

## City of Grover Beach

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## FIREWORKS STAND PERMIT PROCESS SCHEDULED TO OPEN IN APRIL

Grover Beach, CA — The Fireworks Stand Permit process for selling "safe and sane fireworks" for the July 4<sup>th</sup> Independence Day Celebration is scheduled to open **Tuesday**, **April 9, 2013**. Applications may be filed with the City Clerk's Office between **Tuesday**, **April 9, 2013** through **Friday**, **May 31, 2013** during normal business hours. (Please note: City Hall offices will be closed on the following Fridays: April 12, April 26, and May 3, 2013 for mandatory unpaid employee furlough days, as well as Monday, May 27, 2013 in observance of Memorial Day.)

Only Grover Beach based non-profit organizations are eligible to apply (i.e., the organization's principal and permanent meeting place must be located and established in the City of Grover Beach for a minimum of three (3) continuous years preceding the filing of the application for the permit).

A maximum of four (4) fireworks stands will be permitted within the City limits and no organization may obtain more than one permit. Pursuant to Ordinance No. 05-04, the Grover Beach Chamber of Commerce and the Grover Beach Police Officers' Association shall have the right of first refusal.

<u>Fireworks sales</u>: The sale of fireworks will be allowed at approved fireworks stands for a seven-day period from 12 Noon on June 28<sup>th</sup> through 12 Noon on July 5<sup>th</sup> (GBMC Article III, Section 3992 (17))

<u>Public Discharge of Fireworks</u>: The discharge of "safe and sane fireworks" are authorized to occur only from: 1) 12 Noon on July 3<sup>rd</sup> through Midnight on July 5<sup>th</sup>; and 2) 12 Noon on December 30<sup>th</sup> through Midnight on January 1<sup>st</sup> (GBMC Article III, Section 3996).

Fireworks Stand Permit applications will be available as of **Tuesday**, **April 9**, **2013** at the City Clerk's Office, 154 South Eighth Street, Grover Beach, CA and from the City website at *www.grover.org*.

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