

## Lisa C. Kunz

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**From:** Lisa C. Kunz  
**Sent:** Monday, July 28, 2025 9:29 AM  
**To:** 'Bob Brown'  
**Subject:** RE: City Fireworks

Good Morning - thank you for your written public comments. Your comments will be shared with the Commission and appropriate staff for their consideration of Resolution 10596 during tomorrow evening's meeting.

Best regards,

Lisa Kunz  
City Clerk/Records Manager  
Civic Center Room 204  
406.455.8451

-----Original Message-----

From: Bob Brown <1bobcathy@gmail.com>  
Sent: Saturday, July 26, 2025 11:28 AM  
To: commission <commission@greatfallsmt.net>  
Subject: City Fireworks

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As a homeowner in Great Falls I do not appreciate fireworks in the city. I have a flat roof home that could easily be set afire by a rocket landing on my roof. Liability in a case like that would be impossible to prove. Fireworks, except for sparklers, novelty snaps, poppers, bang snaps, & throwdowns, should be banned in the city!

Bob Brown  
(406) 788-4979

Sent from my iPhone

## **Lisa C. Kunz**

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**From:** Lisa C. Kunz  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 29, 2025 9:45 AM  
**To:** 'Jeni Dodd'  
**Subject:** RE: Fireworks-- put it on the ballot

Thank you for your written public comments, Jeni. Your comments will be shared with the Commission and appropriate staff for consideration of Resolution 10596 that will be discussed during this evening's special meeting regarding whether or not to set a public hearing for August 5, 2025.

Best regards,

*Lisa Kunz*

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**From:** Jeni Dodd <jeni@jenidodd.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 29, 2025 8:54 AM  
**To:** commission <commission@greatfallsmt.net>  
**Subject:** Fireworks-- put it on the ballot

I don't understand why any commissioner would deny the people a vote on this issue, especially since the cost of adding it to the ballot is negligible. What was it, \$88?

Jeni Dodd  
Great Falls Resident

**Jeni**

**Ephesians 5:11**

**Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead, expose them.**

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**From:** Terry Bjork <tlbjork@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 29, 2025 10:37 AM  
**To:** City Commissioners  
**Subject:** fireworks restriction option #3

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Commissioners

Fireworks restriction option #3 is never going to pass in Great Falls.

It is far too expansive with its inclusion of plain old firecrackers and anything that explodes. It will get crushed. I will vote against that myself. If you're serious about any sort of fireworks restriction there should be a much more finely considered option that addresses limits with a smaller scope.

What people constantly complain about is the big mortar aerial bombs, the ones we didn't even have when I was a kid but have become far more common since then. These are the ones that rival commercial shows, fly high over the neighborhoods, explode loudly scaring animals and some people, and shower neighboring properties with sparks and garbage. I have not heard anyone throughout this process complain about the regular firecrackers like we have had here since well before I was a kid. Except maybe ground explosives like M-80s and cherry bombs which AFAIK are already illegal or at least used to be. Yet we're allowing explosives just that strong to be shot in the air.

If a fireworks restriction measure fails in November the current wild west unlimited fireworks situation will be written in stone for the foreseeable future because the public will have spoken. And the giant fireworks enthusiasts will feel even more empowered.

Please take a 2nd look and craft some custom proposal (option 4?) that addresses the limited number of real problem fireworks such as the mortar aerial bombs and large skyrockets and cherry bomb class firecrackers, a proposal that might have a halfway realistic chance of passing. It is going to be tough enough as it is. If indeed there's real intent to limit fireworks as opposed to just putting a public vote on the issue into the record.

Thank you for your consideration.

Terry Bjork

Great Falls

**From:** City of Great Falls Montana <greatfalls-mt@municodeweb.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 29, 2025 11:32 AM  
**To:** City Commissioners  
**Subject:** [All City Commissioners] Fireworks Education

Britta Oliverson ([oliversonb@tntfireworks.com](mailto:oliversonb@tntfireworks.com)) sent a message using the contact form at <https://greatfallsmt.net/>.

I want to say “thank you” for taking time to meet with our industry and give us insight to the concerns that face Great Falls as it relates to fireworks.

As mentioned in that meeting, we would love to partner with you and the county to do a robust safety and education campaign going into 2026. I do think that the Bucket Brigade concept can be an effective way to get some great messaging out as well as give a very practical way for fire authorities and communities to get involved together.

I have attached some safety information that might be useful for you this year in terms of digital social media safety materials that can be used. In addition I’ve given you some links to look through that highlight what the state of Colorado and communities have done surrounding the Bucket Brigade.

I think this could be a great PR event for you for 2026. Please let me know how we can help get this on track for you. Please reach out to me if there is anything I can do.

Bucket Brigade | Fire Prevention and Control

I want to say “thank you” for taking time to meet with our industry and give us insight to the concerns that face Clark County as it relates to fireworks.

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<https://dfpc.colorado.gov/bucket-brigade>

[www.celebratesafely.org](http://www.celebratesafely.org)

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Thank you!

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f1aznGcikwA>

Thank you!

Britta Oliverson

Montana Area Manager

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