

# CITY OF WILLIAMSPORT, PA

## FILE OF CITY COUNCIL

BILL No. 1713-18

SESSION OF 2018

Approved on first reading

Members of City Council:

Approved on final reading

This day 30<sup>th</sup> of July 2018

WILLIAMSON, ALLISON, SLAUGHTER  
MIELE, KATZ, NOVIELLO, HENDERSON

This day 13<sup>th</sup> of Sept 2018

### AN ORDINANCE

6347

#### AN ORDINANCE AMENDING

#### ARTICLE 709

#### Disturbing the Peace

- |        |   |        |                         |
|--------|---|--------|-------------------------|
| 709.01 | Unnecessary noises a nuisance.            | 709.05 | Permit fee and display. |
| 709.02 | Squealing of tires.                       |        |                         |
| 709.03 | Unreasonable use of mechanical devices.   | 709.06 | Fireworks Activity      |
| 709.04 | Issuance of permits for certain purposes. | 709.99 | Penalty.                |

#### CROSS REFERENCES

Preventing noises - see 3rd Class §2403(25) (53 P.S. §37403(25))

Breach of the peace - see GEN. OFF. 705. 02

Noise standards - see P. &Z. 1344.02

Fireworks Law-see Act 43 of 2017 (House Bill No. 542 October 30, 2017)

#### 709.01 UNNECESSARY NOISES A NUISANCE.

The making of unnecessary, unusual noise or any noise which either annoys, disturbs, injures or endangers the comfort, repose, health, peace or safety of others, within the limits of the City is declared to be a public nuisance. Enumeration of the particular offenses hereinafter particularly defined shall not be construed as limiting the generality of the section or limiting the offenses hereunder to particular offenses hereinafter enumerated. (Ord. 4520 §1. Approved 4-13-72.)

#### 709.02 SQUEALING OF TIRES.

No person operating any vehicle in the City shall cause the tires of his vehicle to squeal and thereby cause noise and disturbance to the peace of the community, such is hereby declared to be a nuisance. (Ord. 4520 §2. Approved 4-13-72.)

#### 709.03 UNREASONABLE USE OF MECHANICAL DEVICES.

No person shall use, operate or permit to be played, used or operated any radio receiving set, musical instrument, phonograph, or other machine or device for the producing or reproducing of sound in such manner as to disturb the peace, quiet and comfort of the neighboring inhabitants or the public at any time with louder volume than is necessary for convenient hearing for persons who are in the room, vehicle or chamber in which such machine

# CITY OF WILLIAMSPORT, PA

## FILE OF CITY COUNCIL

BILL No. 1713-18

SESSION OF 2018

Approved on first reading

This day 30<sup>th</sup> of Aug 2018

Members of City Council:

WILLIAMSON, ALLISON, SLAUGHTER  
MIELE, KATZ, NOVIELLO, HENDERSON

Approved on final reading

This day 13<sup>th</sup> of Sept 2018

### AN ORDINANCE

6347

or device is operated and who are voluntary listeners thereto, and such activity is hereby declared to be a nuisance. (Ord. 4520 §3. Approved 4-13-72.)

#### GENERAL OFFENSES CODE

709.04 ISSUANCE OF PERMITS FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES.  
(EDITOR'S NOTE: This section was repealed by Ordinance 5357, approved August 13, 1987.)

709.05 PERMIT FEE AND DISPLAY.  
(EDITOR'S NOTE: This section was repealed by Ordinance 5357, approved August 13, 1987.)

#### 709.06 FIRWORKS ACTIVITY

The City of Williamsport recognizes Act 43 of 2017 House Bill No. 542 governing the sale, purchase and use of "Consumer Fireworks". All persons who are using "Consumer Fireworks" shall follow all rules and regulations outlined in Section 2404 Use of Consumer Fireworks as well as the following conditions.

- (A) Conditions-A person who is at least 18 years of age and meets the requirements of this article may purchase, possess and use consumer fireworks.
- (B) Prohibitions-A person may not intentionally ignite or discharge:
  - (1) Consumer fireworks on public or private property without the express permission of the owner.
  - (2) Consumer fireworks or sparkling devices within or throw consumer fireworks or sparkling devices from a motor vehicle or building.
  - (3) Consumer fireworks or sparkling devices into or at a motor vehicle or building or at another person.
  - (4) Consumer fireworks or sparkling devices while the person is under the influence or alcohol, or a controlled substance or another drug.
  - (5) Consumer fireworks within 150 feet of any structure.

# CITY OF WILLIAMSPORT, PA

## FILE OF CITY COUNCIL

BILL No. 1713-18

SESSION OF 2018

Approved on first reading

Members of City Council:

Approved on final reading

This day 30<sup>th</sup> of August, 2018.

WILLIAMSON, ALLISON, SLAUGHTER  
MIELE, KATZ, NOVIELLO, HENDERSON

This day 13<sup>th</sup> of Sept, 2018.

### AN ORDINANCE

6347

(C) Consumer Fireworks shall be approved for use starting the weekend before July 4<sup>th</sup> and be permitted for use through the following calendar weekend. For purposes of this provision the weekend starts on Friday and then would conclude the following Sunday. Times for approved Consumer Fireworks shall be 8am until 10pm. In addition, Consumer Fireworks shall also be approved on New Year's Eve starting at 8pm and must conclude by 12:30am on New Year's Day.

(D) No permission is granted by the City of Williamsport or its subsidiaries for the ignition and display of consumer fireworks, the sidewalks and streets of the City of Williamsport or on any other property owned by the City of Williamsport, including, without limitation, all of the City's parks, parking lots and public buildings.

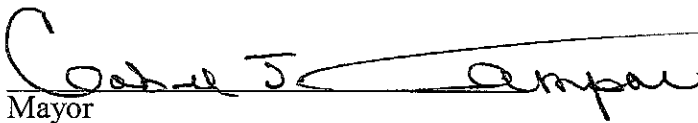
In addition to Use of fireworks, all additional guidelines set forth in House Bill No. 542 of 2017 shall strictly be followed and adhered to.

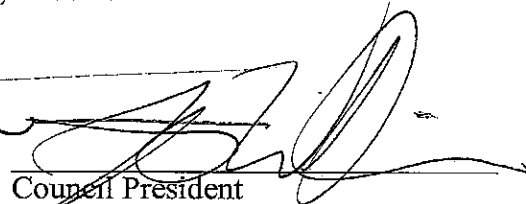
(EDITOR'S NOTE: This section was an addition by Ordinance 6347 approved 9/13 2018.)

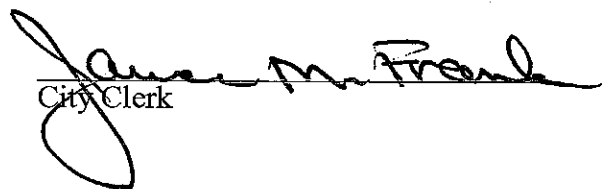
709.99 PENALTY.

Whoever violates any provision of this article shall be fined not more than six hundred dollars (\$600.00) or imprisoned not more than ninety days, or both.

(Ord. 5440 §1. Approved 11-9-89.)

  
Mayor

  
Council President

  
City Clerk