ORDINANCE NO. 645
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 8.24.040 AND 8.24.050 OF THE TROUTDALE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO CONSTRUCTION NOISE AND HOURS OF OPERATION
WHEREAS, there have been numerous citizen complaints about the hours of operation and level of noise associated with construction activity within and near residential neighborhoods; and,
WHEREAS, Troutdale Municipal Code (TMC), Chapter 8.24, regulates and controls noise within the City; and,
WHEREAS, the current noise control ordinance does not adequately regulate construction activity and has proven difficult to enforce; and,
WHEREAS, it is evident to the City Council that changes to the noise control ordinance are necessary in order to better protect residents of the City from construction related noise and the hours that construction activity can occur; and,
WHEREAS, defining hours of operation and noise levels for construction activity will contribute to the health, safety and welfare of all Troutdale residents;
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TROUTDALE THAT:
Section 1: Troutdale Municipal Code, Section 8.24.040, is amended as shown in Exhibit A.
Section 2: Troutdale Municipal Code, Section 8.24.050, is amended as shown in Exhibit A.
Section 3: These amendments shall take effect thirty days from the date of adoption.
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Paul Thalholer, Mayor
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George Martinez, City Recorder Adopted: ///2/96

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Amendments to Troutdale Municipal Code Related to CONSTRUCTION NOISE and HOURS OF OPERATION

New language is highlighted. Language to be deleted is stricken.

Sound level limitations established. 8.24.040

- No person shall operate, cause or allow on private property any source of sound in a A. manner as to create a sound level which exceeds the limits set forth in this section for the receiving land use category as designated when measured at or within the property boundaries of the receiving land use.
- B. Sound levels shall be limited to the values stated below and expressed in decibels. Acres from which sound emanates shall be divided into two classifications. The first class is "existing use" and shall include all property which was being used or was under construction as of July 1, 1980, and intended for use as residential, commercial or manufacturing. Property within the existing use class shall remain subject to the limits set forth in subsection B1 of this section, according to the then existing use, until the use is changed or is discontinued for one year or more. All other property shall be subject to sub-section B2 of this section.

Existing Use Properties.

Zone of Receiver

Zone-of-Source	Residential	Commercial	Manufacturing
Residential	55	60	65
Commercial	60	70	70
Manufacturing	65	70	75

Other-Properties.

	Zone of Receiver			
Zone of Source	Residential	Commercial	Manufacturing Industrial	
Residential	55	60	65	
Commercial	55	65	65	
Manufacturing Industrial	60	65	70	

C. All numbers are the maximum permissible sound levels indicated by decibels. Any area not coming within a designated land use zone will be treated as coming within the most restrictive (i.e., residential) designation. (Ord. 352-0 § 2 (7.30.125), 1981)

8.24.050 Exceptions to Section **8.24.040**

A. Section 8.24.040 shall not apply to aircraft and aircraft operations, railway locomotives and cars, motor boats or nonstationary farming equipment.

AB. Section 8.24.040 shall not apply to construction, except that: Operating or permitting the operation of any tools or equipment used in construction, drilling or demolition work provided that the construction, drilling or demolition work occurs during the following lawful hours: between the hours of ten p.m. and seven a.m. the following day, such that the sound therefrom creates a disturbance across a residential real property boundary is subject to those limits described in Section 8.24.040 of this chapter.

Mondays through Fridays
Saturdays
Sundays

7 a.m. to 9 p.m.
8 a.m. to 7 p.m.
10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

No construction, drilling or demolition work is permitted outside these hours. This subsection does not apply to domestic power tools covered in subsection BCof this section.

BC. Section 8.24.040 of this chapter shall not apply to domestic power tools, except that: Operating or permitting the operation of any domestic power tool, such as a mechanically powered saw, sander, drill, grinder, lawn, or garden tool, snowblower or similar device used outdoors in residential areas, and not used in construction, drilling or demolition work regulated under subsection B of this section, provided that operation of the domestic power tool occurs during the lawful hours of 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily. No domestic power tool regulated by this subsection shall be operated outdoors in residential areas during the hours of 10:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. daily: between the hours of ten p.m. and seven a.m. the following day so as to cause a noise disturbance across a residential real property is subject to the limits described in Section 8:24.040 of this chapter. (Ord. 352-O § 2 (7.30.130), 1981)

8.24.060 Exception due to emergency situation.

It shall be a defense to a violation of Section 8.24.040 or 8.24.050 of this chapter that at the time of the violation there existed an emergency which compelled the person to cause the noise or sound in question.

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