From:

Sent: August 26, 2021 10:56 AM

To: DNV Input

Subject: FW: Potential Fireworks Ban

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From: Dan Curry

Sent: August 23, 2021 11:51 AM

To: Mayor and Council - DNV < Council@dnv.org>

Subject: Potential Fireworks Ban

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Dear Mayor and Council,

It is my understanding that a date for public consultation will soon be announced.

I have spoken to the Mayor on this subject from the view that this is yet another 'nail in the coffin' of neighbourhood activity (think the decline of block parties, etc) but I would also urge you to consider a potential ban through a logical, fact-based lens:

- 1) This ban will eliminate the current system of control and regulation that allows for the legal purchase and use of fireworks in the DNV, this means that what will be left are only the people who use fireworks illegally (in public parks, back alleys, outside of the permitted date and time, etc), in other words the people who are responsible for the vast majority of the complaints will be the only ones still using fireworks in the DNV. These people will continue to do what they have always done, only the less than 100 people who actually took the time to apply and obtain for a permit will be affected.
- 2) Fireworks will still be available for purchase in the DNV. All First Nations will continue to sell fireworks as the DNV does not govern their territory. Fireworks will also still be available for purchase online and in other municipalities. This ban will not affect supply, only a Federal ban would affect supply and even then there many examples of other banned items that people continue to use obtain.
- 3) Fireworks on Halloween night represent a tiny fraction of air and noise pollution. If we are okay with vehicle pollution and construction noise than 4 hours of fireworks, once per year should not be an issue. Again, those that use fireworks outside of this specific time period are already breaking the law.
- 4) Animals and pets can be spooked by any number of noises. Dogs and cats run away all the time. It could be the crack of a baseball bat or a lightning strike, to say that people cannot responsibly use fireworks during a 4 hour period, once per year, because it might frighten a pet is a complete over-reaction.

It is also important to remember that people generally do not write to council on subjects they are satisfied with, the emls you have received in support of the ban represent a small minority of individuals who are most likely under the mistaken impression that fireworks on Halloween will be a thing of the past if this ban passes. People that do not take issue with the 4 hour period on Halloween Day that the Permit System allows for the use of fireworks are not going to eml you to tell you they have no complaints.

Thank you,

Dan

Daniel Curry

Subject: fireworks in the District Of North Vancouver

Date: September 29, 2021 12:36:14 PM

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Dear Mayor and Council,
In my view fireworks should be band from
the District of North Vancouver.
We have some very causious neighbourhoods abiding
by the rules, but unfortunately there is always injuries to people
and negative effects to wildlife. We have far too many people
in our society today that does not act responsibley. (just look at the anti vaccine movement)
People still leave unlocked garbage out which has resulted in
the death of several black bears in the DNV.
We are becoming a society which feels they are entitled to do what ever they like.
Louise Nagle

This is a written submission to District of North Vancouver's "Amendments to the Fireworks Bylaw 7456"

By Janet Dysart,			
30 th September,	2021		

While not quite understanding the words "public vs private" in terms of numbers, as I see some people may see a group of friends (not all family members) enjoying a fireworks party as being private. I, as a neighbour, would see it as invasive of my privacy, therefore public. My belief is that DNV should go further with this Bylaw to include environmental impacts. Read on-

Would there be more enforcement of those people who let off fireworks in urban forest areas, just for fun? Living beside a park, Halloween is a dreaded time as extremely loud "bomb-like" fireworks are heard, impacting not only a quiet neighourhood but the wildlife that is already stressed environmentally. I would be interested in seeing a ban on using fireworks in our local forests.

Quote: "The threat to wildlife doesn't stop at startling lights and sounds; **fireworks** also have the potential of starting wildfires, directly affecting wildlife and destroying essential habitat. Litter from firecrackers, bottle rockets and other explosives can be choking hazards for wildlife and may be toxic if ingested". BBC Science Forum

We know the impact of fireworks is chemical pollution of air and water. IF DNV is now working on the climate emergency, surely this should be considered. There are eco-friendly fireworks, although I am not sure if that would help reduce pollution.

Quote: Why are fireworks bad for the environment?

A scientist told Forbes that when the fireworks go off, the metal salts and explosives undergo a chemical reaction that releases smoke and gases into the air. That includes carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide, and nitrogen—three greenhouse gases that are unfortunately responsible for climate change. Jun. 28, 2021

I support the amendments to Fireworks Regulation Bylaw #7456, however would like to see more inclusion re: environmental impacts.

