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Submitted by: ASSEMBLY CHAIR OSSIANDER

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IMMEDIATE RECONSIDERATION ANCHORAGE, ALASKA PASSED 12-13-11

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AO No. 2011-121

AN ORDINANCE OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY AMENDING ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 8.75.040, FIREWORKS, TO PROHIBIT FIREWORKS WITHIN A MOBILE HOME PARK, TO ESTABLISH THE ALLOWABLE DISTANCE FROM ANY DWELLING, AND TO REQUIRE CLEAN-UP AND DEBRIS **DISPOSAL AFTER DISCHARGE.**

THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY ORDAINS:

Section 1. Anchorage Municipal Code section 8.75.040, Fireworks, is hereby amended to read as follows (language indicating no amendment is included for context only and other subsections not affected are not set out):

8.75.040 Fireworks.

- A municipal permit under this section or section 15.70.070 is not required for B. possession or use of 1.4G fireworks, as defined by the National Fire Protection Association, subject to these limitations:
 - Fireworks shall not be discharged or used in restricted areas without a 3. permit. The following are restricted areas:
 - Any location determined in writing by the municipality to pose a g. fire danger.
 - Any location within 200 feet of any dwelling not used as the living <u>h.</u> quarters of the person using fireworks. For purposes of this prohibition, dwelling shall mean any building used as the living quarters of one or more families.
 - Sale, possession, or use of any explosive fireworks or stench <u>÷</u> bomb to which fuses are attached or which are capable of ignition by matches or percussion is unlawful in a mobile home park. For purposes of this prohibition, a mobile-home park-shall mean any parcel or adjacent parcels of land in the same ownership which are managed for occupancy-by more than two mobile homes.
- Any person using fireworks shall clean up and lawfully dispose of the debris <u>D.</u> within 12 hours after use of the fireworks.

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- E [D]. Violation of this section shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$500.00.
- F [E]. As an alternative to the remedies, procedures and penalties provided in this Title and Section 1.45.010, a violation of this section may be charged as a civil violation subject to and prosecuted in accordance with Title 14 and in such case shall be punishable by a civil penalty in accordance with Chapter 14.60.

(GAAB 18.05.010.Y; AO No. 97-90, § 1, 7-1-97; AO No. 98-59(S), § 1, 5-19-98; AO No. 2001-145(S-1), § 4, 12-11-01; AO No. 2003-73, § 3, 4-22-03; AO 2010-86(S), § 1, 12-07-10)

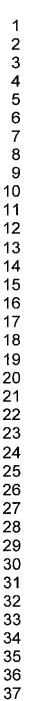
<u>Section 2.</u> This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval by the Assembly. This ordinance is subject to the same sunset date of December 7, 2012, as provided for under AO 2010-86(S).

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 13th day of Dellander, 2011.

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MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY MEMORANDUM

No. AM 690-2011

Meeting Date: November 22, 2011

From: ASSEMBLY CHAIR OSSIANDER

Subject: AN ORDINANCE OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY AMENDING ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 8.75.040, FIREWORKS, TO PROHIBIT FIREWORKS WITHIN A MOBILE HOME PARK, TO ESTABLISH THE ALLOWABLE DISTANCE FROM ANY DWELLING, AND TO REQUIRE CLEAN-UP AND DEBRIS DISPOSAL AFTER DISCHARGE.

This ordinance will add three additional restrictions to AMC §8.75.040 on use of fireworks:

- Sale, possession, or use of fireworks in a mobile home park will be unlawful. The physical construction, configuration, and placement of manufactured homes within a mobile home park create extreme risk of fire and potential explosion if fireworks are sold, possessed or used in a mobile home park.
- It will be unlawful for a person to discharge fireworks within a specified distance of the dwelling of another. This amendment is offered in response to resident complaints that New Year's fireworks are being discharged immediately adjacent to their homes.
- Timely clean-up and lawful debris disposal are mandatory. Failure is made subject to the criminal fine and civil penalty provisions of the ordinance.

This ordinance relies on the same definition of *mobile home park* as currently set out in AMC 21.70.010, and the definition of *dwelling* is adapted from AMC 21.35.020.

The December 7, 2012 sunset date of AO 2010-86(S) is retained without change.

Respectfully submitted:

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