

ORDINANCE NO. 25-14

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA AMENDING COLUMBUS CITY CODE (ORDINANCE NO. 24-01) SECTION 133.99 OF CHAPTER 133 OF TITLE XIII, TO AMEND THE CODE REGARDING THE PENALTY FOR DISCHARGE FIREWORKS IN VIOLATION OF CITY CODE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PORTIONS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND PROVIDING FOR THE PUBLICATION OF THIS ORDINANCE IN PAMPHLET FORM.

WHEREAS, the City's Police Department would like to create a set dollar fine amount for discharging fireworks in violation of City Code Section 133.05 in order to allow for said violation to be a waivable offense with the courts; and

WHEREAS, the fine amount of \$100 as a fine for discharging fireworks in violation of City Code has been requested by the Columbus Police Department; and

WHEREAS, additionally City Code Section 133.99 references City Code Section 130.99 and instead should reference City Code Section 10.99 and this ordinance shall correct this.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA:

Section 1. That Section 133.99 of Chapter 133 of Title XIII of the Columbus City Code shall be amended and revised to read as follows:

§ 133.99 PENALTY.

- (A) Any person violating any provision of this chapter for which no specific penalty is prescribed shall be subject to §10.99 of this code of ordinances.
- (B) (1) Penalties for not complying with any part of §133.04 of this code for temporary structures and tents are as follows:
 - (a) Warning for first offense;
 - (b) Eight hours closed (8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.) with no sales for second offense; and
 - (c) Permit will be revoked for the remainder of the current selling season and there will be no exceptions for third offense.
- (2) If the violation occurs the last day of sales, then it will be carried over to the next season.
- (C) Any Person, upon violation of the provisions of §133.05 who shall fail, neglect or refuse to comply with the provisions of said provision, shall be in violation of this section and upon conviction thereof, shall be fined \$100 for each offense.

Section 2. This Ordinance shall repeal all Ordinances or portions thereof and conflict herewith.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage approval of publication according to law. Publication shall be in pamphlet form as authorized by Nebraska Revised Statutes §16-405 with distribution to be made by making copies available to the public upon request at the City office.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCIL MEMBER Charhi Balu

PASSED ND ADOPTED THIS 6 DAY OF October, 2025.



Jim B. Bullock
MAYOR

ATTEST:

Linda Nickeson
ASSISTANT CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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CITY ATTORNEY