

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-1

AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD WAIVING THE REQUIREMENT THAT ORGANIZATIONS THAT HAVE GRANDFATHERED STATUS FOR FIREWORKS STANDS PERMITS OBTAIN PERMITS IN 2021 IN ORDER TO RETAIN SUCH GRANDFATHERED STATUS.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding the language contained in subsection C of section 3105.3 of the Lakewood Municipal Code, the City Council hereby declares that no grandfathered organization as set forth therein shall be required to obtain a permit in 2021 in order to retain its grandfathered status in 2022, based on COVID-19 related health and safety concerns; in the event that any other organization is granted a permit in 2021 to fill an available slot due to a grandfathered organization electing to not apply for a permit, no such other organization shall have grandfathered status in 2022.

SECTION 2. The City Council hereby finds that forcing grandfathered organizations to choose between potentially jeopardizing the health of their members during a pandemic and losing their grandfathered status constitutes a clear and immediate threat to the public health, safety, and welfare. Accordingly, this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its adoption, pursuant to the provisions of Section 36937 of the California Government Code.

SECTION 3. The City Council hereby declares it would have passed this Ordinance sentence by sentence, paragraph by paragraph and section by section, and does hereby declare the provisions of this Ordinance are severable, and if for any reason any section of this Ordinance should be held invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining parts of this Ordinance.

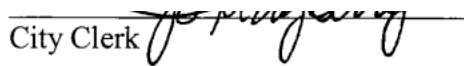
SECTION 4. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Ordinance. The City Council hereby finds and determines there are no newspapers of general circulation both published and circulated within the City and, in compliance with Section 36933 of the Government Code, directs the City Clerk to cause said Ordinance within fifteen (15) days after its passage to be posted in at least three (3) public places within the City as established by Ordinance.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 23rd day of February, 2021, by the following roll call vote:

	AYES	NAYS	ABSENT
Council Member Croft	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Council Member Pe	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Council Member Stuckey	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Council Member Wood	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Mayor Rogers	<u>X</u>	_____	_____

ATTEST:


Mayor


City Clerk