Subject: FW: Potential fireworks ban **Date:** October 05, 2021 12:40:07 PM

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From:

Sent: October 05, 2021 11:54 AM

To: Mayor and Council - DNV < Council@dnv.org >

Subject: Potential fireworks ban

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Dear Council:

As I wrote in support of a fireworks ban last year, I will keep my supportive comments brief this time around.

While fireworks might be deemed "fun" by some District residents, those of us who worry about wildlife and pets regard them as frightening and dangerous. Those of us with pets have to spend the time around Halloween trying to comfort our frightened pets as "bangers" are exploded at all hours of the day and night. However, at least we can keep our pets indoors where they can creep into places where they feel a bit safer. Wild animals, on the other hand, are outside, subjected to the immediate brunt of the noise, sparks, and smoke, often in very close proximity. It must be utterly terrifying for them. Simply on the grounds of fireworks being cruel and risky to wildlife, I support bylaw 8516.

I fervently hope the sale and use of fireworks will be banned in the District.

Sincerely,

Ros Britten.

Subject: Public Meeting: Proposed Amendments to Fireworks Regulations Bylaw

Date: October 05, 2021 8:33:07 PM

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I strongly object to the proposed amendment the DNV Fireworks Regulations Bylaw ("to prohibit the sale, possession and use of consumer fireworks in DNV"), as advertized in North Shore News. Letting off fireworks on Canada Day and on Halloween is an **intrinsic part of our Canadian heritage and social traditions**, and should continue to be allowed in DNV. The noise is a minor and temporary inconvenience to pets and wildlife. The fire risk is minimal in our wet environment. The Community Charter allows DNV to introduce noise bylaws, but only to serve the interest of residents. I believe DNV is exceeding its prerogative in proposing this bylaw, and this proposal seems to be just a case of political correctness. Fireworks should continue to be enjoyed by all residents as part of our social fabric.

Regards, Geoff Cooper Subject: fireworks amendment

Date: October 06, 2021 3:22:15 PM

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Hello, I am not sure if I will be able to make the zoom meeting on this amendment so I wanted to voice my opinion in an email.

I really hope this amendment gets passed. If I am reading it correctly, it would mean that children, teens, and even parents would no longer be allowed to buy or set off fireworks (all kinds???) unless they have a business licence or an event permit....is that right?

Now, what about on the Capilano Reserve? A lot of fireworks noises and displays seem to come from that area. And my friend who lives on the reserve said there are no bylaws restricting them from buying or setting off fireworks. Will this change with this new amendment?

Thank you for your time, Sandra Tweed From:
To:
DNV Input
Subject:
Fireworks Ban

Date: October 06, 2021 5:02:48 PM

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Just to write my support of a fireworks ban (or if not an outright ban, at least some serious restrictions). I am against fireworks because:

- in the wrong hands, they can be dangerous. I'd be interested in the stats on firework injuries
- people have been known to intentionally aim them at cars and even people (!)
- they frighten most dogs and cats and this goes on for weeks
- there are no restrictions on times so they go off, constantly, all through the night and early morning of Halloween and the weeks surrounding
- the leftover fireworks litter is an eyesore
- smoke and air quality issues
- not ideal for anyone with PTSD
- I wonder about fire risks associated with fireworks. Luckily our rain is back now but it's hard to forget the dry, wildfire summer we just had.
- I guess I don't get the appeal. One fireworks display, one night, organized by the fire department would be ideal

Thanks for reading Tasha Moran

Subject: Bylaw 8516 Fireworks amendment

Date: October 08, 2021 4:46:17 PM

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Oct 8, 2021

Mayor Little and DNV Councillors,

Anything you can do to stop the Fireworks will be welcome.

The fireworks that are sold to the public nowadays are not the same as they were when we were kids growing up in North Vancouver. We had a few displays and a few bangs. It was fun for half an hour and then it was over.

The fireworks that are sold now seem to be about one grade less than Para-Military "flash bang" grenades...they go on for hours. Every year there seems to be a competition as to which neighbour can make more noise and bigger displays than the guy up the street.

Please, listen to the public the RCMP and Firefighters and mostly, our poor frightened animals. This has got to be curtailed now!

John Walsh

Subject: Fire works ban (Pro)

Date: October 10, 2021 11:19:43 AM

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I am writing simply to voice my support for a ban on fireworks in the city of North Vancouver. I have multiple reasons to support this ban, however I don't believe any of them are new or novel, I suspect you've heard all of them before.

