

ORDINANCE NO. 798

**AN AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF PONCHATOULA CODE OF ORDINANCES SECTION
30-224 – NOISE, EXPANDING RESTRICTIONS – NEW TIMEFRAMES AND ADDING
FIREWORKS**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Ponchatoula, Louisiana, that:

WHEREAS, the City of Ponchatoula has adopted noise restrictions by Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, it the council’s wish to expand on those restrictions; specifically:

Sec. 30-224 (b) (1) and (2) – Changing the current time frame from “11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.” to “10:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m.”

AND

Sec. 30-224 (b) adding subsection (12) Prohibited use of fireworks

It shall be unlawful for any person to sell, use, set off or shoot any pyrotechnics commonly known as fireworks of any kind or character including, but not limited to, firecrackers, Roman candles, torpedoes, sky rockets and any other fireworks of any similar kind or character, within the city and state, except as may be specially permitted by the city in writing, except that it shall not be unlawful for a person to sell, use, set off or shoot pyrotechnics during the hours of 8:00 a.m. through 10:00 p.m. two weeks prior to Christmas, one week after Christmas, two weeks prior to July 4th, one week after New Year's Eve and one week after July 4th. Further, it shall not be unlawful for a person to sell, use, set off, or shoot pyrotechnics during the hours of 8:00 a.m. through 12:00 midnight on Christmas Eve, New Year's Eve, and July 3.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, that the City Council for the City of Ponchatoula does hereby approve the changes listed above.

The effective date of this ordinance shall be July 1, 2022.

The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this ordinance, and cause the same to be published as required by law; and this ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its approval as required by law.

A motion was made by Mrs. Gueldner to adopt the ordinance and was duly seconded by Mr. Toomer.

This ordinance has been introduced on May 9, 2022 by Mrs. Gueldner, notice of public hearing having been published, said public hearing having been held, and been read by the title at a regular meeting of the City Council on June 13, 2022 and called for final passage and having been put to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Gueldner, Toomer, Daniels

NAYS: Batiste, Sandifer

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Robert F. Zabbia, Mayor

CERTIFICATE

I, Nikki James, City Clerk of the City of Ponchatoula, do hereby certify that the foregoing ordinance is a true and exact copy adopted by the Ponchatoula City Council at a meeting thereof legally held on the 13th day of June, 2022.

Nikki James, City Clerk

Delivered to Mayor: June 14, 2022

Received from Mayor: June 14, 2022

Effective Date: July 1, 2022