

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RAMARA

BYLAW 2019.

BEING A BYLAW TO REGULATE THE USE OF ALL TYPES OF  
FIREWORKS

WHEREAS Section 121 of the Municipal Act, 2001, provides that a municipality may:

- (a) prohibit and regulate the sale of fireworks and the setting off of fireworks;
- (b) prohibit the activities described clause (a) unless a permit is obtained from the municipality for those activities and may impose conditions for obtaining, continuing to hold and renewing the permit, including requiring the submission of plans.

AND WHEREAS the Corporation of the Township of Ramara deems it necessary to regulate the setting off of fireworks in Lagoon City and Bayshore Village, in the Township of Ramara in order to improve public safety and reduce the risk to public and private property.

NOW THEREFORE the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Ramara hereby enacts as follows:

1. DEFINITIONS

- 1.1. "Consumer fireworks" means an outdoor, low hazard, recreational fireworks classed as a subdivision 1 of Division 2 of Class 7 Fireworks under the Explosives Act and includes, but not exclusive to, fireworks showers, fountains, golden rain, lawn lights, pin wheels, Roman candles, and volcanoes, but does not include sparklers, Christmas clackers, and caps for toy guns containing not in excess of twenty-five one-hundredths of a grain of explosive used per cap;
- 1.2. "Display Fireworks" means high-hazard fireworks designed for use by Professionals and includes such items as aerial shells, cakes, roman candles, waterfalls, lances and wheels;
- 1.3. "Dusk" means the time just before night when the day is losing its light but it is not yet dark;
- 1.4. "Fireworks" means a class of explosive pyrotechnic devices;
- 1.5. "Public Fireworks Display" means an exhibition of low or high hazard recreational Fireworks in an open air assembly, attendance to which the public is invited or admitted, with or without a fee being charged.

## 2. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 2.1 No person shall set off any fireworks in, on or onto any building, highway, sidewalk, municipal park or municipal property within the Township of Ramara
- 2.2 No person shall set off any fireworks within the boundaries of Lagoon City and Bayshore Village as set out Schedules "C" and "D" without first obtaining a permit from the Township of Ramara Fire and Rescue Services Department;
- 2.3 No person shall set off any Fireworks, including but not limited to firecrackers and cherry bombs of any type under any circumstances if there is a Fire Ban in Place within the Township of Ramara.
- 2.4 Notwithstanding Section 2.2 of this Bylaw, a permit is not required to set off Consumer Fireworks within Lagoon City or Bayshore Village on the following days and times:
  - a) New Year's Eve - between dusk and 1:00 a.m.;
  - b) Canada Day - between dusk and 1:00 a.m. the weekend prior to Canada Day, the weekend directly following Canada Day or on the day of Canada Day itself.
  - c) Victoria Day and Labour Day - between dusk and 11:00 p.m. on the weekend in which the holiday falls.

## 3. PERMITS FOR THE DISCHARGE OF PUBLIC AND DISPLAY FIREWORKS

- 3.1 A permit may be issued by the Fire Chief or designate to to a property owner only for Consumer or Display Fireworks upon receipt of an approved, completed application form.
- 3.2 The application form is attached hereto as Schedule "A" to this Bylaw;
- 3.3 Every application for a permit to discharge Consumer or Display fireworks, for days other than those stated in Section 2.3, shall be made to the Ramara Township Fire and Rescue Services Department.
- 3.4 Notwithstanding Section 2.4 above, an application for a commercial fireworks display during a fire ban period may be presented to the Township Office for approval by the Township Fire Chief. At the discretion of the Fire Chief he may allow the display of Commercial fireworks during this period providing he is satisfied that all safety precautions are in place to prevent any fire damage as the result of fireworks. This may result in the assigning a firetrucks and crews at specified locations. All costs involved would be charged to the applicant.

#### 4. VENDORS SELLING CONSUMER DISPLAY OR PUBLIC FIREWORKS

4.1 Schedule "B" of this Bylaw shall be posted in a conspicuous place upon any premise where fireworks are sold within the boundaries of Ramara Township.

#### 5. OFFENCE AND PENALTY

Every person who contravenes any of the provisions of this Bylaw is guilty of an offence and upon conviction is liable to a fine of not more that \$5,000 as provided for in the Provincial Offences Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter P33, as amended.

#### 6. VALIDITY

Should any provision of this Bylaw be declared, by a Court of competent jurisdiction, to be invalid or illegal for any other reason, the remainder of the Bylaw shall remain in full force and effect.