Thanks,

-Darcy Corder

Subject: Proposed fireworks ban **Date:** October 10, 2021 11:24:46 AM

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Dear Madams and Sirs,

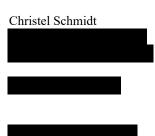
I agree with the proposed ban on fireworks for several reasons.

Having lived in Berlin, Germany for many years, I, my friends and their pets have all been terrorized by people who have intentionally or not, set off fireworks (on New Year's Eve) that upset animals, damaged cars, plant and windows.

I was personally hit by some sort of detonated device which hit my hair. No real damage was done but the shock and distrust of people with no skill who handle fireworks has remained.

I am all for a centrally organized fireworks display so that people can enjoy the lights but think it should be left in the hands of "professionals."

Faithfully yours,



Subject: Comments on fireworks ban **Date:** October 10, 2021 2:29:07 PM

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Hello,

I am writing to voice my strong support for the proposed fireworks ban. Fireworks cause unreasonable risk to people and property. Risk would be greatly reduced if permits, training and supervision were required for fireworks. Each year there are numerous groups of people who use fireworks in the park near our place, very close to houses and trees. It is unnerving and honestly seems a bit ridiculous that people can use explosives without training, simply because it's been allowed in past years.

I urge the Council to put in place a ban or stringent controls on fireworks as soon as possible.

Thank you for considering my input.

Kelly Rosland

Date: October 10, 2021 2:50:29 PM

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I'm against the fireworks ban

From:
To:
Subject:
DNV Input
Fireworks ban

Date: October 10, 2021 2:52:36 PM

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I'm against the fireworks ban this city is so lame the so called people in charge have taken Every fun activity away from the people grow up

From:
To:
Subject:
DNV Input
Fireworks ban

Date: October 11, 2021 5:49:17 PM

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Hi there,

Banning fireworks in North Vancouver is taking away our rights and freedoms as a Canadian. We've celebrated fireworks at Halloween for a lifetime. You've taken that away from me and my family. There has been no consultation with the public. We are only weeks away from celebrating our LAST tradition at Halloween. And for what ? It's a disbelief that it will solve all of the worlds problems? No way! Fireworks can be bought from any native reserve. They can be bought online. I can pick them up at any time during the year. Why are you going to make our tradition illegal? Have you not learned anything about taking away a persons right and freedoms?

Thank you, Bill From:
To:
DNV Input
Subject:
Banning Fireworks

Date: October 11, 2021 7:08:55 PM

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We hate the fireworks. They're not like fireworks in years gone by. These sound like bombs going off. They're so loud and they go off days before Halloween and days after. Our dog hates it. If fireworks are banned, shouldn't selling them be banned?

Thank you for reviewing my opinion.

Regards,

Adele Barnett

Subject: Support firework ban October 11, 2021 7:33:07 PM

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Hello,

I am a homeowner in the district and I am writing to support a firework ban in the district of North Vancouver for multiple reasons, from the environmental impact to the trauma they cause to children and pets.

Regards Alyssa From:
To:
Subject:
DNV Input
Fireworks Ban

Date: October 11, 2021 7:34:27 PM

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Dear Council and Mayor,

Ban fireworks.

They emit toxic chemicals, frighten animals and young children. This is a small step to improve the environment and the quality of life in North Vancouver. It costs the City nothing but removes noise and air pollution while reducing the risk of fire or injury.

Please ban fireworks. It is just common sense. It is time humans to grow up and reconsider some of our past activities in light of the effort needed to help our planet.

Yours truly,

Gordon Savage

From:
To:
Subject:
DNV Input
Fireworks ban

Date: October 11, 2021 7:42:42 PM

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To whom it may concern

The delay on the ban of fireworks sales has me perplexed as I personally see no upside to continuing with the lunacy which erupts every year for several days. The effects on pets and wildlife should be obvious with human injuries and close calls evident each year. To be one of the districts still allowing this ridiculousness to carry-on is embarrassing considering we are a district whose main concern should be the care of our wildlife and consideration for the high density of pets here on the North Shore. Let's move along on putting this ban into place please.

Maureen Fielding

From:
To:
Subject:
DNV Input
Fireworks

Date: October 11, 2021 8:21:23 PM

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I'd sure like to have a ban come into effect! There are too many dangers for fireworks to be in the hands of untrained persons. Leave it to the pyrotechnicians!

