



STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT, UTILITIES AND CORPORATE SERVICES

Implications for Recognizing Religious and Cultural Celebrations for Fireworks Displays

Recommendation of the Committee

That the City Solicitor be requested to amend Bylaw No. 7990, *The Fire and Protective Services Bylaw, 2001* to add Diwali and Lunar New Year as two additional days where low hazard fireworks are permitted.

History

The Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities and Corporate Services, at its meeting held on August 8, 2023, considered a report of the Saskatoon Fire regarding the above. The following people spoke to Committee:

- Aleem Kanji, Canadian National Fireworks Association;
- John Adria, Uncle John's Fireworks; and
- Ramesh Thirumalai.

The Committee received letters from Aleem Kanji, Shawn Mitchler, Zach Petrachek and Ramesh Thirumalai.

In addition to the above-noted recommendation, your Committee also resolved that the Administration provide additional reporting about opportunity to engage further with vendors to promote responsible and permitted use of fireworks. A summary page provided by Saskatoon Fire is appended to this report.

Attachment

August 8, 2023 report of the Saskatoon Fire.

August 4, 2023 letter from Aleem Kanji, Canadian National Fireworks Association.

August 6, 2023 letter from John Adria, Uncle John's Fireworks.

August 7 2023 letter from Ramesh Thirumalai.

November 10, 2022 letter from Aleem Kanji, Canadian National Fireworks Association.

November 14, 2022 letter from Shawn Mitchler.

November 15 2022 letter from Zach Petrachek.

August 4, 2023 letter from Ramesh Thirumalai.

August 30, 2023 Summary Page from Saskatoon Fire.