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PRESS RELEASE

Winter Park encourages residents to recycle midterm election signs



WINTER PARK, FL, an internationally recognized, award winning city with multiple accredited agencies (November 8, 2022) The City of Winter Park's Sustainability Division is partnering again with the League of Women Voters of Orange County Natural Resources Committee to recycle election signs generated from the upcoming midterm election campaign season. This recycle effort is being conducted in collaboration with the City of Orlando and Orange County Offices of Sustainability & Resilience.

Winter Park residents are encouraged to bring their campaign signs and stands to be recycled on the following dates to the following locations:

Midterm election campaign sign drop-off dates.

Saturday, November 12, at noon, through Sunday, November 20, at noon.

Drop-off locations.

- Cady Way Pool at 2529 Cady Way
- Mead Botanical Garden Community Garden at 1310 S. Denning Drive
- Fire Station 64 at 1439 Howell Branch Road

This recycling initiative will prevent an abundance of yard signs from going to a local landfill. Most political signs are made from No. 5 plastic (polypropylene), a common plastic found in hundreds of household and commercial products, such as a yogurt container. The signs will be transported to PureCycle Technologies™ where they will be transformed into a continuously renewable resource. The unique purification process is designed to remove color, odor and other impurities from No. 5 plastic waste, resulting in an ultra-pure recycled (UPR) plastic that can be recycled and reused multiple times, changing our relationship with plastic.

This partnership with the League of Women Voters, City of Orlando, and Orange County was first initiated during the November 2020 campaign season. The primary election cycle of this year's campaign season resulted in 6,080 pounds of signs being recycled, saving them from being disposed of in a local landfill.

For additional recycle locations outside of Winter Park, please access City of Orlando and Orange County. For more information regarding Winter Park's sustainability recycling effort, please contact sustainability@cityofwinterpark.org or 407-599-3364. ###

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