BILL 2020-21

First Reading

Agenda Item

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Timothy Wymes, Community Development Director

DATE: May 18, 2020

RE: Fireworks Sales within City Limits

Issues

City Staff and the Policy and Procedure Committee met on May 11, 2020, to discuss the City code regarding firework sales during the Fourth of July Holiday. The current code allows retailers to purchase a city permit to sell or distribute fireworks within the city limits. Retailers are permitted to sale fireworks beginning June 20th through July 4th ending at midnight.

The committee and staff discussed extending the time frame to sell fireworks through July 10th of each year. Per Missouri State regulations, retailers are permitted to sell fireworks through July 10th. This would allow retailers the opportunity to reduce inventory and generate additional sales revenue. If the new timeframe is extended, it will not grant the consumers the right to discharge fireworks. This is an ordinance that only allows for the sale of fireworks to be extended. City Staff and the Policy and Procedure Committee are in full support of amending the code to match state regulations.

Recommendation

To approve as presented.

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AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, MISSOURI AMENDING SECTION 8-202, SALE PROHIBITED; EXCEPTIONS, OF ARTICLE IV, FIREWORKS, OF CHAPTER 8, OFFENSES MISCELLANEOUS, OF THE CITY OF CAMERON CODE EXTENDING THE DATE FIREWORKS MAY BE SOLD

WHEREAS, the City of Cameron currently allows fireworks to be sold within the City from June 20th through July 4th annually; and

WHEREAS, the State of Missouri allows the fireworks season to begin on June 20th each year and continue through July 10th (RSMo. 320.106(10); and

WHEREAS, the City of Cameron now finds it desirable to amend the fireworks season within the City of Cameron to begin on June 20th and continue until July 10th annually.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, MISSOURI AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 8-202, Sale prohibited; exceptions, of Article IV, Fireworks, of Chapter 8, Offenses Miscellaneous of the City of Cameron Code is hereby amended as follows:

Sec. 8-202. Sale prohibited; exceptions.

No person shall sell, offer for sale, trade, give away or otherwise make fireworks available to any other person within the corporate limits of the City except between June 20 through July 10 inclusive of each year. All seasonal fireworks retailers shall be licensed by the City of Cameron to sell, offer for sale, trade, give away or otherwise make available fireworks. All seasonal retailers will comply with the permit procedures, promulgated rules and regulations as set forth by the Missouri State Fire Marshal.

Section 2. The Mayor is authorized to sign this Ordinance approving it on behalf of the City of Cameron, Missouri.

Section 3. The City Clerk is directed to attest to the Mayor's signature.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage and approval.

FIRST READING

Passed and approved on first reading this 18th day of May 2020.

Passed and approved on second and final reading this _____ day of June 2020.

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Mayor Darlene Breckenridge

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

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