RESOLUTION R2025-14

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH JORDAN, UTAH, PROHIBITING THE USE OF AN IGNITION SOURCE, INCLUDING FIREWORKS, LIGHTERS, MATCHES, SKY LANTERNS, AND SMOKING MATERIALS, IN CERTAIN AREAS.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Utah Code 15A-5-202.5, when the Fire Code Official has determined that existing or historical hazardous environmental conditions necessitate controlled use of any ignition source, including fireworks, lighters, matches, sky lanterns, and smoking materials, the legislative body of a municipality may prohibit the ignition or use of an ignition source in wildland urban interface areas; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Code Official for the City of South Jordan (the "City") has determined that existing or historical hazardous environmental conditions necessitate controlled use of ignition sources in wildland urban interface areas in and around the City; and

WHEREAS, certain wildland urban interface areas within the City have limited access for fire suppression access and efforts; and

WHEREAS, the danger of fire in wildland urban interface areas is expected to be elevated in and around the City through the 2025 wildland fire season, which may pose a risk to life or property; and

WHEREAS, the legislative body has determined that the hazardous environmental conditions have existed for at least two of the preceding five years; and

WHEREAS, the legislative body has provided maps of the closed areas within the City to Salt Lake County, prior to May 1, 2025, and has also made them readily accessible to the public.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH JORDAN, UTAH:

SECTION 1. Definitions. As used in this Resolution

- 1."Fireworks" means any item or device which produces noise, smoke, showers of sparks, or movement by combustion or explosive materials, including all classes of fireworks.
- 2."Wildland Urban Interface" means the line, area, or zone where structures or other human development meet or intermingle with undeveloped wildland or land being used for an agricultural purpose.

SECTION 2. Prohibited Acts. Unless explicitly approved through the issuance of a written permit, as provided for in Section 3 Exceptions, the South Jordan City Council prohibits the use of any ignition source, including fireworks, lighters, matches, sky lanterns, and smoking materials, or other item or device producing an open flame or sparks within the following areas:

- 1. Wildland Urban Interface areas
- 2. Brush-covered and dry grass-covered areas within the borders of South Jordan City.
- 3. Within 200 feet of waterways, canyons, washes, ravines or similar areas within South Jordan City.
- 4. On all South Jordan City owned properties and facilities.
- 5. Limited locations readily identifiable and available to the public through a map of closed areas.
- 6. A copy of the map designating these areas and that will be made available to the public is attached as Exhibit 1.

SECTION 3. Exceptions. The Fire Code Official of the City of South Jordan is authorized to evaluate and, as appropriate, approve necessary exceptions to the prohibited acts, as listed in Section 2. Exceptions shall be granted through the issuance of a written "permit" as approved and issued by the Fire Code Official.

SECTION 4. Violations. Any performance of the prohibited acts as listed herein without a permit for an exception shall be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

SECTION 5. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon passage.

APPROVED BY	THE CITY COUNCIL	A OF THE CITY OF SOUT	H JORDAN, UTAH,
ON THIS	DAY OF MARCH, 202	5 BY THE FOLLOWING	VOTE:

	Patrick Harris Kathie Johnson Don Shelton Tamara Zander Jason McGuire	YES NO ABSTAIN	ABSENT
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Approved as to for	m:		
Office of the City	Attorney		