Even on private property there is spillover of noise & fire risk to others' properties. Fireworks keep other people and their kids up at night, scare other people's pets and wildlife within a large area outside of a private property where the fireworks are detonated. It seems similar to noisy parties that are attended by the police after calls from unhappy neighbours. Since policing fireworks seems to be problematic: after all, how can you ticket offenders if you can't find them? Perhaps the fines could be a little stiffer for sellers and buyers?

W. Penno

From:
To:
Subject:
DNV Input
Fireworks Ban

Date: October 11, 2021 9:46:16 PM

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Please ban fireworks.

As we were walking

As we were walking

fireworks down the road at pedestrian height. We told them to stop because it was dangerous, but they continued lighting them farther down the road. It was dangerous for anyone walking nearby and it was dangerous for cars driving. I do not know how these children acquired or bought the fireworks but the risk is too great for them and the public to continue to allow fireworks. Please ban fireworks.

Sincerely,

Sandra Roberts

Subject: Fireworks should be banned **Date:** October 11, 2021 10:22:14 PM

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Fireworks are detrimental to the mental health of our communities most vulnerable

Babies and young children and their struggling families

Stress, shock and anxiety by those youngster when they are woken or hear the fireworks puts added stress on already sleep deprived mothers and fathers and babies

Pets and per owners

Pets are terrified of the sound of fireworks. dog broke the leash and was never seen again when someone blew off firecrackers near the dog.

Bad for the environment from

Smoke and fumes

Leftover fireworks litter

Wildfire hazard

With more frequent drought condition and d leaves and brown parts of cedar branches hit by trees may lead to fires.

Threatening to your trick or treaters who may be afraid of getting roman candles shot at them or firecrackers thrown at them.

Rowdy Parties

Fireworks add to the propensity for a gathering focal point in parks for rowdy late night parties or teenagers etc. For example Kilmer Park often has troubles with fireworks based rowdy parties and fireworks being set off at all hours of the night and early am.

Please ban the fireworks to help stop the harm to our community.

Regards

Douglas Pronovost DNV Resident From:
To:
DNV Input
Subject:
Fireworks

Date: October 11, 2021 11:11:06 PM

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May I say that I do not like fireworks, I disagree with them being allowed. May I ask for them to be banned? They are a nuisance and have no purpose. They disturb the peace and negatively affect animals. During this time of active firework activity, I feel as if I am in a war zone. I want my peace.

Sincerely, Leslie Maier

Subject: Ban ALL FIREWORKS

Date: October 12, 2021 7:25:44 AM

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I want a ban on all fireworks. When people use them the firework can become dangerous, animals are frightened by the noise and they have the potential to start firs and badly injury any living thing. Sincerely

Lorna harding

Subject: North Vancouver Banning Fireworks **Date:** October 12, 2021 9:11:15 AM

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To whom it may concern,

We have been celebrating with fireworks for the past 15 years as our family celebrates Halloween. This is a holiday event that has been around for as long as my family can remember. It is not fair to ban fireworks because of the misinformation that is out there. It is not only our family that enjoys buying and using fireworks at Halloween but many other of my friend's families too! So much so that we started to sell fireworks in North Vancouver. We have to compete with the native reserves who will continue to sell fireworks regardless of any fireworks ban. Therefore, you will ban something we've all enjoyed at Halloween but will have no effect overall. I hope that you reconsider this ban and reverse it. I know my customers are going to miss it.

Thank you,

Sam

From:
To:
Subject:
DNV Input
Fireworks

Date: October 12, 2021 10:00:38 AM

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Please bring back fireworks.

Cheers.

From:
To:
DNV Input
Subject:
DNV fireworks ban

Date: October 12, 2021 10:13:57 AM

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Ηi

I am writing to express my support for this motion before Council tonight Tuesday October 12, 2021.

I am in favour of this , I've often thought of the trauma for dogs, cats, there's also the wildlife, and just recently heard of the

effects on those with PTSD. This would be unthinkable if you'd returned from a war, or were a refugee....

Also potential for injuries and property damage, etc.

I agree with the oversight of fireworks which you have proposed as noted in meeting notice and copied below,

- Prohibit the sale, possession and use of consumer fireworks in the District of North Vancouver
- Regulate the sale of fireworks for public display, requiring a valid District of North Vancouver business licence and specifying conditions for sale
- Regulate the discharge of fireworks for public display, requiring a valid Display Event Permit issued by the Fire Chief, and professional certification

Sincerely Judith Brook, District resident

"The solutions are clear. Inclusive and green economies, prosperity, cleaner air and better health are possible for all if we respond to this crisis with solidarity and courage".

