ORDINANCE NO. BG2022 - 39

ORDINANCE AMENDING REGULATION FOR USE OF FIREWORKS

ORDINANCE TEMPORARILY AMENDING REGULATION FOR THE USE OF FIREWORKS PURSUANT TO THE CITY OF BOWLING GREEN CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 15 (BUSINESS AND GENERAL REGULATIONS), SUBCHAPTER 15-6 (STORAGE, SALE AND USE OF FIREWORKS)

WHEREAS, on June 27, 2022, the City of Bowling Green ("City") and Warren County ("County") declared a burn ban for all City and County residents due to extreme dry weather conditions; and,

WHEREAS, following the declaration, the City received complaints from those unable to display fireworks during and around the July 4th holiday, and in order to address the complaints City staff determined once the burn ban was lifted a temporary amendment to the ordinance regulation would be recommended; and,

WHEREAS, after receiving significant rainfall, the burn ban was lifted on July 11, 2022 by the City and County; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 15 (Business and General Regulations), Subchapter 15-6 (Storage, Sale and Use of Fireworks), individuals are regularly permitted to use fireworks between the hours of noon and 10:00 p.m. on June 27th through July 3rd and on July 5th and between the hours of noon and 11:00 p.m. on July 4th of any year; and,

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City to allow temporary usage of fireworks in the City limits of Bowling Green from September 2-5, 2022 between the hours of noon to 11:00 p.m.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City of Bowling Green, Kentucky as follows:

1. A regulation for use of fireworks pursuant to the City of Bowling Green Code of Ordinances
Chapter 15 (Business and General Regulations), Subchapter 15-6 (Storage, Sale and Use of Fireworks)

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is temporarily amended and fireworks may be used in the City limits of Bowling Green from September 2-5, 2022 between the hours of noon to 11:00 p.m., following the lift of a burn ban.

- 2. The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable, and if any section, phrase or provision shall for any reason be declared invalid, such declaration of invalidity shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this Ordinance.
- 3. All prior Municipal Orders or Ordinances or parts of any Municipal Order or Ordinance in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.
- 4. This Ordinance is adopted pursuant to KRS 83A.060 in that it was introduced on July 19, 2022, and given final reading on August 2, 2022, and said Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon signature, recordation and publication in summary pursuant to KRS Chapter 424.

ADOPTED: Hugust 2, 2022

APPROVED: Mayor, Chairman of Board of Commissioners

ATTEST: City Clerk Clerk

SPONSORED BY: Jeffery B. Meisel, City Manager