

ORDINANCE NUMBER 24-7

An ordinance to amend Section 9-130 of the Beatrice City Code regarding when the sale and discharge of permissible fireworks are permitted within the City; to repeal all other conflicting ordinances or parts of ordinances; and to provide for publication in electronic form and for an effective date of this ordinance.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEATRICE, NEBRASKA:

SECTION 1. That Section 9-130 of the Beatrice City Code be and hereby is amended as follows:

“Sec. 9-130. – When sale, use permitted.

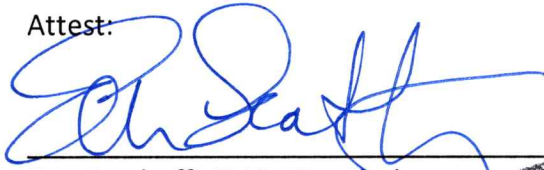
- (a) The sale of permissible fireworks within the city shall be permitted only on the days of June 29th to July 4th of each year.
- (b) The discharge of permissible fireworks within the city shall be permitted as follows:
 - (1) From June 29th to July 2nd of each year, the discharge of permissible fireworks within the city shall be permitted only between 8:00 a.m. Central Standard Time and 10:00 p.m. Central Standard Time.
 - (2) On July 3rd and 4th of each year, the discharge of permissible fireworks within the city shall be permitted only between 8:00 a.m. Central Standard Time and 11:59 p.m. Central Standard Time.
- (c) The sale or discharge of permissible fireworks within the city outside of the permitted dates and times shall be unlawful and any person having sold or discharged permissible fireworks in such a manner shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.
- (d) Public exhibitions or displays, under the control of a valid holder of a display license, may be allowed on any date which is approved by the mayor, chief of police, and fire chief.”

SECTION 2. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. That this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval, and publication in electronic form as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 4th day of March, 2024.

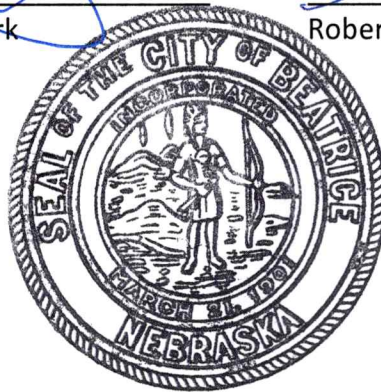
Attest:



Erin Saathoff, CMC, City Clerk



Robert Morgan, Mayor





MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor & City Council

DATE SUBMITTED: August 29, 2023

FROM: Taylor Rivera
City Attorney

FOR AGENDA OF: February 5, 2024

SUBJECT: Amendment – Fireworks Ordinance

EXHIBIT(S): Redline Ordinance

In 2022, the City Council voted to extend the number of days that fireworks could be sold and discharged. The dates went from July 1st to July 4th to June 28th to July 5th.

On August 21, 2023, the City Council held a work session to discuss the effect of this change in the fireworks ordinance. Most of the people who spoke at the public forum complained that the number of days where fireworks are allowed to be discharged should be reduced.

The proposed ordinance reduces the number of days that fireworks may be discharged from June 28th to July 5th to June 29th to July 4th.