



## **STAFF REPORT**

**TO:** Mayor and Town Council

**FROM:** Sarah Greenwald, Assistant Clerk

**DATE:** April 21, 2026

**RE: Ordinance No. 2026-004 – Open Burning and Recreational Fires**

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### **Background:**

The Town Council previously reviewed a draft ordinance establishing regulations governing open burning, recreational fires, and outdoor fire use within the Town of Alpine.

The updated version is presented as Ordinance No. 2026-004.

### **Summary Of Changes:**

Minimal changes were made following Council discussion. Revisions primarily include minor clarifications and formatting updates to improve readability and consistency with Town code.

The overall intent and structure of the ordinance remain unchanged, including:

1. Prohibition of open burning
2. Allowance of recreational fires with conditions
3. Exemptions for cooking devices
4. Enforcement and penalty provisions

### **Fire Department Review:**

Fire Chief Mike Vogt has reviewed the ordinance and is in support of the proposed regulations.

The ordinance aligns with fire prevention efforts and addresses wildfire risk within Alpine's wildland-urban interface area.

### **Staff Recommendation:**

Staff recommends approval of Ordinance No. 2026-004 on first reading.