

**From:** contactus@silverton.or.us <noreply@civicplus.com>

**Sent:** Sunday, March 23, 2025 11:11 PM

**To:** Macy Mulholland <mmulholland@silverton.or.us>

**Subject:** Westfield Street Signage

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**Name:** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

Message: I am a resident of Silverton, Oregon and I've seen that the political signage on Westfield street has come under scrutiny. Rightfully so. Not only does it appear to be in violation of Silverton city municipal code, 15.16.110 subheading B;6 which prohibits permanent, residential banner signs, but also 15.16.110 subheading A;2 - prohibiting illuminated signs. (The signs have recently been fitted with permanent overhead lighting). And finally, 15.16.060 subheading M, which appears to suggest that affixing signs to fences is prohibited. Not only does the municipal code seem quite clear. The signs also look awful and may give the wrong impression to out-of-town visitors and guests. Please enforce the code as dispassionately as possible.

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**From:** contactus@silverton.or.us <noreply@civicplus.com>

**Sent:** Wednesday, March 19, 2025 7:45 PM

**To:** Macy Mulholland <mmulholland@silverton.or.us>

**Subject:** Signs in Silverton

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**Name:** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

Message: I appreciate that you consider our constitutional rights, but also agree in some kind of city control to these signs. But when thinking about all of this, has there been signs hung in the same spot through the years supporting different things? And is it only now a problem because people don't like what the signs represent? I believe that if these answers are yes, then it is freedom of speech, and would violate that right changing because someone doesn't like what it states.

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**From:** contactus@silverton.or.us <noreply@civicplus.com>

**Sent:** Wednesday, March 19, 2025 1:31 PM

**To:** Macy Mulholland <mmulholland@silverton.or.us>

**Subject:** Flags/signs in Silverton

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**Name:** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

Message: Hello Macy, It is really disheartening that some residents of Silverton are making this an issue. Here's my two cents worth about this issue. The signs/flags are on private property and they aren't physically hurting anyone. Under the 1st Amendment this individual has the right to display them on his/her property. There will always be signs and or flags that are put up and displayed on private and public property that people won't agree with. But nobody should be able to silence an individual or group just because you have a difference of opinion or because you disagree with them. My last thought about this issue is this. There seems to be a lot of people in our community and in America today that are preaching tolerance and respect but they sure aren't practicing it. Best Regards,

[REDACTED]

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**Cory Misley**

City Manager

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**From:** [contactus@silverton.or.us](mailto:contactus@silverton.or.us) <[noreply@civicplus.com](mailto:noreply@civicplus.com)>

**Sent:** Thursday, March 13, 2025 5:18 PM

**To:** Cory Misley <[CMisley@Silverton.or.us](mailto:CMisley@Silverton.or.us)>

**Subject:** Rules about signs on private property

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Name: [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

Message: Corey, Where can I find the rules or ordinances regarding signs hung on people's fences? I have a strong concern about some signs with a message that I think is a violation. It is one thing to post your political or religious beliefs on your private property. That I do not begrudge. However, it is another thing when the sign includes the entire town's name. Please advise me to the ordinances for me to read through. Thank you, Dorthy Nielsen

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Re: FW: Rules about signs on private property

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From [REDACTED]  
Date Wed 3/19/2025 11:57 AM  
To Cory Misley <CMisley@Silverton.or.us>  
Cc Todd Easton <Teaston@silverton.or.us>; Jason Gottgetreu <JGottgetreu@Silverton.or.us>

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Thank you, Cory. I wonder if the use of the city name is allowable. The message is a misrepresentation of the citizens of Silverton. It is one thing to say "Silver loves the Foxes" versus what is on the banners.

Thank you for your reply. Much appreciated.

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Silverton OR

*"Maybe the journey isn't so much about becoming anything. Maybe it's about un-becoming everything that isn't really you, so you can be who you were meant to be in the first place."*

— **Paul Coelho**

On Fri, Mar 14, 2025 at 9:03 AM Cory Misley <[CMisley@silverton.or.us](mailto:CMisley@silverton.or.us)> wrote:

Thanks for the message, [REDACTED]. Our Code Compliance Specialist, Todd Easton, can link you to that Silverton Municipal Code language.

