

ORDINANCE NO. 725

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA FALLS, MONTANA, AMENDING SECTION 8.28.020 OF THE COLUMBIA FALLS MUNICIPAL CODE.

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to amend Section 8.28.020 of the Columbia Falls Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that said amendment to the Columbia Falls Municipal Code is in the best interests of the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA FALLS, MONTANA AS FOLLOWS:

Section One. Section Amended: Section 8.28.020 of the Columbia Falls Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

8.28.020 Open Burning.

No open burning is allowed within the city limits.

Exceptions:

Fire Department sponsored and controlled burns are allowed.

Recreational fires using clean, dry campfire wood are allowed for pleasure, religious, ceremonial, cooking, warmth or similar purposes, measuring thirty-six inches or less in diameter and no more than two feet in height that are surrounded by a nonflammable area and located at least 25 feet (15 feet if fire is in an approved container) from the nearest structure or combustible material. A suitable source of extinguishing the fire must be readily available and the fire must be constantly attended until the fire is extinguished. It is unlawful to burn construction debris, papers, paper goods, rubbish, garbage, organic debris such as lawn clippings, leaves and branches anywhere in city. Notwithstanding the foregoing, recreational fire may not be ignited if special restrictions prohibiting recreational fires have been established by an authority having jurisdiction. (ORD. 700 § 2(part), 2008: Ord. 575 § 1, 2005).

Section Two. Inconsistent Provisions: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section Three. Severability: The provisions of this Ordinance are severable. If any provision of this Ordinance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision.

Section Four. Effective Date: This Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after its final passage and approval by the City Council of the City of Columbia Falls, Montana.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF COLUMBIA FALLS, MONTANA
THIS 19th DAY OF MARCH, 2012, THE COUNCIL VOTING AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: Karper, Plevel, Shepard, Bates, Fisher, Barnhart

NOES: None

ABSENT: Petersen

City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR OF COLUMBIA FALLS, MONTANA, THIS ____ DAY OF
_____, 2012.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk