ORDINANCE NO. 702

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE, WASHINGTON, REPEALING CHAPTER 9.20 UPMC, CREATING CHAPTER 9.20A UPMC, AND AMENDING THE PARKS CODE RELATIVE TO THE SALE, POSSESSION AND DISCHARGE OF FIREWORKS

WHEREAS, through its adoption of Resolution No. 843 on July 17, 2017, the City Council determined that the interests of the City would be best served by placing before voters an advisory proposition asking whether the sale, possession, and discharge of consumer fireworks should be prohibited in University Place; and

WHEREAS, Advisory Proposition 1 appeared on the November 7, 2017, ballot, and asked the following question of the voters: "Should the sale, possession and discharge of consumer fireworks be prohibited in the City of University Place?"; and

WHEREAS, as of the passage of this Ordinance, a majority of voters have answered the question set forth in Advisory Proposition 1 in the affirmative; and

WHEREAS, in light of voter recommendation, the City Council desires to repeal the City's existing fireworks regulations, and enact an ordinance that will prohibit the sale, possession, and discharge of consumer fireworks, but will allow, in certain circumstances, the public display of fireworks and the use of fireworks conditioned upon a permit issued by the city;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PLACE DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. Repeal Chapter 9.20. Chapter 9.20 of the University Place City Code, entitled "Fireworks," is repealed in its entirety.
- Section 2. <u>Enact New Chapter 9.20A</u>. The University Place City Code is amended to add a new Chapter 9.20A of the University Place City Code, entitled "Fireworks," as set forth in Exhibit A and incorporated by reference.
- Section 3. <u>Amend UPMC 15.05.060</u>. Section 15.05.060 of the University Place Municipal Code entitled "Regulations and prohibited activities" is amended to read as set forth in Exhibit B and incorporated by reference.
- Section 4. <u>Savings</u>. The existing Chapter 9.20 of the University Place City Code, which is repealed and replaced by this ordinance, shall remain in full force and effect until the effective date of this ordinance.
- Section 5. <u>Corrections by City Clerk or Code Reviser</u>. Upon approval of the city attorney, the city clerk or the code reviser are authorized to make necessary corrections to this ordinance, including the correction of clerical errors; references to other local, state, or federal laws, codes, rules, or regulations; or ordinance numbering and section/subsection numbering.
- Section 6. If any one or more sections, subsections, or sentences of this ordinance are held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this ordinance and the same shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 7. <u>Effective Date</u>. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force one year from and after its adoption as provided by RCW 70.77.250.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON MAY 21, 2018.

Kent Keel, Mayor

ATTEST:

Emelita Genetia, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Matthew S. Kaser, City Attorney

Date of Publication: 05/23/18 Effective Date: 05/21/19

EXHIBIT A TO ORDINANCE NO. 702

Chapter 9.20A UPMC Fireworks

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9.20A.010.	Intent.

The University Place City Council certified Advisory Proposition 1 to the voters for the November 7, 2017 general election. Advisory Proposition 1 asked the following question: "Should the sale, possession and discharge of consumer fireworks be prohibited in the City of University Place?" A majority of voters answered in the affirmative.

The City Council, having determined that the prohibition of the sale, possession, and discharge of consumer fireworks is requested by the voters and is in the interests of the public health, safety, and welfare, establishes this ordinance to prohibit the sale, possession, and discharge of consumer fireworks, to establish the circumstances in which public displays of fireworks and fireworks used in theatrical presentations are permitted, and to establish the penalty for a violation of the ordinance.

9.20A.020. Prohibited acts

- A. Except as permitted in this chapter, the sale, possession with the intent to sell or discharge, or discharge of fireworks of any kind within the city is prohibited.
- B. It shall be unlawful for an owner of property, or a person renting, leasing, or who has control over the use of property, to knowingly permit the property that he or she owns, rents, leases or has control over, or any portion of any city roadway adjacent to such property, to be utilized for the discharge of fireworks when the discharge of fireworks is not properly permitted pursuant to this chapter.
- C. It shall be unlawful for any person to deposit fireworks or parts of fireworks, whether discharged or not, in or upon any street, sidewalk or other public place, except when discharged fireworks or parts of discharged fireworks are deposited in private or public litter receptacles, and it shall be unlawful for an owner of property, or a person renting, leasing, or who has control over the use of property, to fail to remove fireworks or parts of fireworks, whether discharged or not, that are not contained in a litter receptacle from private property that is open to the public or open to public view within 72 hours of the deposit of such fireworks or parts of fireworks on the private property.
- D. It shall be unlawful for any parent or guardian having custody or control of any minor to permit or knowingly allow such minor to sell, deliver, distribute, possess or discharge fireworks of any kind within the city.

9.20A.030 Exceptions

Notwithstanding the prohibition set forth in UPMC 9.20A.020, the following shall be permitted in the City of University Place:

- 1. The public display of fireworks authorized by permit issued by the city;
- 2. The use of articles pyrotechnic and special effects, when used in accordance with RCW 70.77.535 and when authorized by permit issued by the city;
- 3. The use by law enforcement or emergency response agencies of devices that may fall within the definition of firework, when such devices are used in furtherance of law enforcement or emergency response operations or training;
 - 4. The transportation of consumer fireworks through the city as part of interstate commerce;
- 5. The use of flares to warn motor vehicles of road hazards; or the use of torpedoes, flares, or fuses by railroads or other government transportation agencies for signal purposes as provided in RCW 70.77.530;
 - 6. The use of agricultural and wildlife fireworks when used in accordance with RCW 70.77.311;
- 7. The possession, storage, or transportation of fireworks that is incidental to the permitted uses in this subsection.
- The use, possession and display of "trick and novelty devices," as defined by WAC 212-17-025.
- 9. The use, possession and display of the following consumer fireworks as outlined in WAC 212-17-025: "wire sparkler/dipped sticks;" "Cylindrical fountains;" and "Cone fountains."
- 10. The sale of fireworks by non-profit organizations for which the use and possession is allowed by subparts (7), (8) and (9) of this section.

9.20A.040. Permits

- A. Except to the extent that it is inconsistent with this section, the procedures, requirements and conditions set forth in Chapter 70.77 RCW, chapter 212-17 WAC, chapter 5.10 UPMC and the provisions of the most recent version of the International Fire Code (as adopted within this Code) which are applicable to the submittal, consideration, or granting of permits shall apply to the filing, review, and issuance of any permit required by this chapter, provided however, that such permit for the sale, possession or discharge of fireworks which would otherwise be prohibited by this chapter shall be issued by the Development Services Director or designee, in consultation with the local fire official and, as applicable, the fire code official.
- B. In reviewing an application for a permit, the issuing official may consider relevant provisions in the fire codes, building codes, and health and sanitation codes adopted by the city in determining whether the discharge, possession, or storage of fireworks is performed in a safe manner or presents a risk to public health, safety, or welfare.
- C. A permit will only issue under this section in the event a pyrotechnic operator licensed by the state of Washington is designated as the person to discharge the fireworks. The permit application shall designate the licensed pyrotechnic operator by name and Washington state license number.
- D. As a condition of the issuance of any permit, the local fire official and the Development Services Director or designee shall each retain the authority to revoke a permit at any time due to safety concerns.
- E. The fee for any permit issued in accordance with this chapter shall be set forth in the City's fee schedule.

9.20A.050 Violations and Penalties

- A. It shall be a gross misdemeanor, for any person to:
- 1. Conduct an indoor or outdoor public display of fireworks without a properly issued city permit or in violation of a properly issued city permit;
- 2. Discharge special effects or articles pyrotechnic without a properly issued city permit or in violation of a properly issued city permit;

- 3. Make any misrepresentation of fact, or knowingly permit any misrepresentation of fact, on any application for a city permit required pursuant to this chapter; or
- 4. Possess or store in excess of 20 pounds of fireworks, except when such possession or storage is incidental to a properly issued city permit.
- B. Any person violating any provision of this chapter for which no other penalty is specified shall be deemed to have committed a class 1 civil infraction as set forth in RCW 7.80.120 together with fees, costs and assessments. An infraction issued pursuant to this section shall be filed in the University Place Municipal Court and processed in the same manner as other infractions filed in the University Place Municipal Court.
- C. In addition to criminal penalties, a person who violates this chapter is also liable for a civil penalty and for the costs incurred with enforcing this chapter and bringing the civil action, including court costs and reasonable investigative and attorneys' fees.
- D. In addition to those individuals authorized by law or this Code to enforce this Code, the local fire official shall also have the authority to enforce the provisions of this chapter.
- 9.20A.060 Chapter 70.77 RCW Entitled "State Fireworks Law" Adoption by reference
- A. The words and phrases used in this chapter shall be given the definitions contained in Chapter 70.77 of the Revised Code of Washington ("RCW") as now enacted or hereafter amended or recodified.
- B. Any reference to a section of the RCW or the Washington Administrative Code ("WAC") in this chapter shall refer to the chapter or section referenced and any amendment or recodification thereof.
- C. The following RCW sections, as currently enacted or as hereinafter amended or recodified from time to time, are hereby adopted by reference and shall be given the same force and effect as if set forth herein in full:

