



Hello Town Clerk's Staff,

Please note the following response to Delegate Request Application has been submitted at Thursday October 19th 2023 9:59 AM with reference number 2023-10-19-016.

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Application Information

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- **Town**
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- **Are you representing a group?**
No
- **Council Meeting Date**
10/23/2023
- **Please indicate how you intend to participate during the Council Meeting**
Both audio and video
- **Please describe the issue you intend to present:**
Cultural and Tradition Preservation: Fireworks are deeply ingrained in the cultural and traditional celebrations of many societies around the



world. Banning fireworks can be seen as a threat to these cherished customs. For example, fireworks are a central part of Fourth of July celebrations in the United States, Diwali in India, and Lunar New Year in various Asian countries, Canada day & Victoria Day in our country.

Economic Impact: The fireworks industry supports numerous jobs, from manufacturers to retailers and event organizers. Banning fireworks could have a detrimental economic impact on these sectors, especially during holidays and festivals when fireworks are in high demand.

Responsible Use: Advocates argue that it's more reasonable to promote the responsible use of fireworks rather than outright bans. Implementing safety regulations, age restrictions, and public education campaigns can help reduce accidents and hazards associated with fireworks.

Personal Freedom: Many individuals value the freedom to celebrate and express themselves with fireworks. A ban can be seen as an infringement on personal freedom and the right to enjoy private and public celebrations as one sees fit, within the bounds of safety and common sense.

Tourism and Attraction: Fireworks displays are often a major draw for tourism and visitors. Tourists frequently plan trips to cities or regions known for their spectacular fireworks shows. Banning fireworks could negatively impact tourism and local economies.

Community Building: Fireworks are often used to bring communities together for celebrations and social events. These communal experiences can strengthen bonds, foster a sense of unity, and promote neighborly relationships.

Alternative Solutions: Instead of an outright ban, proponents argue that governments and organizations can invest in research and development to create more eco-friendly and safer fireworks. Advances in pyrotechnics technology are already reducing the environmental impact and noise associated with traditional fireworks.

Revenue Generation: Some jurisdictions levy taxes on fireworks sales, and this revenue can be directed toward public services, infrastructure, or environmental conservation efforts. Banning fireworks could lead to a loss of such revenue.

Controlled Displays: Allowing licensed professionals to handle fireworks displays, such as those at major events, can ensure a higher degree of safety and controlled use, while also minimizing the environmental impact.

Personal Responsibility: Advocates argue that individuals should be responsible for their own actions and decisions regarding fireworks. Promoting education on firework safety and enforcing consequences for misuse can be more effective than a blanket ban.

In conclusion, the debate over whether or not to ban fireworks is multifaceted, and there are valid arguments in favor of preserving the tradition and allowing responsible use. Striking a balance between cultural significance, safety, and environmental concerns is essential in addressing this issue

- **Please describe specific actions you want Council to take:**

To provide specific actions for a council, it's important to know the context and the issues at hand. However, I can offer some general examples of actions that a council might consider depending on the situation.

- **Please provide your comments in support of or in opposition to the staff recommendation:**

Due to limitation of space nowadays in residential area, council can organize specific open area space for personal displays and can monitor with all safety measures. In addition, city can charge sum of amount to personnel to use that specific space provided by city.

- **Do you give your permission to be audio and video recorded on the Town of Milton's live Council meeting stream?**

Yes I give my permission