On a general, overly simplistic note, cities can regulate the nature (dimensions, location, etc.) of signage but not the content. Additionally, we are aware of the signs you are referencing and are looking into the matter.

Sincerely,

Cory

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**Fw: Trump Flag Usage on Westfield Street.**

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**From** Macy Mulholland <mmulholland@silverton.or.us>

**Date** Tue 3/18/2025 1:25 PM

**To** Todd Easton <Teaston@silverton.or.us>

Hi Todd, I have not followed up with this individual to acknowledge their email, would you please reply to them confirming their message was received?

Please see below regarding the recent code complaints for the Westfield flags/signs.

Kind regards,

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**From:** contactus@silverton.or.us <noreply@civicplus.com>

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 18, 2025 12:37 PM

**To:** Macy Mulholland <mmulholland@silverton.or.us>

**Subject:** Trump Flag Usage on Westfield Street.

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**Name:** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

Message: First, the flags are on private property and the city should not have any say of what is displayed. Clearly if the city does interfere, they are clearly "abridging free speech," and the constitutional right of this individual to express him or herself. As we have all viewed other signs and flags being posted throughout town on peoples private property, more recently in this last election seeing Trump/Vance signs being defaced by people who feel they are emboldened to destroy others property because they believe that they are politically correct. This is simply a face to abridge someone's rights because someone else is offended. If the City of Silverton does decide to require the removal, they better be prepared to have all political and social symbols taken down as well, such as the LGBTQ+ flags, the Black Lives Matter flags and signs as they are offensive to some as well. If not, they city is opening itself up to a lawsuit by singling out individuals.

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**From:** contactus@silverton.or.us <noreply@civicplus.com>

**Sent:** Monday, March 17, 2025 3:46 PM

**To:** Macy Mulholland <mmulholland@silverton.or.us>

**Subject:** The Oversized Maga Signs on Westfield St

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**Name:** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

Message: I, along with several thousand Silverton citizens who did not vote for Trump and do not support Elon Musk or Make America Great Again (MAGA) enthusiasts, are fed up of the large banners glorifying them on the fence on Westfield by Safeway. These banners, besides breaking local political signage code, do not encompass the varied political views that Silvertonians hold. It is disconcerting to see our town become an open platform for individuals distorting our collective voice based on personal preferences. Additionally, these banners promote political figures who have been associated with misogyny, racism, sexism, fascism, and homophobia. This negatively impacts the inclusive culture we embrace in Silverton, and sabotages our reputation with tourists. We believe in and support our constitutional rights to freedom of speech. The Silverton signage code allows political signage within its guidelines. However, these banners do not meet those guidelines and break several of our signage codes in terms of size, length of time up, and lighting. We are not asking this individual to not express their political beliefs, we are asking them to do it within the city's codes. Silverton is a place of expression, diversity, and tolerance. We take pride in the varied perspectives and backgrounds of our residents, and these banners undermine the very fabric of our inclusivity by suggesting a unanimous political alignment which simply does not exist. We want to remind our city officials that, statistically speaking, more than half of the votes in Silverton in the 2020 election were cast for a candidate other than Trump, making the endorsement of these banners a distortion of our political landscape. As a responsible and inclusive community, we encourage our city officials to assert local political signage codes and respect the varied political perspectives within our neighborhoods. Let us not allow the voice of a few to over-echo the voice of the many. Let's protect the image and values of our beloved Silverton.

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**FW: You've been identified on a petition: Require Removal of Inappropriate Large Banners in Silverton**

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**From** Cory Misley <CMisley@Silverton.or.us>

**Date** Wed 3/12/2025 12:59 PM

**To** Jason Gottgetreu <JGottgetreu@Silverton.or.us>; Todd Easton <Teaston@silverton.or.us>

FYI – thanks!