- Source: UN Secretary-General António Guterres, on climate crisis

Subject: Halloween fireworks

Date: October 12, 2021 10:50:55 AM

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Please been Halloween fireworks

In 20019 hedge was torch by kids with Halloween fireworks-huge cost to the insurance company and lot of work for me

subsequently I have caught people shooting fireworks into my property during Halloween when tree debris was all dried and flammable-in more civilized times this would be called attempted arson

the fireworks are a pain in the butt and there are lots of substitute activities for family entertainment

Some of them are so powerful they should be classified as dangerous explosives-seem to be getting more powerful every year...

Subject: Firework Activity Vote

Date: October 12, 2021 11:53:40 AM

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Hello,

I may be too late, but I wanted to say that I do not like the fireworks happening in North Vancouver. It scares so many pets, children, and people just like me almost every night. I would love them to be banned. I hope you can do something about it.

Thank you very much, and I hope I am not too late.

Victoria Jackson

 From:
 Signup; DNV Input

 To:
 Signup; DNV Input

 Subject:
 Fwd: Firework Ban 2021

 Date:
 October 12, 2021 12:01:15 PM

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From: Jaine Hnik

Date: Tue, Oct 12, 2021 at 11:46 AM

Subject: Firework Ban 2021

To: < inupt@dnv.org >

Hi,

I'd just like to voice my opinion on this issue, and I know it is reflected by many of our neighbours.

We are responsible home owners who enjoy lighting a couple fireworks off the balcony on Hallowe'en. It is fun, and doesn't hurt anyone.

We have a few friends in Lynn valley who get together with other families/kids in the neighbourhood and light fireworks on Hallowe'en. The kids and parents love it and it brings the community together.

You do know that regardless of the ban, people are still going to want to light them, will obtain them illegally, and there will be more safety concerns because the supply won't be regulated and there will be no oversight.

Please, keep fireworks legal.

Thank you. Jaine Hnik

From:
To:
Subject:
DNV Input
Fireworks Ban

Date: October 12, 2021 12:43:11 PM

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Mayor, Council,

I am writing in support of a fireworks ban in North Vancouver.

Fireworks are polluting (both with chemicals and the plastic and cardboard waste they leave behind). They are noisy and give animals of all sorts anxiety. My 80 pound dog is absolutely scared of fireworks, he shivers and cowers when he hears them and then has to be coaxed outside for the next few weeks as he's worried about hearing them again. Many pets have this reaction, and I would think any wildlife hearing them would have the same anxiety. They are often used irresponsibly, creating a risk of injury to users and bystanders, or used late into the night when most people need to sleep for work or school the next day. No one needs to celebrate with fireworks, they are dangerous and wasteful.

I volunteer to pick up trash for the DNV, the DNV issued me a DNV trash picker! The bulk of the trash I pick up the week after big holidays is the remnants of fireworks. A shame.

Thanks for your consideration.

Regards, Glenda Savage From:
To:
Subject:
DNV Input
FW: Fireworks

Date: October 12, 2021 12:55:54 PM

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----Original Message----

From: Heather Denley

Sent: October 09, 2021 4:48 PM

To: Mayor and Council - DNV < Council@dnv.org>

Subject: Fireworks

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Good afternoon,

It has recently come to my attention that the firework ban starting next year is due to 151 people writing in to ban fireworks. I also realize that only 18 people wrote in to keep fireworks. I wish this was made more public because I would of sent this email right away.

I would like to voice my opinion to keep fireworks for Halloween.

Maybe it too late, but I thought I'd try anyways.

Have a good day,

Heather Denley

Subject: FW: Halloween Fireworks **Date:** October 12, 2021 12:56:55 PM

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From: Leanne Menzies

Sent: October 09, 2021 5:21 PM

To: Mayor and Council - DNV < Council@dnv.org >

Subject: Halloween Fireworks

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To whom is may concern,

Please don't take away the fireworks next year! I have a dog who doesn't appreciate them, however we have made such a tradition getting the neighbors together with all the kids! It is something they look forward to, almost as much as all the treats! They would be so sad to see them go! I hope council will consider the families that have integrated them into our traditions!

-Leanne

Smile! It's contagious!

Subject: FW: Halloween fireworks **Date:** October 12, 2021 12:59:29 PM

The below is forwarded for the record.

