

**CITY OF PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE**  
**BY-LAW NO. 11-8517**

A By-Law of the City of Portage la Prairie to control and govern the use of election signs within the City of Portage la Prairie;

WHEREAS it has been determined that a by-law is necessary to control and govern the use of election signage within the City of Portage la Prairie;

THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE IN SESSION DULY ASSEMBLED, HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. This by-law may be cited as the Election Sign By-Law.
2. Election means any public election of the City or Rural Municipality of Portage la Prairie, Portage la Prairie School Division, Province of Manitoba or Government of Canada.
3. In this by-law, unless the context otherwise requires that:
  - a) The size of election signs, posters, banners or placards to be posted on public right of ways cannot exceed 0.76 metres x 1.2 metres (2.5ft. x 4 ft.) in dimension.
  - b) Election campaign signs, posters, banners or placards cannot be posted within:
    - a. 3 metres (9.84ft.) of any entrance to a public laneway
    - b. 9 metres (29.58 ft) of a street intersection on a boulevard or median.
  - c) The placement of such signs, posters or placards cannot exceed 0.8 metres (2.6ft.) in height if posted on private properties within 2 meters (9.84ft) of a main intersection on any public street.
  - d) No signs, posters, banners or placards shall be posted on the center median of Saskatchewan Avenue
  - e) No signs, posters, banners or placards shall be posted on trees, public utility poles or traffic control devices.
  - f) Any election sign, poster, banner or placard which in the reasonable opinion of the R.C.M.P., Director of Operations or By-Law Enforcement Officer of the City is a safety hazard to any pedestrian or motorist can and will be removed by a member of the R.C.M.P. or city staff as directed by the Director of Operations or By-Law Enforcement Officer of the City.
  - g) All posted election signs, posters, banners or placards must be removed from all public right-of-ways and private lands within ten (10) days next following the date on which the election is held.

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- h) Failure to remove any election sign, poster, banner or placard will result in the candidate or agent being held responsible for all costs incurred by the City in the removal of the signs.
  - i) On Election Day all signs, posters, banners and placards must not be placed within 50 metres of a voting place. This measurement will be from the building and not from the property line of the site.
  - j) Mobile signs shall not be permitted on public property unless otherwise approved by the City of Portage la Prairie.
  - k) No flashing sign shall be permitted within 91.5 meters of any residential zone.
4. THAT any person, persons or corporation found violating any provisions of this Bylaw, shall be fined a sum of \$50.00 plus costs, or upon conviction before a Provincial Court Judge or Justice of the Peace, be liable for a penalty of not less than \$50.00 nor more than \$1,000.00 plus costs. In default of payment thereof, that person may be imprisoned in the common jail for a period not exceeding 90 days, unless the said penalty is sooner paid.

DONE AND PASSED IN COUNCIL DULY THIS 14th DAY OF March, 2011

[original signed by Earl Porter]  
Mayor

[original signed by Sharon Williams]  
Manager of Administration

Read a first time this 28<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2011

Read a second time this 14<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2011

Read a third time this 14<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2011