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70.77.120
               Definitions—To govern chapter.
               Definitions—"City."
70.77.124
70.77.126
               Definitions—"Fireworks."
70.77.131
               Definitions—"Display fireworks."
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               Definitions—"Articles pyrotechnic."
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70.77.141
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70.77.146
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               Definitions—"Public display of fireworks."
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               Definitions—"Licensee."
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               Definitions—"Importer."
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70.77.205
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               Definitions—"Wholesaler."
70.77.215
               Definitions—"Retailer."
70.77.230
               Definitions—"Pyrotechnic operator."
               Definitions—"New fireworks item."
70.77.236
70.77.241
               Definitions—"Permanent storage"—"Temporary storage."
70.77.435
               Seizure of Fireworks
70.77.440
               Seizure of Fireworks - Proceedings for forfeiture - Disposal of confiscated
               fireworks.
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70.77.488	Unlawful discharge or use of fireworks – Penalty
70.77.510	Unlawful sales or transfers of display fireworks - Penalty
70.77.515	Unlawful sales or transfers of consumer fireworks – Penalty
70.77.549	Civil penalty Costs

9.20A.070 Applicability of Chapter

This chapter supersedes all provisions of the municipal code relative to the use, possession or discharge of fireworks within the City that may be in conflict.

9.20A.080 Review by Council

Not later than twelve months after the effective date of this chapter and annually thereafter for thirty-six months, the City Manager or Designee shall report to the City Council information which the Council may deem advisable on the effectiveness of this chapter.

EXHIBIT B TO ORDINANCE NO. 702

UPMC 15.05.060 Regulations and prohibited activities

A. Park Property.

- 1. Destruction and Removal. No person shall vandalize, damage, destroy, mark, deface by graffiti, displace or remove, any buildings, bridges, tables, benches, fireplaces, railings, paving or paving materials, signs, notices or placards, monuments, stakes, posts, stones, trees, shrubs, plants, public utilities, or other structures, equipment, facilities or park property or appurtenances whatsoever, either real or personal.
- 2. Erection of Structures. No person shall construct or erect any building or structure of whatever kind, whether permanent or temporary in character, or run or string any public service utility into, upon, or across park property, except by facility rental or reservation or special event permit issued under Chapter <u>5.10</u> UPMC.
- 3. Climbing Trees, Etc. No person shall climb any tree or walk, stand or sit upon monuments, fountains, railings, fences or upon any other property not designated or customarily used for such purposes.
- 4. Pollution of Waters. No person shall throw, discharge, or otherwise place or cause to be placed in the waters of any stream, or other body of water in or adjacent to any park or any stream, storm sewer, or drain flowing into such waters, any substance, matter or thing, liquid or solid, which will or may result in the pollution of the waters.
- 5. Deposit Trash. No person shall bring in, dump or deposit any trash, waste or garbage not generated during lawful use of the park or City moorage facilities. All trash, waste and garbage generated during lawful use of the park or City moorage facilities shall not be placed in any waters in or contiguous to the park nor left anywhere on the grounds, but shall be placed in the proper receptacles where provided. Where receptacles are not so provided, all such trash, waste and garbage shall be carried away from the park by the person responsible for its presence and properly disposed of elsewhere.

B. Animals.

- 1. Hunting. No person shall hunt, molest, harm, frighten, kill, trap, chase, tease, shoot or throw missiles or objects at any animal, reptile or bird, nor shall he remove or have in his possession the young of any wild animal, or the eggs or nest, or young of any reptile or bird.
- 2. Feeding. No person shall feed any bird or wild animal or give or offer, or attempt to give, to any animal or bird any tobacco, alcohol or other known noxious substances.
- 3. Hitching of Animals. No person shall tie or hitch any animal to any tree, plant or fence, unless in a designated area or unless such action is not reasonably likely to cause damage to park property.
- 4. Domestic Animals. No person shall allow a dog or animal under that person's care, custody or control to run at large. All animals in those areas where animals are permitted shall be restrained at all times on adequate leashes, unless dogs are in a designated off-leash dog area. A person whose dog or other domestic animal is in a park is responsible for removing feces deposited by such animal from the park.

C. Traffic.

- 1. City Motor Vehicle Laws Apply. No person shall fail to comply with all applicable provisions of the City motor vehicle traffic laws in regard to equipment and operation of vehicles together with such regulations as are contained in this chapter and other ordinances.
- 2. Enforcement of Traffic Regulations. No person shall fail to obey all traffic officers and park employees, such persons being authorized and instructed to direct traffic whenever and wherever needed in the parks and on the highways, streets or roads immediately adjacent thereto in accordance with the provisions of these regulations and such supplementary regulations as may be issued subsequently by the Director.

