



## STAFF REPORT

**DATE:** May 12, 2022

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** Fire Chief Henry Clinton  
Director of Public Safety Lance Haight

**SUBJECT:** FIREWORKS BAN IN PROHIBITED AREAS OF SPRINGVILLE AND  
RESTRICTIONS IN ALL OTHER AREAS

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### **Recommended Motion:**

Approve the fireworks ban for the wildland interface and high-risk areas as detailed in this staff report and attached map. Also approve firework restrictions in all other areas of Springville.

### **Executive Summary:**

Due to the extreme fire danger this year some areas of Springville City should be closed to all fireworks. This is the same boundary as last year. Limitations should be imposed in allowable areas.

### **Focus of Action:**

All fireworks are to be banned in the following areas:

- The “North East Boundary” on the northeast foothill area of Springville. The fireworks ban is designed to prevent any fireworks being used within 1000 ft. of the US Forest/Springville City boundary near the foothills. The boundary is defined as follows: Starting at Main Street and 1400 North, east up through Millpond Dr.; east on 400 North to 800 East then south to 400 N and east to 800 E then south to 200 N then east to 180 N. then to the intersection of 1300 East and Center St. & 1300 E. Then east to 1470 E. then south to 400 S and East to 1800 E. then south to Canyon Rd. and west to Cove Dr.
- The area west of the railroad tracks at 400 West, starting on the North end of town and extending south to the “Devon Glen” development starting at 300 N and 400 W (following the Creek to 950 West) then South to 550 N, west to 1500 W, south to Center St, east to 1200 W. south to 200 S, east to 950 W, south to 700 S, and back up to the Railroad Tracks near 400 W.

### **Newly opened areas for 2021 are:**

- The area East of Devon Glen to 1500 West
- Cimarron and Dalton streets between 2200 South and Stetson Dr.

- Evergreen Road between Eldorado and 400 East.
- Rodeo Drive, Winchester Dr. and the adjacent (Silverado Dr.) 300 East St.
- Bridger Drive between Rodeo Dr. & Winchester Dr.
- The residents on 350 East, & 400 East between 1600 South and 1875 South (North of the Evergreen Cemetery)

Reference the attached 2022 Firework Prohibition map for clarification.

Legal fireworks may be used in other areas of town from 11 am to 11 pm, between July 2. through July 5 and July 22 through July 25, except that on July 4 and July 24, the hours are 11 am to midnight.

**Background:**

The 2013 Utah State Legislature changed state law and now requires the City Council to prohibit fireworks in certain areas of our community. Utah Code 15A-5-202.5 (1)(c)(i) states, “the legislative body of a municipality within which the hazardous environmental conditions exist may prohibit only the ignition or use of the ignition source in mountainous, brush-covered, or forest-covered areas or the wildland urban interface area, which means the line, area, or zone where structures or other human development meet or intermingle with undeveloped wildland or land being used for an agricultural purpose;”

History has proven that the fire threat to our community through the “wildland interface” is real, as demonstrated by wildland fires in our recent past.

**Discussion:**

Residents in prohibited areas are able to use city parks outside the prohibited area to set off fireworks.

**Alternatives:**

The City Council may choose to allow fireworks in all areas of Springville, at considerable risk of wildland fire.

**Fiscal Impact:**

There are no fiscal impacts resulting from the restriction of fireworks from designated areas of Springville, other than potential loss of sales tax revenue from the sales of fireworks.



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## FIREWORKS RESTRICTIONS

Utah fireworks laws have changed this year allowing the purchase of lawful fireworks from June 24 – July 25. Fireworks can only be discharged two days prior and one day after the holiday (July 4 and July 24). Due to the high level of fire danger, the Springville City Fire Chief is closing certain areas of Springville for the use of all fireworks from July 2nd. – July 25th. Fireworks are banned in certain areas of town.

All fireworks are prohibited in the following areas:

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- The "South West Boundary" Follow the railroad tracks from the Northern city boundary and 400 West. Continue south to the "Devon Glen" development starting at 300 N and 400 W (following the Creek to 950 West) continue west on 550 N, to 1500 W, south to Center St, east to 1200 W. south to 200 S, east to 950 W, south to 700 S, and back east to the Railroad Tracks near 400 W. north to 400 S. east to Main St. south on Main St. following hwy. 89 south to the Southern city boundary.

- Newly opened areas for 2021 are:

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Cimarron and Dalton streets between 2200 South and Stetson Dr. Evergreen Rd. between Eldorado and 400 East.

Rodeo Drive, Winchester Dr. and the adjacent (Silverado Dr.) 300 East St. and Bridger Drive between Rodeo Dr. & Winchester Dr.

The residents on 350 East, & 400 East between 1600 South and 1875 South (North of the Evergreen Cemetery)

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