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## THINKING ABOUT A POOL OR HOT TUB FOR THE SUMMER?

About now, you may be thinking of warmer temperatures and getting outside. A backyard pool may be in your plans for this summer. There is a current pool ordinance that was passed in 2024 that you may want to reference before putting any pools in your yard - both above and below ground. While not the complete ordinance, below are a **few** highlights of the ordinance. The **full ordinance** is available on our website.

- There shall be a distance of not less than ten (10) feet between the adjoining property line and the outside of the pool wall for above ground pools and in-ground pools.
- No swimming pool shall be located in a public easement or located beneath utility lines or over underground utility lines.
- Prior to the filling of the swimming pool, be completely enclosed by a fence not less than four (4) feet in height.
- A site plan, builder plan, and construction plan shall be submitted for lot review to the city prior to commencement of construction. Inspection completed by Public Official prior to filling.
- All draining of pools or hot tubs shall be directed to the street, not to the rear or side lot of the property.
- While being constructed, the pool or spa must be fenced with a portable fence, such as a snow fence, of not less than four (4) feet in height.
- All outdoor pools and spas hereafter constructed shall be completely enclosed by a fence or wall so as to be impenetrable by toddlers, afford no external handholds and a minimum of four (4) feet in height with self-closing and self-latching devices.

### CITY BUDGET FOR 2025

You can see the 2025 budget for the city on our website under Government, Financial Reports & Budgets.

#### Change in Council Meeting Start times During Lent

During March 3<sup>rd</sup> – April 17<sup>th</sup>, all City Council meetings will start at 5:00. After 4/17, the start time will return to 6:00.

#### LIFEGUARDS NEEDED FOR 2025 SEASON!

Speaking of pools, the City will be looking for lifeguards for the upcoming summer season. If you know someone 15 and older, let them know. Look for our announcement and the applications to be available soon on our website.

#### PARKING REMINDERS

Taken from our Revised Parking Ordinance #201:

- 1. General Parking Prohibition. No motor vehicle shall be parked on any public street for more than 48 continuous hours.
- 2. One of the following: trailer, boat, recreational vehicle, or camper shall be allowed to be parked on any residential parcel provided it is not parked on a grass or surface composed of other plant material and is located behind the front yard building line. Any such item must be parked on a hard surface of a uniform nature that encompasses the entire length and width of the vehicle/boat/camper/trailer and not in the front yard.
- 3. Winter Parking Restriction. During the period of November 1<sup>st</sup> thru May 1<sup>st</sup>, no motor vehicle shall be parked on any City street during and/or after a snowfall, sleet or freezing rain where there has been any accumulation of snow, ice and similar debris until the street is cleared to its full width.
- 4. Downtown Parking. No parking is permitted year-round from the hours of 2 a.m. 6 a.m. in the following areas:
  - a. Broadway from 4<sup>th</sup> Ave to 1<sup>st</sup> Ave;
  - b. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street from 4<sup>th</sup> Ave to 1<sup>st</sup> Ave;
  - c. 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave from Hwy 58 to the alley adjacent First Farmers & Merchants Bank;
  - d. 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave from Broadway to the alley adjacent to the Corner Bar.

# **Dog License Renewals**

FYI – dog license renewals will be sent soon. We will need to inventory all pets in the city to update our list. When you receive a renewal sheet, you will need provide your pet's information, a tag number from a tag issued by the City in the past or if you need one sent, and vaccination verification letter from your vet. Any tags issued by the city are permanent – they do not get replaced each year.