



OROVILLE CITY COUNCIL

Council Chambers
1735 Montgomery Street
Oroville, CA. 95965

**July 09, 2024
SPECIAL MEETING
OPEN SESSION 9:30 AM
AGENDA**

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CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Council Members: Tracy Johnstone, Krysi Riggs, Scott Thomson, Janet Goodson, Shawn Webber, Vice Mayor Eric Smith, and Mayor David Pittman

OPEN SESSION

- . Pledge of Allegiance
- . Adoption of the Agenda

REGULAR BUSINESS – Action Calendar

1. Ratification of Emergency Declaration Due to the Thompson Fire

The City Council will meet to ratify the Local Emergency Declaration due to the Thompson Fire.

ACTION REQUESTED -

RATIFY LOCAL DECLARATION OF DISASTER DUE TO THE THOMPSON FIRE BY ADOPTING RESOLUTION(S) AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN.

2. Emergency Regulation Temporarily Banning Fireworks

The City Council will take action on the emergency regulation temporarily banning fireworks.

ACTION REQUESTED -

TAKE ACTION ON THE EMERGENCY REGULATION TEMPORARILY BANNING FIREWORKS BY ADOPTING RESOLUTION(S) AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjourn to June 16, 2024 at 4:00 P.M. in the Oroville City Council Chambers

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PROCLAMATION OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY BY THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES OF THE CITY OF OROVILLE

BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Director of Emergency Services of the City of Oroville as follows:

WHEREAS, the California Emergency Services Act, Government Code sections 8558(c) and 8630 authorize the proclamation of a local emergency when conditions of disaster or extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the territorial limits of a city exist; and

WHEREAS, Section 8.08.060 of the Oroville Municipal Code empowers the Director of Emergency Services to proclaim the existence of a local emergency when the City is affected by a public calamity and the City Council is not in session; and

WHEREAS, a significant wildland fire, the "Thompson Fire", began on or about July 2, 2024 and is expected to continue to affect substantial geographic areas within the City of Oroville for an unknown duration in time due to extreme high temperatures and high winds; and

WHEREAS, the fire has caused or is substantially likely to cause extreme conditions, such as: power outages, damage to infrastructure, burned trees, slope failures, and structural damage; and

WHEREAS, the fire has caused or is substantially likely to cause multiple road closures and the need for emergency shelters, impacting the transportation and housing within the City and threatening the integrity of the City's infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, based upon the above events, by reason of the magnitude of the fire, and the need to protect the health, safety and welfare of the residents and property of the City of Oroville, there exists the potential that these events are likely to become beyond the control of the normal services, personnel, equipment and facilities of the regularly constituted branches and departments of the City government; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Oroville is not in session and cannot immediately be called into session.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED, that a local emergency is immediately declared and now exists throughout the City of Oroville; and

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED, that during the existence of said local emergency the powers, functions, and duties of the Emergency organization of this City shall be those prescribed by state law, by ordinances, and resolutions of this City, and by the City of Oroville SEMS/NIMS Emergency Operations Plan; and

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED, that all City officers and employees take all steps requested by the City Administrator to qualify for reimbursement from the Federal Emergency Management Agency and for other state and federal relief as may be available to reimburse the City for the expenses it incurs in addressing this emergency; and

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED, that the City Council shall take action to ratify this proclamation within seven days, or the local emergency shall not remain in effect.

July 2, 2024

By: 
Bill LaGrone, Director of Emergency Services
City of Oroville

Resolution No. XXXX

A RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE DECLARATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY ISSUED ON JULY 2, 2024, IN OROVILLE, CALIFORNIA AND PROVIDING FOR ITS CONTINUANCE UNTIL IT IS DEEMED THAT A LOCAL EMERGENCY NO LONGER EXISTS

WHEREAS, section 8.08.060 of the City Municipal Code provides that the Director of Emergency Services may issue a proclamation of a local emergency when the City Council is not in session;

WHEREAS, the City Council was not in session when the local emergency initiated;

WHEREAS, on July 2, 2024, the Director of Emergency Services of Oroville, California, declared a local emergency due to the Thompson Fire, which posed a significant threat to the safety and property of residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Oroville, California, as follows:

1. **Ratification of Emergency Declaration:** The declaration of local emergency issued on July 2, 2024, by the Director of Emergency Services of Oroville, California, is hereby ratified and confirmed.
2. **Duration of Emergency Declaration:** The declaration of local emergency shall remain in effect until such time as determined by the Director of Emergency Services.
3. **Implementation:** The City Administrator, in coordination with appropriate local, state, and federal agencies, is hereby authorized and directed to take all necessary actions to respond to the emergency and facilitate the cleanup and recovery efforts.
4. **Reporting:** The City Administrator shall provide regular updates to the City Council regarding the status of the cleanup and recovery efforts and the ongoing need for the emergency declaration.
5. **Effective Date:** This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Oroville, California, this 9th day of July, 2024, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Mayor, City of Oroville

ATTEST:

Assistant City Clerk, City of Oroville



For Immediate Release
July 3, 2024
Temporary Ban on Fireworks Use

City of Oroville
1735 Montgomery Street
Oroville, CA 95928

From: Bill LaGrone, Director of Emergency Services
Contact Person: Kelli Riley, Oroville Police Department

Oroville, CA – Due to the ongoing Thompson Fire and extreme fire conditions, local and regional emergency response resources are stretched extremely thin. Consequently, the California Department of State Parks has announced the cancellation of the planned Fourth of July Fireworks Display scheduled at the Forebay on the evening of the Fourth of July (see link below).