#### 7. EFFECTIVE DATE

8.1 This bylaw shall come into full force and effect on the date of passing.

BYLAW READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME AND PASSED THIS 13<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MAY 2019.

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BASIL CLARKE, MAYOR

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JENNIFER CONNOR, CLERK

# **FIREWORKS NOTIFICATION**

**No person shall set off any *fireworks* on any public street or roadway within Lagoon City and Bayshore Village in the Township of Ramara at any time.**

**Consumer Fireworks within Lagoon City and Bayshore Village of the Township of Ramara area do not require a permit and are only permitted on the following days and times:**

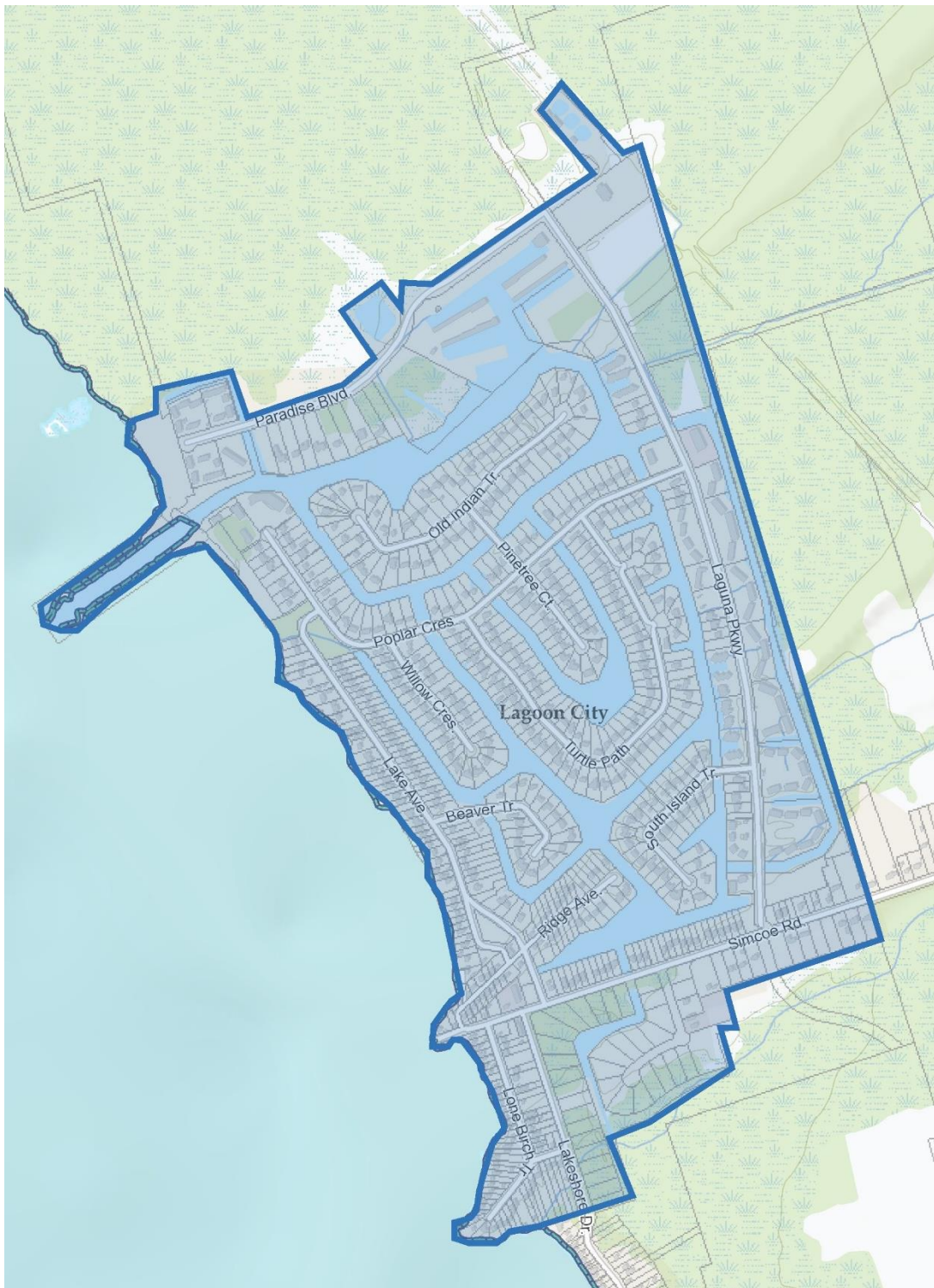
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# SCHEDULE "B"

## Lagoon City



# SCHEDULE "C"

## Bayshore Village