From: Lee Denley

Sent: October 11, 2021 8:24 PM

To: Mayor and Council - DNV <Council@dnv.org>

Cc: Lee Denley

Subject: Halloween fireworks

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Stopping Halloween fireworks? No way! They are a huge community tradition. They are a fundamental part of the Halloween enjoyment for the young and the old. They bring a sense of excitement and wonder to the eyes of the children. They are as important to the celebration of pumpkins, ghosts and zombies as are the lights at Christmas.

Enough said! Keep the fireworks at Halloween.

Lee Denley

Resident of the District of North Vancouver.

Subject: FW: Considerations for mayor **Date:** October 12, 2021 1:04:16 PM

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From: Kelsey Gavin

Sent: October 12, 2021 12:05 PM

To: Mayor and Council - DNV <Council@dnv.org>

Subject: Considerations for mayor

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Hello,

Please consider the below when discussing fireworks tonight. As the sentiment of protecting the environment is absolutely impossible to argue- I must admit this is not the hill to die on. One small display on one evening of the year is not going to make a difference. If council is serious about the environmental protection, there are more impactful bylaws that can be passed. I also agree with the noise concerns- however- the responsible families purchasing permits are not the correct targets to reduce noise. As I am sure you are aware, irresponsible people will likely continue to use fireworks outside the regulated time frame- banning the legal use will not likely change this.

I believe it is safer to allow people to use these fireworks in a controlled environment in a specific time frame. Personally, I have seen first hand the benefits of celebrating with neighbours, outdoors, in a time that social isolation is at it's height...

I am not sure how you will combat the complaints, justified as they are, against fireworks. I fear if you create this ban it will not satisfy those against fireworks (there will still be noise etc.) and you will tick off the families that put on shows for their neighbours- it truly is a lose-lose...

As the Fireworks public debate is tonight, please consider these points AGAINST the new bylaw:

- 1. Will give up all existing regulation (control) of legal fireworks purchase and use at a time when fireworks demand is up. 366 permits issued in 2019 and 488 in 2020. A ban will drive people to the gray market with no regulation in place. People using fireworks irresponsibly will continue to do so, this will only effect people who are already following the rules.
- 2. Until a Federal Ban is enacted a municipal ban will be ineffective. Will still be able to purchase online, in neighbouring municipalities and on First Nations land
- 3. Will end a long-standing community tradition effecting the community cohesion at a time when people are feeling more disconnected than ever.
- 4. Will have no effect on environmental or noise pollution. Fireworks can only legally be used on Oct 31st from 6-10 pm. This has a negligible effect on GHB emissions or noise vs large construction projects, vehicles or any other polluters in an urban environment.

Let the mayor and council know how you feel:

From: To:

DNV Input

Subject: FW: Fireworks Ban

Date: October 12, 2021 1:05:13 PM

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----Original Message-----

From: Dan Curry

Sent: October 12, 2021 12:14 PM

To: Mayor and Council - DNV < Council@dnv.org>

Subject: Fireworks Ban

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Dear Mayor and Council,

I urge you to take a comment sense and fact based approach to this potential ban.

Please consider the following facts:

- 1. Will give up all existing regulation (control) of legal fireworks purchase and use at a time when fireworks demand is increasing (366 permits issued in 2019 and 488 in 2020). A ban will drive people to the gray market with no regulation in place. People using fireworks irresponsibly will continue to do so, this will only effect people who are already following the rules.
- 2. Until a Federal Ban is enacted a municipal ban will be ineffective. Will still be able to purchase online, in neighbouring municipalities and on First Nations land 3. Will end a long-standing community tradition effecting the community cohesion at a time when people are feeling more disconnected than ever.
- 4. Will have no effect on environmental or noise pollution. Fireworks can only legally be used on Oct 31st from 6-10 pm. This has a negligible effect on GHB emissions or noise vs large construction projects, vehicles or any other polluters in an urban environment.

Thank you, Dan

Daniel Curry

 From:
 DNV Input

 To:
 DNV Input

 Subject:
 FW: Fireworks ban

Date: October 12, 2021 1:06:36 PM

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----Original Message-----

From: Andrew Mulkani

Sent: October 12, 2021 12:26 PM

To: Mayor and Council - DNV < Council@dnv.org>

Subject: Fireworks ban

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I think that fireworks should be banned in the district of North Vancouver.
wildlife and pets are negatively affected by them. I am a veteran and the noise of fireworks really affects me seriously.

Thank you for your consideration.