- 3. Obey Traffic Signs. No person shall fail to observe carefully all traffic signs indicating speed, direction, caution, stopping, or parking, and all others posted for proper control and to safeguard life and property.
- 4. Speed of Vehicles. No person shall drive a vehicle at a rate of speed exceeding 10 miles an hour, except upon such roads as the Director may designate, by posted signs for speedier travel.
- 5. Vehicle Operation Confined to Roads. No person shall drive any vehicle on any area except designated park roads or parking areas, or such other areas as may be specifically designated by the Director.
- 6. Vehicles in Designated Areas. No person shall park a vehicle in other than an established or designated parking area, and such use shall be in accordance with the posted directions and with the instructions of any attendant who may be present.
- 7. Abandoned Vehicles. No person shall leave any vehicle in the park that is or appears to be inoperable, immobile, disassembled or extensively damaged. Evidence of inoperability and damage includes, but is not limited to, a buildup of debris that obstructs use, a broken window or windshield, a missing wheel, a flat tire, a nonfunctional motor or transmission, missing bumpers, or missing license plates.
- 8. Immovable Vehicles. No person shall leave any vehicle in the park with one or more wheels chained, or with motor set in gears and doors locked, or in any manner fixed or arranged so that such vehicle cannot readily be moved by hand.
- 9. Double Parking. No person shall double-park any vehicle on any road or parkway unless directed by a park official.
 - 10. Vehicle Parking Hours. No person shall park a vehicle overnight on park property.
- 11. Bicycle Operation. No person shall ride a bicycle other than on the right-hand side of the road paving as close as conditions permit, and bicycles shall be kept in single file when two or more are operating as a group. Persons shall at all times operate their bicycles with reasonable regard for the safety of others, signal all turns, pass to the right of any vehicle they are overtaking, and pass to the right of any vehicles they may be meeting.
- 12. Immobile Bicycles. No person shall leave a bicycle lying on the ground or paving, or set against trees, or in any place or position where other persons may trip over or be injured by them.

D. Picnic Areas and Use.

- 1. Regulated. No person shall picnic or lunch in a place other than those designated or reasonably useful for that purpose. Attendants shall have the authority to regulate the activities in such areas when necessary to prevent congestion and to secure the maximum use for the comfort and convenience of all. Visitors shall comply with any directions given to achieve this end.
- 2. Availability. No person shall violate the regulation that use of the tables and benches and other park amenities follows, generally, the rule of "first come, first served," unless by facility rental or reservation or by special event permit issued under Chapter <u>5.10 UPMC</u>.
- 3. Nonexclusive. No person shall use any portion of the picnic areas or of any of the buildings or structures therein for the purpose of holding picnics to the exclusion of other persons, nor shall any person use such area and facilities for an unreasonable time if the facilities are crowded, unless by a facility rental or reservation or by a special use permit issued under Chapter <u>5.10</u> UPMC.
- 4. Barbeque. No person shall operate a barbeque except in designated areas and unless he or she takes all necessary safety precautions to ensure the safety of others and of the park property. All barbeques must be self-contained units that use coal or propane gas, and only be used outside. Coals, ashes, grease or other byproducts of said barbeques may not be disposed of on park property.

