

CITY OF KENNEWICK
ORDINANCE NO. 5894

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO UNNECESSARY NOISE AND AMENDING
SECTION 9.52.030 OF THE KENNEWICK MUNICIPAL CODE

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENNEWICK, WASHINGTON DO ORDAIN AS
FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 9.52.030 of the Kennewick Municipal Code, be, and the same hereby is
amended to read as follows:

9.52.030: - Unnecessary Noises.

- (1) Every person who shall make, continue, or cause to be made or continued, any unnecessary or unusual noise between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. which either unreasonably annoys, injures, or endangers the comfort, repose, health or safety of others; and every person who shall, between the hours of 8:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. make or continue, or cause to be made or continued whether in the operation of any machine, or the exercise of any trade or calling, or otherwise any noise which either unreasonably annoys, injures or endangers the comfort, repose, health or safety of others, unless the making or continuing of the same be necessary to the protection or preservation of property, or of the health, safety, life or limb of some person, creates a nuisance and shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.
- (2) Unnecessary or unusual noise includes, but is not limited to, the following:
 - (a) Loud and raucous, and frequent, repetitive, or continuous sounds made by any animal;
 - (b) Loud and raucous, and frequent, repetitive, or continuous sounds made by any horn attached to a motor vehicle;
 - (c) Loud and raucous, and frequent, repetitive, or continuous sounds made in connection with the starting, operation, repair, rebuilding or testing of any motor vehicle, motorcycle, off-highway vehicle, or internal combustion engine;
 - (d) Loud or raucous, and frequent, repetitive, or continuous sounds created by use of a musical instrument, or other device capable of producing sound when struck by an object, a whistle, or a sound amplifier or other device capable of producing, amplifying, or reproducing sound;
 - (e) Loud and raucous, and frequent, repetitive, or continuous sounds made by the naturally or mechanically amplified human voice;
 - (f) Loud or raucous, and frequent, repetitive, or continuous sounds created by the use outdoors of any emergency warning device where an actual emergency does not exist; provided that sounds created during maintenance or testing of the emergency warning devices does not constitute unnecessary or unusual noise;
 - (g) Loud or raucous, and frequent, repetitive, or continuous sounds which emanate from real property possessed or controlled by the person causing or

permitting the sound, such as sounds from audio equipment, television set, video equipment, musical instruments, band sessions and/or social gatherings;
(h) Loud or raucous, and frequent, repetitive, or continuous sounds created by the use of blasting devices without the appropriate permit.

(Ord. 5894 Sec. 1, 2021; Ord. 5720 Sec. 1, 2017 ; Ord. 5123 Sec. 1, 2006; Ord. 3060 Sec. 3(part), 1987; Ord. 2385 Sec. 10, 1979)

Section 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect five days from and after its passage, approval and publication as required by law.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENNEWICK, WASHINGTON this 19th day of January, 2021, and signed in authentication of its passage this 19th day of January, 2021.

Attest:

DON BRITAIN, Mayor

TERRI L. WRIGHT, City Clerk

ORDINANCE NO. 5894 filed and recorded
in the office of the City Clerk of the City of
Kennewick, Washington this 20th day of
January, 2021.

Approved as to Form:

LISA BEATON, City Attorney

TERRI L.WRIGHT, City Clerk

DATE OF PUBLICATION_____