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RESTRICTIONS ON CONSTRUCTION NOISE TAKING EFFECT

LAKE OSWEGO- Neighborhoods should begin to sound a little quieter in September when a new City ordinance goes into effect that limits construction activity in residential areas on Sundays and observed holidays.

In response to increased construction activity, residents approached the City Council and requested relief from the noise to preserve the livability of their neighborhoods. Residents complained of construction noise from early in the morning to late at night. Councilors passed Ordinance 2425 at the August 2 meeting to address the concerns.

Work requiring building, plumbing, mechanical, or electrical permits will now be prohibited in residential zones on Sundays and some holidays. Restricted holidays include Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas Day, and New Years Day. Monday and Friday observances are also included.

For construction activity that does not require a permit, the hours of operation on Sundays and holidays will now be limited to 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The limit was previously 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. The designated weekday hours of 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday hours of 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. will remain unchanged.

For further information, or to read the ordinance in its entirety, visit the Planning Department and City Code pages at www.ci.oswego.or.us.