

## MountVernon

An Innovative Community; Authentically Hometown

## **NEWS ALERT: City Enforcing Yard Sign Ordinance**

Political, commercial and event signs cannot be placed on public property

MOUNT VERNON, January 18, 2024 – The City of Mount Vernon is notifying all candidates for elective office running in the March 19, 2024 primary election that the City is enforcing the location of all temporary yard signs placed within City limits of Mount Vernon per Codified Ordinance 503.02 (Advertising on Public Property).

According to the ordinance, signs cannot be placed on public or City-owned property. This includes City parks, the public right of way, tree lawns and on utility poles. Where a tree lawn is not present, signs must be placed a minimum of 10 feet from the street's edge. This ordinance applies to all political, event and commercial signs.

Any signs placed illegally will be confiscated without notice. Confiscated signs can be retrieved by calling Mount Vernon Code Enforcement at 740-393-9577.

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## ABOUT THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON:

The City of Mount Vernon is an innovative community with an authentic hometown feel. The City is dedicated to providing modern services with an emphasis on continual improvement, customer service and equitable laws that support our citizens and visitors, while retaining and attracting investors in our community. Home to 17,000 people, Mount Vernon is the county seat for Knox County and boasts historic buildings and districts as well as business and professional, educational and recreational opportunities through many adaptive reuses of the community's infrastructure and spaces. The City has strong ties to higher education, with Mount Vernon Nazarene University, Kenyon College and Central Ohio Technical College operating satellite locations in the historic downtown. Located 40 miles northeast of Columbus, Mount Vernon is near the geographic center of Ohio and has connections all over the globe.

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