AN ORDINANCE of the City of Neosho amending Chapter 215 Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions, Article IV Offenses Concerning Public Safety by repealing and replacing Section 215.195 Fireworks, of the Code of Ordinances for provisions for the sale and use of fireworks pursuant to Section 320.111 RSMo, including year-round firework sales.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEOSHO, MISSOURI, as follows:

Section 1. That Chapter 215 Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions, Article IV Offenses Concerning Public Safety, Section 215.195 Fireworks of the Code of Ordinances is repealed in its entirety replaced with a new Section 215.195 Fireworks to be hereby adopted to read as follows:

"Chapter 215 Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions"

"Section 215.195 Fireworks"

- A. Fireworks retail businesses intended to operate year-round must operate from a permanent structure under the rules established by Missouri State Statute 320.111.
- B. Seasonal fireworks retailers are allowed in the City as permitted by the City Zoning Code, with the exception that nonprofit tax-exempt entities are permitted at the entity's location. Seasonal retailers shall be limited to the period of 7:00 am to 10:00 pm on June 20 through July 5 and may operate from portable structures and tents.
- C. The discharge of fireworks in the city limits is prohibited with the following exceptions:

7:00 A.M. to 11:00 P.M. on July 1 through July 10. July 4th fireworks may be discharged from 7:00 A.M. to 12:00 Midnight.

December 31 at 5:00 P.M. to January 1 at 1:00 A.M.

The evening of the Neosho School District High School graduation event on school district property from 3:00 P.M. to 11:00 P.M.

- D. Only the sales and use of Type 1.4 fireworks are allowed, excluding bottle rockets.
- E. Fireworks sales and storage are to be governed by the Missouri Division of Fire Safety Rules.
- F. Fireworks displays for the general public must be approved by the Fire Department.
- G. The manufacture of fireworks is prohibited.
- H. In order to sell fireworks, a City merchant's license must be purchased, with all locations to be inspected by the Fire Chief or the Fire Chief's designee prior to the issuance of the license. Sales locations will be subject to the Building and Fire Safety Codes adopted by the City.

Section 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed, but shall otherwise remain in full force and effect.

Section 3.	This Ordinance shall be effective August 6, 2024
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PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEOSHO, MISSOURI, this day of August, 2024, by a vote of 6.0.

CITY OF NEOSHO, CITY COUNCIL

Richard Davidson, Mayor

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Derek A. Snyder, City Attorney

Cheyenne Wright, City Clerk

CITY SEAL