In a precautionary measure, under Oroville Municipal Code Section 8.08.060, subsection A, 6(a), the Director of Emergency Services has issued an Emergency Regulation temporarily banning the use of all fireworks in the City limits, including the Safe and Sane variety, until such time that the director of Emergency Services determines it to be safe and this Order is lifted.

Firework vendors are strongly encouraged to cease the sale of Safe and Sane fireworks immediately. Vendors who continue to sell Safe and Sane fireworks must post the Emergency Regulation prominently at the point of sale and must provide a copy of the Emergency Regulation to all customers purchasing fireworks.

Safety of our community and the public is the City's top priority. With the Thompson Fire still burning, emergency response resources must be preserved and dedicated for true emergencies. Public safety personnel need to focus on protecting life and property and we must all do our part to prevent unnecessary strain on our emergency response system.

EMERGENCY ORDER AND REGULATION NO. 2024-01

TEMPORARY BAN ON FIREWORKS USE

WHEREAS, the extreme temperatures the region has been experiencing and expected for the foreseeable future, the low humidities, and the significant fuel loads create an environment ripe for additional fire emergencies and

WHEREAS, the Thompson Fire continues to burn, creating hazardous conditions within the City of Oroville and surrounding areas; and

WHEREAS, the above conditions caused the Director of Emergency Services to declare the existence of a Local Emergency on July 2, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Local Emergency remains in effect and conditions that caused it to be issued continue to persist; and

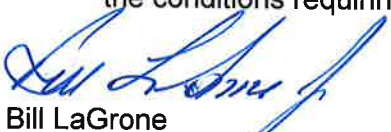
WHEREAS, the safety of the public is the City's primary responsibility, and the availability of emergency response resources is currently severely limited; and

WHEREAS, the use of fireworks, including Safe and Sane fireworks, poses a risk of starting additional fires during these hazardous conditions; and

WHEREAS, Oroville Municipal Code Section 8.08.060, subsection A, 6(a) grants the Director of Emergency Services the authority to issue emergency regulations during a declared local emergency;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill LaGrone, Director of Emergency Services for the City of Oroville, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Oroville Municipal Code and applicable laws, do hereby order and direct as follows:

1. **Temporary Ban on Fireworks Use:** The use of all fireworks, including Safe and Sane fireworks, is temporarily prohibited within the city limits of the City of Oroville.
2. **Sales of Safe and Sane Fireworks:** While the sale of Safe and Sane fireworks is not banned, all vendors selling these fireworks are required to:
 - Prominently display this Emergency Order at their place of business where fireworks are being sold.
 - Provide a copy of this Emergency Order to every customer purchasing fireworks.
3. **Enforcement:** This Emergency Order shall be enforced in accordance to Municipal Code Section 8.08.100 by all relevant city departments and agencies.
4. **Immediate Effect / Duration of Order:** This Emergency Order shall go into effect immediately on July 3, 2024 and shall remain in effect until such time as the Director of Emergency Services determines that the conditions requiring this order have abated and it is safe to lift the order.



Bill LaGrone
Director of Emergency Services
City of Oroville

Resolution No. XXXX**A RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE EMERGENCY ORDER AND REGULATION NO. 2024-04 TEMPORARILY BANNING THE USE OF FIREWORKS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF OROVILLE**

WHEREAS, Municipal Code Section 8.08.060 subsection A, 6(a.) provides that in the event of a local emergency, the Emergency Services Director is empowered to make and issue rules and regulations on matters reasonably related to the protection of life and property affected by such emergency;

WHEREAS, the Director of Emergency Services declared the existence of a Local Emergency on July 2, 2024 due to the Thompson Fire;

WHEREAS, due to response efforts needed for the Thompson Fire, the extreme temperatures, low humidities and significant fuel loads, on July 3, 2024 the Emergency Services Director issued an emergency order temporarily banning the use of all fireworks within the City of Oroville.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Oroville, California, as follows:

1. **Ratification of Fireworks Prohibition:** The temporary ban on the use of fireworks within the City limits of Oroville, California, issued by the Director of Public Safety on July 3, 2024, is hereby ratified and confirmed.
2. **Duration of Prohibition:** The temporary ban on the use of fireworks shall remain in effect until the Director of Emergency Services determines the order is no longer needed or the Local Emergency declaration is termination, whichever comes first.
3. **Implementation:** The Emergency Services Director, in coordination with appropriate local, state, and federal agencies, is hereby authorized and directed to take all necessary actions to enforce the prohibition and protect the community from fire hazards.
4. **Public Notification:** The City Administrator and the Director of Public Safety shall ensure that the public is adequately informed of the fireworks prohibition and the associated fire risk conditions through appropriate communication channels.
5. **Review and Reporting:** The Emergency Services Director shall regularly assess fire risk conditions and report to the City Council on the status of the prohibition and the ongoing need for such measures.
6. **Effective Date:** This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Oroville, California, this 9th day of July 2024, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Mayor, City of Oroville

ATTEST:

Assistant City Clerk, City of Oroville