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Fireworks

Lisa C. Kunz

From: Lisa C. Kunz
Sent: Tuesday, July 7, 2020 8:15 AM
To: 'Michael and Lorna Emineth'
Subject: RE: Fireworks

Good Morning Michael and Lorna – your comments will be shared with the Commission and appropriate staff for consideration prior to this evening’s meeting.

Thank you.

Lisa Kunz

City Clerk/Records Manager
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Great Falls, MT 59403
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From: Michael and Lorna Emineth <m-l-emineth@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, July 6, 2020 8:32 PM
To: commission <commission@greatfallsmt.net>
Subject: Fireworks

Dear Members of the City Commission:

My husband and I want to express our unhappiness over the city’s policy on fireworks. We would love to have it abolished! We are senior citizens, property owners, taxpayers, and law-abiding citizens, and have lived here over 60 years. This past July 4th was the absolute worst!!! It was like WW3 all around us. The noise starts as soon as they are for sale and quits about a week afterwards because the regulations mean nothing. Neither do the time restraints. They go off during the day and well past midnight, even until 3 am (as well as around New Year’s Day.) We have tried everything: earplugs, earbuds, headphones, loud music, brown noise, tv full-blast, to no avail. I’m sure this is no surprise to you, but it has affected more than just our sleep. For two weeks we are exhausted and cannot function normally!!! We believe that we are NOT in the minority concerning this dilemma. Billings, Helena, Missoula, Kalispell, and Columbia Falls have wised-up and stopped this outrage and it is time we did, too. It is truly an assault on our senses and well-being. We can’t believe just how rude, inconsiderate, fire hazardous, and just plain dangerous this is! Plus, litter is also all over the place because people do not keep it within their own yards- they take it to the streets and alleys. We, along with our friends think that these fireworks are an infringement upon OUR rights and freedoms. Why do we have to suffer, lose sleep, and the ability to function the next day because of the selfishness of others? Doing fireworks to show one’s patriotism is meaningless; it’s just an excuse to make noise. True patriotism is showing love for your country and fellow man. This hardly fits the bill. Please abolish this outdated “tradition” and let’s leave it to the professionals. I would appreciate a reply. Thank you very much.

Michael and Lorna Emineth

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Ticket ID

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Fireworks

Status: Open

Assigned To: lkunz (City Commission)

Ticket ID: 21001a834

Email: Fden5069@gmail.com

Name: Dennis Franz

Phone Number: 406 788 1163

It's time to limit setting off fireworks in the city to the 4 of July. Two days prior is to much, we have no got much sleep for two days now due to the noise. The over the counter fireworks they are selling now are almost commercial grade and sound like cannons going off plus I think some people are shooting off commercial fireworks.

Ticket History

Open

Updated By: lkunz

Assigned To: lkunz (City Commission)

Good Morning Dennis - your comments will be shared with the Commission and appropriate City staff for consideration. Thank you for your comments.

Take care.

Lisa Kunz, City Clerk

07/07/2020 - 11:20am

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Citizen request/question created.

07/04/2020 - 8:06am

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CITY CLERK

820 47th Street South
Great Falls, MT 59405
July 5, 2020

Mayor Bob Kelly
City of Great Falls
P.O. Box 5021
Great Falls, MT 59403

Re: Fireworks

Dear Mayor Kelly,

Last night was pure Hell!!! As a war veteran, I felt that I was back in Korea!!!
Could we as a city, do away with all of the noise and just live happily- ever- after? Yes,
the fourth of July shows our freedom, but could we just have a parade? The last time that
I looked at the clock , it was 3:00 A.M.. The noise wasn't that late, but I just couldn't get
to sleep!!!

Sincerely,



Doug Clanin
US56120248

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Great Falls, MT 59405
July 4, 2020

Mayor Bob Kelly
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Great Falls, MT 59403

Re: Fireworks

Dear Mayor Kelly,

Please outlaw fireworks within the city of Great Falls. Tonight seemed like a WAR ZONE!!! Especially from 10:00 P.M. to 12:00 A.M., fireworks were coming from every direction. 819 47th Street South was especially BAD which is immediately across the street from us, and they did fireworks Friday night, also. Fireworks in the neighborhood went everywhere, over our house with even a tracer coming up our driveway and hitting me in the foot since I was standing outside my garage door watching for any fire hazard. Fortunately, I had boots on so I didn't get hurt. My next door neighbor stopped his fireworks because I told him. "I didn't appreciate all of the activity;"

My husband and I both agreed that this July 4th was the worst that we have ever seen in Great Falls in fifty years. He also, thought that it looked and sounded like a WAR ZONE.

PLEASE BAN FIREWORKS IN GREAT FALLS, MONTANA!!!

Sincerely,



Rachel Clanin