ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 22 OF THE CITY CODE
ENTITLED “FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION”

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina
that the Code of the City of Winston-Salem is hereby amended as follows:

Section 22. Sec. 22-6. Duties of fire prevention bureau; approval of construction plans; general
fire safety regulations. is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 22-6(f). Bonfires and rubbish fires.

No person shall kindle or maintain any bonfire or rubbish fire or authorize any such fire to be
kindled or maintained on any private property, or on or in any public ground, without a permit
or other proper authorization. For purposes of this ordinance, a "bonfire or rubbish fire" shall not
include fires used solely for outdoor cooking and other recreational purposes when such fires are:
(i) confined to a container (such as a fire pit or chiminea) which is subject to approval by the Fire
Chief and/or their designee; (ii) located at least 25 feet away from any structure; (iii) lit with dry
wood or kindling and not any accelerant, garbage, garden clippings or the like; (iv) maintained
with only seasoned wood and not any garbage, garden clippings, debris or the like; and (v) are
limited in size to no more than 3 feet in height and 2 feet in diameter. During construction or
demolition of buildings or structures, no waste materials or rubbish shall be disposed of by burning
on premises or in the immediate vicinity without having obtained a permit or other proper
authorization. Furthermore, no person shall kindle or maintain any such fire which emits smoke
or fumes in such quantity as to create a hazard or nuisance and no person shall kindle or maintain
any fire when outdoor burning is prohibited due to weather or other hazardous conditions.