E. Recreational Activities.

- 1. Bathing Areas. No person shall erect, maintain, use or occupy on or in any beach, stream bank, or bathing area, any tent, shelter or structure of any kind.
- 2. Firearms. No person shall use, carry, or possess weapons of any description potentially inimical to wildlife and dangerous to human safety, or any kind of trapping device; provided, however, that firearms are permitted subject to the following limitations. No person except duly authorized law enforcement personnel and/or persons licensed to carry a concealed weapon shall possess a concealed firearm in a City park. No person shall aim or discharge a firearm in, into, or across any park area.
- 3. Camping. No person shall camp in the open, or in tents, shacks, or any other temporary shelter, nor shall any person leave any movable structure or special vehicle to be used or that could be used for such purpose, such as a house trailer or camp trailer; provided, that camping as a component activity of a properly permitted special event sponsored and organized or supported by the City, or sponsored and organized by a Federally certified nonprofit youth education organization, may be allowed for not more than 48 hours. Further provided that this provision does not apply to temporary tent encampments as those are elsewhere defined and regulated in this code.
- 4. Games. No person shall take part in or abet the playing of any games involving thrown or otherwise propelled objects, or the playing of rough or comparatively dangerous games such as football or baseball, except in areas set apart for such use, or otherwise reasonably useful for such use and not reasonably likely to cause injury or interfere with the use of park facilities by the general public. Roller skating and skateboarding, golf and horseshoes shall be confined to those areas specifically designated for such use.
- 5. Model Aircraft. No person shall fly or operate any gas- or electric-powered aircraft, model aircraft, model rockets or hot air balloons, except at specified places and times designated for such activities by the Director upon his determination that:
- a. Adequate provision has been made to ensure that the health and safety of participants in and spectators of any such activities will not be subject to undue hazard;
- b. Such activities will be conducted in such a manner as to minimize potential damage to public or private property;
 - c. Such activities will not constitute a public nuisance;
 - d. Such activities will not unduly interfere with the use of park facilities by the general public; and
- e. User has provided to the City a certificate of insurance satisfactory to the Director naming the City as an additional insured.
- 6. Racing. No person shall engage in conduct or hold any trials or competitions for speed, endurance or hill climbing involving any vehicle, boat, aircraft or animal, except at specified places and times designated for such activities by the Director upon his determination that:
- a. Adequate provision has been made to ensure that the health and safety of participants in and spectators of any such activities will not be subject to undue hazard;
- b. Such activities will be conducted in such a manner as to minimize potential damage to public or private property;
 - c. Such activities will not constitute a public nuisance:
 - d. Such activities will not unduly interfere with the use of park facilities by the general public; and
- e. User has provided to the City a certificate of insurance satisfactory to the Director naming the City as an additional insured.

F. Behavior.

- 1. Illegal Substances and Alcoholic Beverages. No person shall have or be under the influence of any illegal substances. No person shall have or be under the influence of alcoholic beverages of any kind, except that alcohol may be served in conjunction with a special event permit or facility rental agreement.
- 2. Violence. No person shall exhibit violence at any time, whether or not in possession of a weapon pursuant to this chapter.
- 3. Fireworks and Explosives. No person shall bring, or have in his possession, or set off or otherwise cause to explode or discharge or burn, any firecrackers, torpedo, rocket, or other fireworks or explosives of inflammable material, or discharge them or throw them into any such area from land or water adjacent thereto

including any City park or on the grounds of any City facilities, except in conjunction with a special event permit permit issued under chapter 9.20A UPMC. This prohibition includes any substance, compound, mixture, or article that in conjunction with any other substance or compound would be dangerous from any of the foregoing standpoints.

- 4. Fires. No person shall build or attempt to build a fire except in such areas and under such regulations as may be designated by the Director. No person shall drop, throw, or otherwise scatter lighted matches, burning cigarettes or cigars, tobacco paper or other inflammable material within any park area or on any highway, road or street abutting or contiguous thereto.
- 5. Closed Areas. No person shall enter an area posted as "Closed to the Public," nor shall any person use, or abet the use of, any area in violation of posted notices.
 - 6. Games of Chance. No person shall gamble, or participate in or abet any game of chance.
- 7. Loitering and Boisterousness. No person shall sleep or protractedly lounge on the seat, or benches, or other areas, or engage in loud, boisterous, threatening, abusive, insulting or indecent language, or engage in any disorderly conduct or behavior tending to a breach of the public peace.
- 8. Signs. No person shall attach, affix or otherwise post any sign, placard, advertisement, or inscription to any park property, nor shall any person erect or cause to be erected any sign whatsoever on any public lands or roads in or adjacent to a park, except by facility rental or reservation or special event permit issued under Chapter 5.10 UPMC, or by permission of the Director.
- 9. Noise. No person shall operate a loudspeaker or mechanical amplifier, nor play a radio, stereo, television set, or similar device at volumes such that they may be heard from over 20 feet from the source, except by facility rental or reservation or special event permit issued under Chapter <u>5.10</u> UPMC.
- 10. Exhibit Permits. No person shall fail to produce and exhibit any permit from the Director he claims to have upon request of any person who desires to inspect the same for the purpose of enforcing compliance with any ordinance or rule.
- 11. Interference with Permittees. No person shall disturb or interfere unreasonably with any person or party occupying any area, or participating in any activity, under the authority of a permit, rental, or reservation.

G. Sales.

- 1. Vending and Peddling. No person shall expose or offer for sale any article or thing, nor shall he station or place any stand, cart or vehicle for the transportation, sale or display of any such article or thing, except by sales permit issued under this chapter, or special event permit issued under Chapter <u>5.10</u> UPMC.
- 2. Advertising. No person shall announce, advertise, or call the public attention in any way to any article or service for sale or hire, except by sales permit issued under this chapter.

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