**From:** Jason Freilinger <JFreilinger@Silverton.or.us>

**Sent:** Wednesday, March 12, 2025 12:43 PM

**To:** Cory Misley <CMisley@Silverton.or.us>

**Subject:** Fw: You've been identified on a petition: Require Removal of Inappropriate Large Banners in Silverton

FYI,



**Jason Freilinger**

Mayor

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Dear Jason Freiling,

My name is [REDACTED] and I'm on the team here at Change.org. Nice to meet you!

I'm reaching out because you've been named as the decision maker on a new petition, '**Require Removal of Inappropriate Large Banners in Silverton**'. This means that you are one of the individuals with the most influence over this petition's success.

[View the petition](#)

If this petition continues to gain momentum, I'll keep you updated. Please feel free to respond to this email if you have any questions about what next steps look like, and I'd be happy to chat. I look forward to hearing from you soon!

Best,

[REDACTED]

This is an informational notification sent to the email address listed as the decision maker for this petition. If you are not the decision maker, let us know by replying directly to this email.

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We'd love to hear from you! [Contact us](#) through our help center.

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**Webform submission from: General Code Enforcement Complaint**

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**From** "Silverton, OR" <noreply@civicplus.com>

**Date** Mon 3/10/2025 1:55 PM

**To** Todd Easton <Teaston@silverton.or.us>

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Submitted on Mon, 03/10/2025 - 1:54 PM

Submitted by: [REDACTED]

Submitted values are:

**Brief Description:**

Large temporary political signs on outside of fence on Westfield Street. I think they exceed time and size restrictions. I'm not certain about the address but I think it's 338 Westfield. Visable from Dairy Queen parking lot.

**Problem Location:**

**Street Number and Name:**

338 Westfield st

**City:**

Silverton

**State:**

OR

**Zip Code:**

97381

**Your Information:**

**Name:**

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**City:**

Silverton

**State:**

OR

**Zip Code:**

97381

**Your Information:**

**Name:**

[REDACTED]





**To:** Macy Mulholland <mmulholland@silverton.or.us>

**Subject:** Trump signs

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Name: [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

Message: Leave the Trump signs and those who put them up alone!!! "Gay pride" flags are allowed up and they promote pedophilia!!! The family in near oak Street wrote all kinds of terrible slogans on their retaining wall without dispute. This is a free country and silverton residents with any common sense left between their ears do support the current Trump administration, DOGE, and the work taking place to restore American values to American states, including Oregon. The very fact this is up for city decision is egregious. The people leading the charge to have the signs removed should be charged with criminal mischief and sued for violating the property owners first ammendment rights.

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## Banners

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**From** contactus@silverton.or.us <noreply@civicplus.com>

**Date** Mon 4/14/2025 8:32 AM

**To** Todd Easton <Teaston@silverton.or.us>

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**Name:** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

Message: Hello, I'm writing to ask about banners and flags on private property that are incredibly distracting from one of our main roads. The home in question is maybe 338 Westfield? There are 3 large trump/elon banners that promote "Silverton Loves Trump" and other political sayings. In my experience Silverton is a warm and accepting community of all religions and nationalities. Regardless of political views, we have many wonderful immigrants who are experiencing significant challenges faced with current deportation policies and these signs breed hatred and contention. We are far past the election, is there a way to request to have it removed from our main roads? Does this breach any city sign codes? Thank you for your time.

[REDACTED]



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**From** "Silverton, OR" <noreply@civicplus.com>

**Date** Fri 3/14/2025 10:52 AM

**To** Todd Easton <Teaston@silverton.or.us>

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Submitted on Fri, 03/14/2025 - 10:52 AM

Submitted by: [REDACTED]

Submitted values are:

**Brief Description:**

off premise signs

**Problem Location:**

**Street Number and Name:**

previous tillamook smoker plant fence on C sstreet

**City:**

silverton

**State:**

oregon

**Zip Code:**

97381

**Your Information:**

**Name:**

[REDACTED]

**Street Number and Name:**

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