

Topics for White Paper

1. **Campaign Signage:** While the County and municipalities cannot set restrictions associated with when campaign signage can be displayed for state and federal level campaigns, the County and municipalities can set restrictions for local campaign signage. It is recommended that the County work with the municipalities to evaluate the existing ordinances associated with local campaign signage to develop consistency for when signage can be displayed.
In evaluating what time frame is appropriate for establishing the start of campaign signage, it is important to keep in mind that new candidates with little name recognition may benefit from a longer period of time allowed for displaying signage.
2. **Consolidation of Public Services:** The County and municipalities should work together to develop ways to provide more effective and cost-efficient services to the citizens. Data should be gathered that would help the cities and County make informed decisions to obtain the maximum efficiency and effectiveness.
3. **Providing Opportunities for Citizens to Be Heard:** The Commission heard from a number of citizens who spoke at CRC meeting and/or submitted language for potential charter amendments around the idea of providing greater opportunity for citizens to communicate with the Board of County Commissioners. Ideas ranged from increasing the time allotted to address the BoCC (from 3 minutes to 5 minutes) to greater ease on how to submit comments (e.g., electronic comment cards). We encourage the BoCC to explore and implement creative ideas by the citizenry to improve two-way communication.