

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-08

AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE OPEN BURNING IN THE CITY OF LAVACA, ARKANSAS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Lavaca, Arkansas, that:

SECTION 1: It shall be unlawful for any person to burn any waste articles either in an open manner, or in a container, within the City of Lavaca, Arkansas, except under the following conditions:

- (a) Only materials described in A.C.A. §8-6-1703, and referred to as "brush or yard waste" may be disposed of by open burning, and
- (b) Said activity shall be conducted in accordance with A.C.A. §8-6-1703 and the most recent Arkansas Fire Prevention Code as adopted by the City of Lavaca, Arkansas as its Fire Prevention Code, and
- (c) Fire training exercises sanctioned by and under the control of the Lavaca Fire Department.

SECTION 2: During periods of weather conditions causing a high fire danger, the Chief of the Fire Department is empowered to issue a prohibition against all burning within the City of Lavaca and cause the cessation of the issuance of permits until such time as the danger has abated. Further, the City of Lavaca, Arkansas will follow the issuance of any ban on open burning by the Sebastian County Judge due to conditions.

SECTION 3: No open burning of any type of household waste shall be permitted, nor shall such waste be disposed of by burning in a container or barrel. Contractors wishing to dispose of construction waste by open burning shall be allowed to do so, but only materials composed of cellulose shall be disposed of by burning. Materials

such as roofing, felt paper, paint drywall, all plastics, and any other non-wood material must be disposed of by other means.

SECTION 4: The Fire Department is empowered to extinguish any and all fires in violation of this Ordinance.

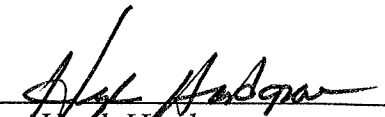
SECTION 5: Persons found in violation of this Ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be fined a sum not less than \$50.00 and not more than \$200.00.

SECTION 6: Any ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

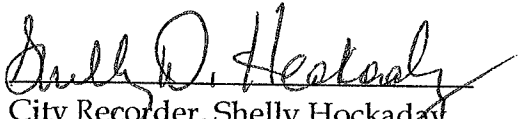
PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council on this 10 day of November, 2025.



APPROVED:


Mayor, Hugh Hardgrave

ATTEST:


City Recorder, Shelly Hockaday