

# Order of the City of Simonton Mayor

To: **ALL RESIDENTS OF SIMONTON**  
From: Mayor Daniel McJunkin  
CC: Simonton City Council  
Date: 8/16/2013  
Re: **BAN ON OUTDOOR BURNING**

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With the City Council passing Ordinance 2012-11 (see caption of such Ordinance at the bottom of this Order; see City Secretary's Office for a copy of the full Ordinance), the Mayor has been authorized to order the implementation and enforcement of a ban on outdoor burning within the City of Simonton; therefore, the following order has been declared:

**THE MAYOR HEREBY ORDERS A BAN ON ALL OUTDOOR BURNING IN ACCORDANCE WITH ORDINANCE 2012-11, WITH THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONS:**

- Exception #1. Small amounts of **non-toxic** household trash may be burned during the outdoor burning ban, during daylight hours, in an enclosed container (example a burn barrel with a screen wire or metal mesh cover over the top) provided there is a water hose with water at the fire and the person doing the burning remains at the fire until it is fully extinguished and wet down; provided, however, outdoor burning under this subsection is never allowed after dark; and
- Exception #2. Burning may be conducted for the purpose of noncommercial cooking or heating in a device designated for such purpose by the manufacturer, provided such device is designed to contain all flames and/or sparks; and
- Exception #3 Exemptions to this ordinance may be permitted by the Fort Bend County Fire Marshal or the Chief (or assistant Chief) of the Fulshear-Simonton Volunteer Fire Department.

## ORDINANCE 2012-11

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SIMONTON, TEXAS, PROHIBITING BURNING OF TRASH, GARBAGE, BRUSH OR OTHER REFUSE WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF SIMONTON AFTER DARK AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ISSUE A BAN ON OUTDOOR BURNING DURING PERIODS WHEN FORT BEND COUNTY HAS ISSUED A BAN ON OUTDOOR BURNING; PROVIDING A PENALTY IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,000.00 FOR ANY VIOLATION OF ANY PROVISION OF THIS ORDINANCE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT OR IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY.**

Daniel McJunkin, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
S. Purcell, City Secretary

