

RULES RELATED TO POLITICAL EVENTS AND ENDORSEMENTS SUPPORT FOR POLITICAL
CANDIDATES AT VFW POST 6859

As VFW Portland is organized as a 501(c)(19), it has the ability and responsibility to lobby on behalf of Veterans and the U.S. military to ensure that Veterans and the U.S. Military are fairly represented in the City of Portland, the State of Maine, and the United States of America. As VFW Portland is nonpartisan, it does not endorse or support any candidate or party for a political position.

The following rules apply to any party, event, person, or hall rental that is being held by any prospective candidate or candidate for office, no matter what party or affiliation:

- Members of the VFW are encouraged to attend any political event that occurs at the VFW Portland Post regardless of their political affiliation.
- Signage of any type will not be posted outside the building or upon the property of VFW Portland. However, within 24 hours of the event and within 1 hour of the end of the event, the marquee may be used to inform attendees of the event; only the marquee lettering may be used, and it is the responsibility of the contract holder to update the marquee.
- VFW Portland will not have any connecting social media accounts to any political party or official political candidates' social media of any type. Nor will VFW Portland make any postings that could in any way be considered to take the side of a political candidate.
- Political candidates' signage, handouts, and printed materials will be removed from the post at the conclusion of any event.

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