

Weekender

Comment

Election signs are offensive

Something has to be done about election signs that aren't taken down after elections.

Not only are the signs unsightly, they are very inviting to vandals. The longer they are up, the more chance they will be battered by the weather thus becoming broken and waterlogged.

Some candidates are very conscientious in removing the unsightly signs. But others have been careless — leaving large numbers of signs standing along public roadsides and at major intersections.

Our suggestion is for the municipality in question to send out work crews two days after every election. They would remove whatever signs are still standing and the offending candidates would be charged for the costs of removing the signs.

It's a simple and effective way of dealing with a very real post-election problem.



Speaking Out:

Do you think the posting of election signs should be banned? (Asked on Stouffville's Main St. and Markham's Main St.)



Roger Wood
Musselman's Lake
Retired
"I think people should be allowed to put them up. I makes candidates more visible to the voters and helps their campaigns."



Polly Minton
Stouffville
Funeral Director
"Putting the signs up during an election is all right as long as they're all cleaned up when the election is over. The trouble is I don't think they will be."



Wesley McDermott
Unionville
Retired
"I definitely do think they should be banned. They make a disaster of the intersections and create a hazard for motorists. It would be another first for Markham."



Scott Magnish
Markham
IBM employee
"They don't serve much purpose when they're all cluttered together at intersections. They do let people know who the candidates are though."

Weekender Mailbag

Daurio a 'poop'

Dear Sir:

Stan Daurio is a 'poop' — in the true sense of the word. I would describe a poop as someone who comes in third place and then criticizes, condemns and bitterly attacks the person who comes in second.

Mr. Daurio stated that "Mr. Scarpitti's election was a great disaster" that will undermine the efficiency of Markham Council.

That is exactly how poops praise and congratulate their fellow colleagues, so Mr. Scarpitti should not be offended.

Poops also thank their constituents for their support by saying "In Thornhill if it rains, people don't vote."

Perhaps if Mr. Daurio had shown his true bitter and hostile nature prior to voting day, more people would have come out in the rain, in Thornhill, to vote against the poop.

I think Mr. Daurio placed a very fortunate third place on Regional

Council because Stan's not the man anymore. He's the poop.

B. MacRae

Markham

EDITOR'S NOTE: A subsequent recount showed that Bud Bonner polled 19 more votes than Mr. Daurio and thus nosed out the Thornhill resident for the third Regional Council seat.

Mystery woman

Dear Sir:

Through your paper I am trying to contact a lady I met several weeks ago regarding houseplants. We spoke at the cashier's desk at White Rose Garden Center in Unionville. She came to my home, but I did not get her name or address.

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