

ORDINANCE NO. 2080

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND § 117-11 OF THE PAPIILLION MUNICIPAL CODE IN ORDER TO PROVIDE AN OPTION INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF FIREWORKS LICENSES ISSUED ON A YEAR-TO-YEAR BASIS AND TO CORRECT EXISTING LANGUAGE; AND TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Papillion, Nebraska, as follows:

Section 1. That Section 117-11 of Chapter 117, Fireworks, having to do with the number of retailer's licenses, be and hereby is amended to read as follows:

§ 117-11 Number of retailer's licenses limited.

[Amended 2-15-2022 by Ord. No. 1960; 11-15-2022 by Ord. No. 1979]


- A. Licenses for the retail sale of fireworks shall be limited to 14 in number for any fireworks season, this number being the maximum number of licenses that may normally be safely regulated by the City agencies.
- B. In no event will the number of licenses issued be greater than 14 except as outlined herein, and nothing in this chapter shall be construed as mandating the issuance of a minimum number of licenses. Upon motion and approval by the City Council during consideration of the annual Resolution approving licenses for the retail sale of fireworks in any one season, City Council may for the season under consideration increase the number of licenses issued to a maximum of 16, subject to the considerations in this section.
- C. When approving licenses for the retail sale of fireworks, the City Council shall give first priority to any individual, business or other entity which has had a license for the retail sale of fireworks approved by the City Council continuously for the past five calendar years. Any license granted for the retail sale of fireworks from December 29 through December 31 shall not be considered when determining whether an applicant has had a license continuously for the past five calendar years. The Council shall give second priority to nonprofit organizations which provide charitable, community or civic operations within the City of Papillion. If, after considering these two priorities, more applications remain than the maximum number of licenses which may be granted during any fireworks season, the City Council may further consider the length of service to the City and the plan for community betterment by charitable, community or civic operations. In addition to and notwithstanding the above criteria, any applicant may be approved or disapproved based on consideration of the applicant's past performance as a permittee.
- D. No organization or individual may receive more than one license during any one fireworks season.

- E. Each license granted shall be for one specific location identified by address or suitable area description on the application.
- F. Licenses shall be considered personal to that applicant and shall not be assignable or transferable in any manner. Upon approval by the City Council, a license may not be sold, leased, or transferred in any manner to any organization other than the organization that was approved for the permit.
- G. The issuance of a license for one or more fireworks seasons does not create any expectation of or property interest in the issuance of a license for another reason, except as may be provided by this section.

Section 2. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect fifteen (15) days after its passage. The City Clerk is directed to effectuate the publishing of this Ordinance for at least one (1) week in a newspaper in general circulation within the City of Papillion, which publication must take place within fifteen days of the passage of this Ordinance by the City Council. The City Clerk shall cause this Ordinance to be published in book or pamphlet form. That this Ordinance shall have the same force and effect as though it had been published at large. That a copy of said Ordinance shall be filed for use and examination by the public in the office of the City Clerk.

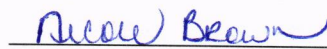
PASSED AND APPROVED this 17th day of February, 2026.

CITY OF PAPHILLION,



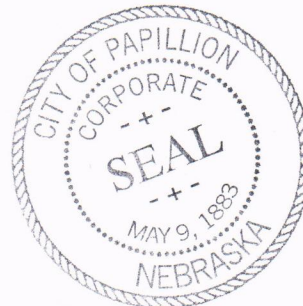
DAVID P. BLACK, MAYOR

Attest:



Nicole Brown, City Clerk

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First Reading: February 17, 2026
Second Reading: Waived
Third Reading: Waived