs:**

It is respectfully requested campaign signs be removed no later than two weeks following the General Election, or two weeks following the Primary Election if a candidate is eliminated. Election signs are costly and can be used for a future election or donated to another candidate. This helps keep our City clean and visually beautiful.

#### **Permitted Signs**

One of the following is permitted on a residential lot for a cumulative total of six months in a calendar year: (Saratoga Springs Development Code, Section 19.18.07, 09, 10, 11 and 12):

- 1. Up to two temporary signs, each limited to four feet in height and six square feet in size, or
- 2. Multiple temporary signs, each limited to three feet in height, with the face area of all signs limited to a cumulative total of twelve square feet.

Lots in agricultural use that are vacant or under active development (Saratoga Springs Development Code, Section 19.18.08) may choose to utilize the following temporary signage in lieu of the temporary signage permitted by zone.

- a. Such parcels less than one acre in size are permitted a cumulative maximum of 32 square feet of total temporary signage per parcel, either in one or multiple signs, and maximum height of eight feet per sign.
- b. Such parcels ranging in size from one acre to twenty acres are permitted a cumulative maximum of 64 square feet of total temporary signage per parcel, either in one or multiple signs, and maximum height of eight feet per sign.

c. Parcels exceeding twenty acres in size are permitted up to a cumulative maximum of 96 square feet of total temporary signage per parcel, either in one or multiple signs, and maximum height of twelve feet per sign.

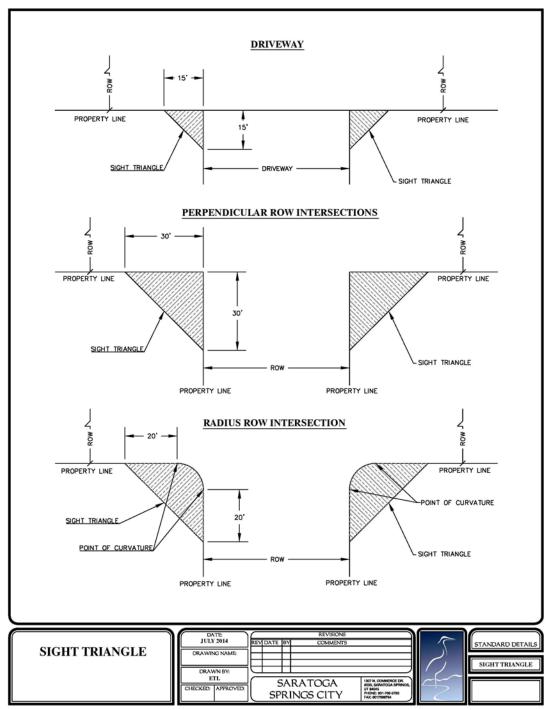
Banner Signs are allowed in the following zones: Institutional/Civic, Commercial, and Industrial, with the following guidelines. (Saratoga Springs Development Code, Section 19.18.09, 10, 11, and 12):

- 1. Banner signs shall only be permitted on a temporary basis.
- 2. Banner signs shall not exceed four feet in height and thirty-two square feet in size.
- 3. Banner signs shall be placed in a landscaped area or on a structure, and shall not be located within the clear sight triangle identified in Chapter 19.06.
- 4. Banner signs shall be limited to no more than one sign per business at any time, for a cumulative total of thirty days in a calendar year.

# General Guidelines for Sign Placement: (See Saratoga Springs Development Code, Section 19.18.06,)

- No sign shall be located on public property or within any right-of-way.
- No sign shall be designed or placed in any manner that may be confused with any official traffic sign or signal. No sign or other advertising structure shall be designed, constructed, or installed that by reason of its size, location, shape, coloring, or manner of illumination may be confused as a traffic control device.
- No part of any sign shall interfere with the use of any fire escape, exit, doorway, sidewalk, roadway, stairway, door ventilator, or window. No ground sign shall be located within any public utility easement.
- All temporary signs in front and street-side setbacks at least three feet from the back of the sidewalk or right-of-way, whichever is greater, and from all driveways a measured from the back of the curb. Signs shall be located a distance equal to or greater to their height from any interior side or rear property line.
- No sign shall be placed within the Clear Site Triangle as defined in City Code, (Saratoga Springs Development Code, Section 19.06) to allow for clear sight as shown in the graphic below, at all intersections of streets, driveways, or sidewalks, for a distance of twenty feet back from the point of curvature of curved right-of-ways and property lines or thirty feet back from the intersection of straight right-of-ways and property lines, whichever is greater, and fifteen feet back from edge of driveways.

# **Clear Site Triangles**



All areas inside an intersection including medians and roundabouts shall be considered a part of the clear vision triangles.

