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§ 10.26

SEC. 10.26. BURNING OF LEAVES.

Subd. 1. The burning of leaves on private property is permitted under the following conditions:

Source: Ordinance No. 46, 2nd Series

Effective Date: 01-07-1983

A. Such burning of leaves will only be permitted from May 1st through May 31st and from October 15th through December 1st.

Source: Ordinance No. 142, 2nd Series

Effective Date: 04-26-1996

B. A responsible person shall be in constant attendance until the fire is completely extinguished.

C. Burning will only be allowed between the hours of 8:00 o'clock A.M. and 8:00 o'clock P.M. All fires are to be extinguished by 8:00 o'clock P.M.

D. Such fires shall not be less than 25 feet from any structure, wood fence, hedge or bush and no less than 5 feet from any property line.

E. The burning of leaves is prohibited on City streets, boulevards, lake shores or any public property by private citizens.

F. No open burning of leaves shall take place during an air pollution alert warning or emergency declared by the Minnesota Environmental Protection Agency.

G. The City Manager may temporarily discontinue burning between October 15th and December 1st due to unsafe conditions (i.e., excessive dryness, etc.).

Source: Ordinance No. 46, 2nd Series

Effective Date: 01-07-1983

Subd. 2. This Section pertains only to the burning of leaves. Any burning of rubbish, trash, or other material is prohibited except as is allowed for a campfire or approved burner as defined in Section 10.25.

Source: Ordinance No. 203, 2nd Series

Effective Date: 05-11-2007

ORDINANCE NO. 203-2nd Series

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 10.25 AND 10.26
OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF ST. JAMES

campfires, fire pits, etc. . . .

WHEREAS, Section 10.25 and Section 10.26 of the City Code of the City of St. James restricts certain burning by property owners within the City for purposes of controlling air quality in the City of St. James.

WHEREAS, City is desirous of making certain exceptions to said Sections for the limited purpose of allowing certain activities within the corporate limits of the City of St. James.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the City Council of the City of St. James as follows:

1. Subdivision 1 of Section 10.25 entitled **AIR POLLUTION CONTROL** is hereby amended to read as follows:

Subd. 1. It is unlawful for any person to burn or permit burning of any grass, weeds, leaves, rubbish or other substance upon premises owned or occupied by him or her, except for those burnings allowed in Section 10.26 and for activities allowed in Subd. 1(a).

Subd. 1(a). It is permissible for a person to have a campfire on public or private property which is defined as a fire set for cooking, warming, or ceremonial purposes, which is not more than three (3) feet in diameter by three (3) feet high and has had the ground five (5) feet from the base of the fire cleared of all combustible material or a fire in an approved burner which shall be used to burn charcoal briquettes and/or untreated/unpainted wood that contains no glues or resins. Said burner shall have the capacity of at least three (3) bushels and be

maintained with a minimum burning capacity of at least two (2) bushels. The burner shall have a cover that is closed when not in use and have the same setback requirements as a campfire. The burner shall have no openings in the sided or cover of a burner larger than one (1) inch. Such a burner may be used between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. without a burning permit, as long as open burning is allowed.

All other provisions of Section 10.25 shall remain in full force and effect.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Section 10.26 of the City Code is hereby amended as follows:

Subd. 2. This Section pertains only to the burning of leaves. Any burning of rubbish, trash or other material is prohibited except as is allowed for a campfire or approved burner as defined in Section 10.25.

All other provisions of Section 10.26 shall remain in full force and effect.

Enacted by the City Council of the City of St. James this 1st day of May, 2007. This Ordinance shall take effect on the date of publication.

CITY OF ST. JAMES

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