ORDINANCE NO. 2015-22

CITY OF BELLA VISTA, ARKANSAS

AMENDING SECTION 20-3 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BELLA VISTA TO MODIFY THE PERMISSIBLE TIME PERIODS FOR USAGE OF FIREWORKS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, Section 20-3 provides that fireworks may only be used or exploded during the Fourth of July period from June 27 through July 11; and

WHEREAS, this is a significantly longer period of time than is permitted by surrounding communities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bella Vista desires to bring its time restrictions for the usage of fireworks to a period more in line with surrounding communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLA VISTA, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1: Subsection (b) of Section 20-3 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Bella Vista, Arkansas is hereby amended so that after amendment, the subsection shall read as follows:

"(b) On the dates of July 3 through July 5 between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 12:00 midnight and on December 31 beginning at 6:00 p.m. through 1:00 a.m. on January 1 of each year, the use of fireworks shall be permitted, with the exception of any aerial fireworks device attached to a stick commonly referred to as a "bottle rocket," or any other similar device, regardless of its name."

Motion to Adopt by Alderman Morgan, second by Alderman King. Roll Call Vote; Ayes:4 Nays: 0

PASSED THIS 28th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2015.

/S/ PETER CHRISTIE	
MAYOR	

APPROVED:

ATTEST:	
/S/ WAYNE JERTSON CITY CLERK	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	

/S/ JASON KELLEY STAFF ATTORNEY

Requested by: Mayor Prepared by: Jason Kelley, Staff Attorney