

BOUNTIFUL

Bountiful City Ordinance No. 2025-16

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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY FIREWORKS CODE

WHEREAS, the Utah Legislature grants authority to local governments to regulate the sale and discharge of Class “C” fireworks; and

WHEREAS, the Utah Code provides for annual scrutiny and review of fire hazards and risks by fire code officials and legislative bodies regarding fireworks and fire restrictions; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Chief has recommended that we allow fireworks, in accordance with state law, city-wide; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it is in the best interest of the municipality and the general health, safety, and welfare of the public that this Ordinance should be passed;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE BOUNTIFUL CITY COUNCIL AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Ordinance Amendment. Section 5-10-108 of the Bountiful City Code is hereby amended as follows:

5-10-108. Fireworks Restrictions.

(1) Within the limits of the City of Bountiful, the discharge of standard fireworks is prohibited except on the dates specifically allowed under Utah Code § 53-7-225 or its successor provisions.

(2) Temporary Additional Restrictions in High-Fire Conditions. Pursuant to state law, during periods of elevated wildfire danger, the Fire Chief or Fire Marshal may impose additional temporary restrictions or prohibitions on the discharge of fireworks anywhere within the City.

Such temporary restrictions may include:

- (a) additional geographic limitations;
- (b) complete temporary bans; or
- (c) any other measures necessary to protect life and property.

(3) Campfires and other fires are allowed only in an approved fire pit designed and installed by the Forest Service or the City. No homemade or makeshift fire pits are allowed. The restrictions of this Section do not apply to residential structures or improved fire pits adjacent to a residential structure.

(4) This Section does not apply to Bountiful City's annual public fireworks display because of adequate fire prevention preparations.

(5) This Section shall not expire until rescinded or amended by the City Council.

(6) In other parts of the City where not prohibited by this Section, the possession, display, or discharge of Class C common state-approved fireworks is permitted only as provided by State law. Any other possession, display, or discharge is prohibited.

(7) It is unlawful to discharge class C common state approved explosives, in such a manner as to cause, or to recklessly risk causing, a fire or injury to people or property.

(8) This Ordinance shall not limit the authority of the Fire Chief or Fire Marshal to at any time issue emergency decrees or order fireworks and/or other fire restrictions depending upon conditions or needs.

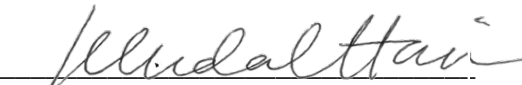
(9) Fireworks possessed, sold, or offered for sale in violation of this Ordinance may be seized and destroyed, and the license of the person selling or offering fireworks for sale may be revoked.

(10) All terms relating to fireworks used in this Ordinance shall have the same meaning as defined in Utah Code § 53-7-202 of the Utah Fire Prevention Act.

(11) A violation of this Section is a class "B" misdemeanor.

Section 2. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage.

Adopted by the City Council of Bountiful, Utah, this 9th day of December 2025.


Kendalyn Harris, Mayor

Attest:


Sophia Ward, City Recorder

