ORDINANCE NUMBER 13-13

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARICOPA, ARIZONA, AMENDING SECTION 18-3-6 OF THE MARICOPA CITY CODE REGARDING FIREARMS, DANGEROUS WEAPONS AND FIREWORKS IN CITY PARKS AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND THE EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF.

WHEREAS, on September 5, 2006, the City of Maricopa approved Ordinance 06-14 adopting Chapter 18 Park Rules and Regulations as part of the City Code; and

WHEREAS, Arizona Revised Statutes now limit the City's ability to regulate the possession of a firearm in a City park; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Maricopa believe, after consultation with its staff, that amending Section 18-3-6 of the Maricopa City would be in the best interest of the City of Maricopa.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARICOPA, ARIZONA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That the language contained in Section 18-3-6 of the Maricopa City Code regarding Firearms and Dangerous Weapons in a park and all amendments thereto are hereby repealed in its entirety and replaced with the following:

It shall be unlawful for any person to:

- (A) Fire or discharge, or cause to be fired or discharged across, in, or into any portion of a park any gun or firearm, spear, bow and arrow, crossbow, sling shot, rocket launcher, air or gas weapon or any other dangerous weapon or projectile, except for purposes designated by the City of Maricopa in areas and at times designated by the City of Maricopa
- (B) Set off or attempt to set off or ignite any firecracker, fireworks, smoke bombs, rockets, black powder guns or other pyrotechnics without authorization from the City of Maricopa.
- **SECTION 2.** To the extent of any conflict between other City Ordinances and this Ordinance, this Ordinance shall be deemed to be controlling; provided, however, that this Ordinance is not intended to amend or repeal any existing City Ordinance, Resolution or regulation except as expressly set forth herein.
- **SECTION 3.** If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of

competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days from the date of adoption by the City Council for the City of Maricopa.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Maricopa, Arizona, this 19^{th} day of November, 2013.

APPROVED:

Christian Price

Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Vanessa Bueras, CMC

City Clerk

Denis Fitzgibbons

City Attorney

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