

CITY OF ST. GEORGE

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-06-008

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE IGNITION, DETONATION, OR USE OF FIREWORKS OR OTHER IGNITION SOURCES IN DESIGNATED AREAS OF THE CITY.

WHEREAS, City of St. George (the “City”) is a political subdivision of the State of Utah, authorized and organized under the provisions of Utah law; and

WHEREAS, the City has legal authority, pursuant to Title 53, Chapter 7, Utah Code Annotated, as amended (“Utah Fire Prevention and Safety Act” or “Act”), to prohibit the ignition or use of any ignition source, including fireworks, lighters, matches, sky lanterns, and smoking materials in certain areas of the City when hazardous environmental conditions exist; and

WHEREAS, the City Fire Chief has determined that hazardous environmental conditions exist that necessitate controlling the use of fireworks and ignition sources due to the extremely dry conditions and the presence of dry weeds and other vegetation which has greatly enhanced the danger of fire and creating a high risk of fire in certain areas of the City; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned hazardous conditions are expected to remain throughout the month of July, including those dates when the discharge and ignition of fireworks is allowed under Utah law; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, upon recommendation and information provided by the City Fire Chief has determined that it is in the best interest of the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the City to prohibit the ignition or use of fireworks or other ignition sources, including lighters, matches, sky lanterns, and smoking materials in certain areas of the City.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ST. GEORGE, UTAH AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Enactment

This ordinance is enacted as an addition to city code 5-3-7 and prohibits the ignition or use of fireworks or other ignition sources, including lighters, matches, sky lanterns, and smoking materials from July 1, 2015, to July 27, 2015 as follows:

B. Sale, Discharge and Possession of Certain Fireworks Restricted:

3. No person may detonate, ignite, or in any way use Fireworks or other ignition sources, including lighters, matches, sky lanterns, and smoking materials in any portion of the City designated as restricted as shown on the attached map, which map is made a part of this ordinance by this reference.

- a. The lawful use of legal Fireworks as authorized by Utah law is allowed in areas of the City that are not designated as restricted under this ordinance.
- b. All other City ordinances restricting the discharge, sale, or possession of Fireworks or the use of other ignition sources, including lighters, matches, sky lanterns, and smoking materials not in conflict with this ordinance shall remain in effect.

SECTION 3. Severability.

If any provision of this ordinance is declared to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder shall not be affected thereby.

SECTION 4. Effective Date.

This ordinance shall take effect on the date on which it is approved by the City Council.

Adopted and Approved this 18 day of June, 2015.

City of St. George Council

By: Jonathan T. Pike
Jonathan T. Pike, Mayor

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Voting:

Gil Almquist	Yea <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Nay <input type="checkbox"/>
Bette Arial	Yea <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Nay <input type="checkbox"/>
Joe Bowcutt	Yea <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Nay <input type="checkbox"/>
Jimmie Hughes	Yea <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Nay <input type="checkbox"/>
Michele Randall	Yea <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Nay <input type="checkbox"/>

Attest:

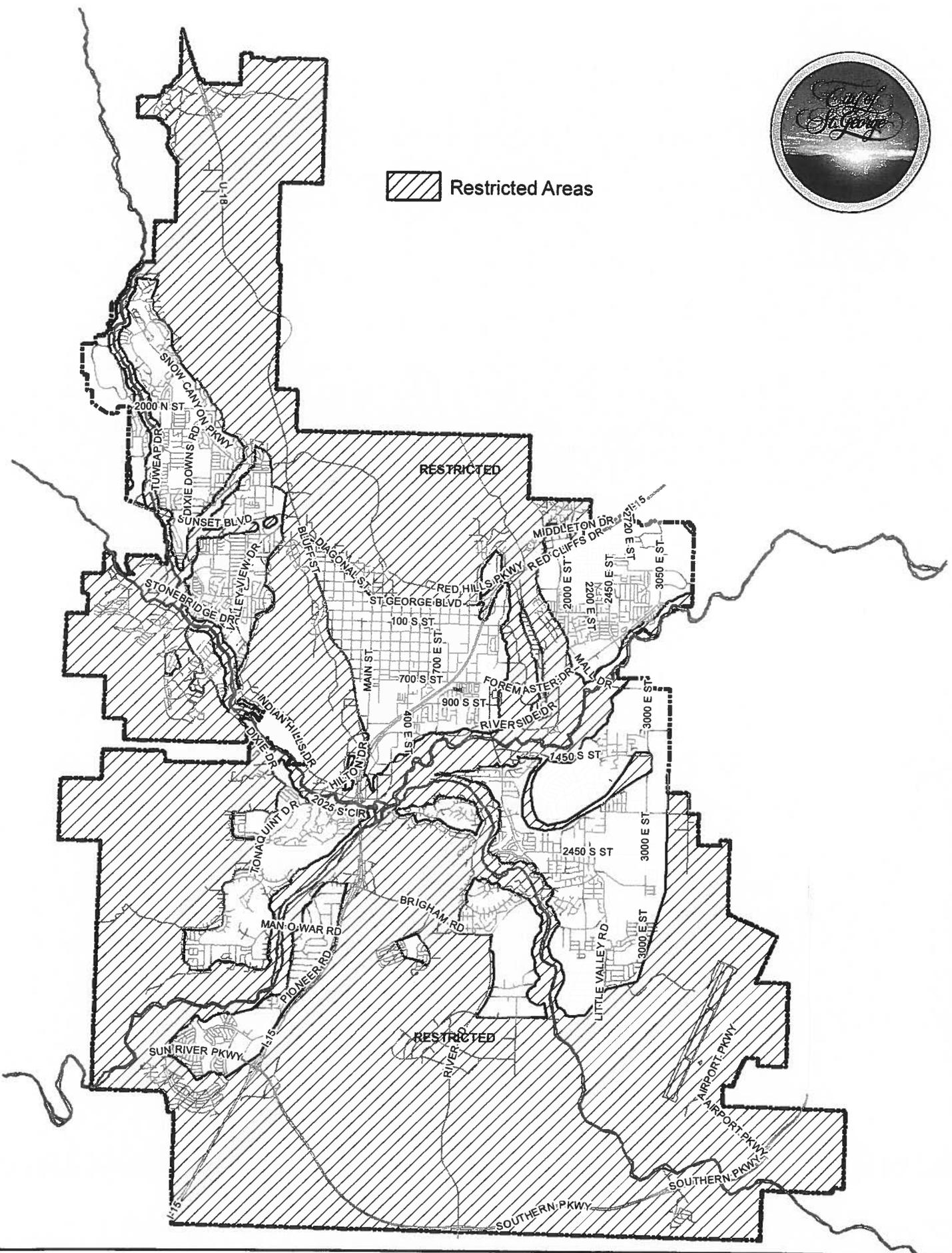
By: Christina Fernandez
Christina Fernandez, City Recorder

Deposited in the office of the City Recorder this 18 day of June, 2015.

Recorded this 18 day of June, 2015



 Restricted Areas



Restricted Fireworks Areas 2015

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