

**CITY OF MONROE
ORDINANCE NO. 006/2016**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MONROE,
WASHINGTON, AMENDING CHAPTER 9.26 OF THE
MONROE MUNICIPAL CODE; RESTRICTING THE TIME
FOR SALE OF FIREWORKS; PROVIDING FOR
SEVERABILITY; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE
DATE

WHEREAS, Chapter 70.77 RCW, the State Fireworks Law, governs the purchase, sale, and discharge of fireworks; and

WHEREAS, RCW 70.77.250(4) permits cities to adopt ordinances with stricter regulations of fireworks than state law, provided such ordinances may not have an effective date sooner than on year after their adoption; and

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Monroe Municipal Code Chapter 9.26, Fireworks, through Ordinance No. 005/2005, on February 16, 2005; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City Council to amend regulations governing the sale and discharge of fireworks that are more restrictive than state law.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONROE, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Amendment of MMC 9.26.020. Section 9.26.020, Restriction on times for sale and discharge of fireworks, of the Monroe Municipal Code is hereby amended as follows:

9.26.020 Restriction on times for sale and discharge of fireworks.

The sale, purchase and discharge of consumer fireworks shall not be permitted at any time except during the following times and dates:

A. Consumer fireworks may be purchased and sold within the city of Monroe, Washington only between the hours of ~~[NOON AND ELEVEN P.M. ON JUNE 28TH OF ANY YEAR AND BETWEEN]~~ nine a.m. and eleven p.m. on ~~[JUNE 29TH]~~ July 1st through July 4th of any year; and only between the hours of noon and eleven p.m. on December 27th ~~[OF ANY YEAR AND BETWEEN NINE A.M. AND ELEVEN P.M. ON DECEMBER 28TH]~~ through December 31st of any year; and

B. Consumer fireworks may be discharged within the city of Monroe, Washington only:

1. Between the hours of nine a.m. and midnight on the 4th of July of any year; and

2. Between the hours of six p.m. on December 31st and one a.m. on January 1st of the subsequent year.

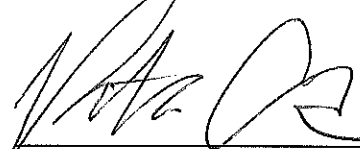
Section 2. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

Section 3. Effective Date. Pursuant to RCW 70.77.250(4), this ordinance shall be in full force and effect one (1) year from and after its adoption.

PASSED by the City Council and APPROVED by the Mayor of the City of Monroe, at a regular meeting held this 14th day of June, 2016.

First Reading : June 7, 2016
Adopted: June 14, 2016
Published: June 21, 2016
Effective: June 14, 2017


CITY OF MONROE, WASHINGTON:



~~Geoffrey Thomas, Mayor~~
Pamela Cidubek Mayor Pro Tem
APPROVED AS TO FORM:

(SEAL)

ATTEST:



Elizabeth M. Smoot, MMC, City Clerk



J. Zachary Lell, City Attorney