Andrew Mulkani

Subject: FW: fireworks ban meeting **Date:** October 12, 2021 1:07:36 PM

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From: Tandis Torkoladi

Sent: October 12, 2021 12:30 PM

To: Mayor and Council - DNV <Council@dnv.org>

Subject: fireworks ban meeting

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Hello,

I understand there will be a meeting held tonight regarding the ban of fireworks in district of North Vancouver,

I would like to express my thoughts and concerns regarding this. I feel there is absolutely no need for fireworks anymore with all the technology and entertainment everyone can get in other ways.

The harm and damage it does to wildlife and also pets, way out weights the need to have 5 minutes of entertainment.

Research shows that fireworks are associated with anxiety, disorientation, stress and fear in animals. For example, they have been shown to negatively impact the behaviour of <u>wild birds</u>, who become startled and fly away in panic. This often results in high numbers of bird deaths, as they inadvertently fly into objects. Animals may also flee their nests and dens, leaving behind their young.

Fireworks are also very stressful for domesticated animals and pets, with <u>research</u> showing that at least 40% of dogs experience noise phobias. Pets have been known to become lost, break leashes, escape fenced yards, and exit through windows in a panicked response to fireworks.

I am hoping you will take this into consideration at your meeting tonight and ban private firework use.

Sincerely, Tandis

To: Mayor and Council - DNV

Cc: <u>DNV Input</u>

Subject: FW: Form submission from: Share your thoughts with Mayor and Council

Date: October 12, 2021 1:25:59 PM

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----Original Message----

From: infoweb@dnv.org <infoweb@dnv.org>

Sent: October 09, 2021 10:49 AM To: Infoweb <infoweb@dnv.org>

Subject: Form submission from: Share your thoughts with Mayor and Council

Submitted on Saturday, October 9, 2021 - 10:48 Submitted by user: Anonymous Submitted values are:

Your name: Mary Ann McDevitt

What would you like to tell Mayor and Council? I understand there is a public meeting on Tuesday, October 12 re the amending the Fireworks Regulations.

Although I can't attend the meeting, we (my husband and myself) strongly support a ban on fireworks in the District. Fireworks are no longer a small family display in a backyard. They are much bigger and darned right dangerous. It is only a matter of time before someone is injured or killed or property is damaged or burned down. Also, we live in a forest. We have all seen the destruction in BC due to forest fires, yet you continue to put our north shore forests in danger. Why? Last year our neighbours had a very large display illegally in the middle of the road in front of our driveway.

We had ash and fireworks debris (some rather large pieces) on our cars, our lawn, our sundeck and propane BBQ, our roof, our backyard sundeck and the woods behind it. Please, please, please ban fireworks. They are destructive not fun!!!!!

Subject: FW: Fireworks ban in North Vancouver

Date: October 12, 2021 1:34:38 PM

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----Original Message-----

From: Janet Holburn

Sent: October 12, 2021 1:28 PM

To: Mayor and Council - DNV < Council@dnv.org>

Subject: Fireworks ban in North Vancouver

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I wish to see a fireworks ban in our District of North Vancouver. I am a supporter of VHS.

I believe this ban is LONG OVERDUE, in consideration of the stressful impact on wild animals, birds and our domestic pets, also to mention the debris and poisonous material left after the fireworks.

I am a resident to North Vancouver.

Sincerely,

Janet Holburn

Subject: Fireworks Recording #1 **Date:** October 12, 2021 2:46:28 PM

Attachments: Fireworks.m4a

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I am against fireworks. The noise is very disturbing.

 From:
 DNV Input

 To:
 DNV Input

 Subject:
 FW: Fireworks ban

Date: October 12, 2021 2:48:37 PM

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----Original Message----

From: Lesley Edwards

Sent: October 12, 2021 2:07 PM

To: Mayor and Council - DNV < Council@dnv.org>

Subject: Fireworks ban

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I fully support a ban on fireworks in the district of North Vancouver. As a pet owner I can attest to the terror experienced by my own pets when they heard fireworks.

As a parent I can attest to the burns and fear that ensued when my young daughter and her friend were hit by a firework at a local family event in Deep Cove.

I feel great sympathy for early shift workers who are trying to sleep.

Please ban all fireworks!

Lesley Edwards

Subject: FW: Fireworks ban meeting **Date:** October 12, 2021 2:49:46 PM

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----Original Message----

From: Darla Briggs

Sent: October 12, 2021 2:48 PM

To: Mayor and Council - DNV < Council@dnv.org>

Subject: Fireworks ban meeting

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Hello,

. I was told there is a meeting tonight regarding the fireworks ban. I cannot attend online tonight but would like to say I am in full support of the ban. We do not have pets but I understand the stress it causes for our local wildlife (bears, coyotes, birds, etc) as well as our domestic animals. We live too close to nature. There are many ways for people to have fun without causing further anxiety to the wildlife.

