

ORDINANCE NO. 2656

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A COMPLETE FIREWORKS BAN, AND
REPEALING ORDINANCES NO. 2595 AND NO. 2438,
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2005**

Whereas, the Anacortes City Council is concerned about the risk to life and property from firework discharges within the City limits, and

Whereas, the scope of the threat is increasing over the years with increasing affluence and access to illegal fireworks.

Now, therefore, the City Council of the City of Anacortes do hereby ordain as follows:

Section 1. 8.16.010 Restrictions on sale and possession. Except for a properly licensed public display under Section 2, no person shall possess, discharge or sell at wholesale or retail any fireworks within the city limits of Anacortes.

Section 2. 8.16.020 Restrictions on Use. No person shall ignite, discharge, use or explode any fireworks within the city limits of Anacortes except for properly licensed public displays of fireworks as defined in RCW Chapter 70.77.

Section 3. 8.16.030 Prohibitions. Within the city limits, no public display shall ignite, discharge, use or explode any fireworks within three hundred feet of any city park or within three hundred feet of the city forest lands.

Section 4. 8.16.050 Violations. Violations of this chapter shall constitute a crime. This ordinance does not affect prosecutions for ordinance violations committed prior to the effective date of this ordinance; does not waive any fee or penalty due and unpaid.

Section 5. Repeal. Be it further ordained that Ordinances #2595 and #2438 be and are hereby repealed in their entirety.

Section 6. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be in effect on January 1, 2005.

PASSED and APPROVED this 3rd day of May 2004.

CITY OF ANACORTES:

By H. Dean Maxwell
H. Dean Maxwell, Mayor

ATTEST:

George Khtaian
George Khtaian, City Clerk Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Ian S. Munce
Ian S. Munce, City Attorney