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On Nov 28, 2022, at 1:44 PM, Jaqui Everett wrote:

I sincerely object to the city council's Banning of Election signs.

First. **The signs are there for a purpose.** They tell us who's running for what. Not everyone is politically aware and signs are the only way they know who's running. Are we then supposed to look for that information ourselves? Many people will not do that. Consequently to ban them will probably reduce the number of people who vote.

Secondly **the signs are only up for about 3 weeks every 4 years.** That is 21 days out of 1460 or only 1.4% of a 4 year period when there is a municipal election. I fail to see the huge beautification of Brampton that banning municipal political signs will provide.

Thirdly **you do not have the right to interfere with a democratic election. Especially a provincial or federal election.**

I also believe you have no right to ban me from putting a political sign on my lawn. Therefore I will be putting elections signs on my lawn whenever I want to during election campaigns even if this motion is passed. I will definitely be interested to see what the city of Brampton will do about it.

In conclusion it is hard to believe that city council is spending time talking about something that happens (that is good for voters) only 1.4% of the time.

Why don't you just limit the size political signs can be?