

**POLICY TITLE: ELECTIONS AND ADVERTISING**

**Policy No. 311**

**(linked to Control of Public Places – Todd Mall By-Law)**

**POLICY PURPOSE**

The purpose of this policy is to waive the requirement to obtain certain permits from Council in circumstances where a political campaign is being held.

**POLICY STATEMENT**

As enabled by By-Law 5, Council dispenses with compliance with the requirement to obtain permits for the activities specified in By-Laws 47, 48, 49, 50 and 51 where the handbill, poster, bill, paper, placard, sign, advertisement, fixture, signboard, signpost, showbill, show-board, flag, notice or writing referred to in those By-Laws are in relation to a political party or candidate contesting an election in the Federal Parliament, Northern Territory parliament, or Alice Springs Town Council .

Such dispensation commences the day after the close of the electoral roll and ceases seven (7) days after an election.

*The dispensation provided for in this policy only applies if:*

- (a) The election material complies with all legislation;
- (b) the election material is applied or affixed so not to cause any damage to that to which it is applied or affixed and may be removed without causing damage or leaving any stain, mark or residue to that which it is applied or affixed;
- (c) no election material is applied or affixed so as to obscure, wholly or in part, any notice sign or other advertising material (political or otherwise) which may already have been applied or affixed; and
- (d) no election material is applied or affixed to private property without the consent of the owner or occupier of that property.