

# **Staff Report**

TO: City Council

**FROM:** Sean Thuilliez, Chief of Police

**DATE** March 1, 2022

SUBJECT: Second Reading to Approve an Addition to Municipal Code Section

1.16 "General Penalty" Adding Penalties for the Possession and Use

of Illegal Fireworks

### **Background and Analysis:**

On February 15, 2022, the City Council held a public hearing and approved the first reading, adding increased penalties for the possession and or use of illegal fireworks to the Beaumont Municipal Code.

If approved at the second reading, the following will be added to Municipal Code Section 1.16.030, as section "C":

- C. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a violation involving the possession or use of fireworks as defined in California Health & Safety Code §12676 and §12677 is punishable by:
  - i. A fine not exceeding \$1,000.00 for a first violation;
  - ii. A fine not exceeding \$2,500.00 for a second violation of the same provision within one year; and
  - iii. A fine not exceeding \$5,000.00 for each additional violation of the same provision within one year of the first violation.

The fourth violation and every violation of the same ordinance within one year may thereafter be charged as a misdemeanor.

#### **Fiscal Impact:**

City staff estimates the costs to prepare this staff report to be \$98.

# **Recommended Action:**

Waive the second full reading and adopt by title only, "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Beaumont, Amending the Beaumont Municipal Code to Amend Chapter 1.16 Entitled 'General Penalty' and Making Findings Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act"

## **Attachments:**

- A. Ordinance
- B. Exhibit A to Ordinance