Thank you

Darla Briggs

Pronouns: she/her/hers

Living and working on unceded, ancestral territory of the x^wməθkwəyəm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), and Səlĭlwəta?/Selilwitulh (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations

Subject: FW: Please enact a ban against fireworks.

Date: October 12, 2021 3:51:18 PM

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From: lanasimon

Sent: October 12, 2021 3:13 PM

To: Mayor and Council - DNV <Council@dnv.org> **Subject:** Please enact a ban against fireworks.

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Dear Mayor and Council,

I am writing to urge you to ban all fireworks in the District.

As an animal rescuer, I can assure you that I dread the month of October. I see the sudden fear in the animals' eyes when any fireworks go off. Sometimes the animals are traumatised for days - fearful to go outside or hiding in odd places in the house. These are difficult days to get them to go outside to do their business or for walks. Seeing animals cowering is sad and unnecessary.

You have likely all heard of dogs who are so startled when being walked that they bolt away from owners and every year there are dogs and cats hit by cars or lost for days because of the firework noise.

Wildlife are also affected and we should not add to their stress of living in our urban areas.

Please do your part and enact a fireworks ban. I'm only sorry the District hasn't done it before now to stop the needless anxiety for pets, owners and wildlife.

Sincerely, Lana Simon From:
To:
DNV Input
Subject:
FW: Fireworks ban

Date: October 12, 2021 3:57:45 PM

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From: wardrita@telus.net

Sent: October 12, 2021 3:26 PM

To: Mayor and Council - DNV <Council@dnv.org>

Subject: Fireworks ban

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Please, please, please ban fireworks!!

Thank you Rita Ward



From:
To:
DNV Input
Subject:
FW: Firework Ban

Date: October 12, 2021 3:59:33 PM

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From: Laurie Lerner

Sent: October 12, 2021 3:35 PM

To: Mayor and Council - DNV <Council@dnv.org>

Subject: Firework Ban

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I understand you are voting on a proposed ban on the use of fireworks in the dnv.

Please, please pass this bylaw. Animals and humans will be so grateful

Regards, Laurie Leener

Subject: FW: Please initiate a ban on sale and use of fireworks.

Date: October 12, 2021 4:29:25 PM

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From: Tony Simon

Sent: October 12, 2021 4:15 PM

To: Mayor and Council - DNV <Council@dnv.org>

Subject: Please initiate a ban on sale and use of fireworks.

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All animals, domestic and wild, will benefit. A few thoughtless people will feel limited.

Please do the right thing.

Tony Simon North Vancouver

Subject: FW: PLEASE BAN ALL FIRWORKS **Date:** October 12, 2021 4:32:37 PM

Forwarded for the record.

From: Jim Diana

Sent: October 12, 2021 4:22 PM

To: Mayor and Council - DNV <Council@dnv.org>

Subject: PLEASE BAN ALL FIRWORKS

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Dear Mayor and Council!

I am a volunteer for the Pacific Animal Foundation and I also have pets. I think it is time to ban fireworks completely as they impact wild and domestic animals in an extremely negative way. There is no need for fireworks in the $21^{\rm st}$ Century. There are many alternatives to fireworks such as laser light shows. I urge you to enforce a fireworks ban for the sake of the animals. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jim Diana



 From:
 DNV Input

 Cc:
 Jim Petersen

Subject: Input - Public Meeting re Bylaw 8516 Fireworks regulation

Date: October 12, 2021 4:43:21 PM

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To District of North Vancouver Council:

I am writing in support of a bylaw change to ban sale, possession and use of consumer fireworks in the District of North Vancouver.

Rational:

- Fireworks can be heard in our neighbourhood from early September until late November with an additional round at New Year and during several other times throughout the year.
- On Halloween night it sounds like a war zone from afternoon until well after midnight. Not only is this disturbing to us, our dog is very sensitive to the sounds and is miserable, frightened and upset by the noise; efforts to calm him are fruitless.
- At the very least there should be a firm enforced restriction of use to the those permitted and only between 8pm 10pm on Halloween night.
- Police resources are already stretched thin and I am sure the RCMP would endorse a complete ban on sale and possession of fireworks.
- A community-based fire department, manned display should suffice for those who feel a need for this aspect of Halloween.

Thank you.		
Jim Petersen,		

From: DNV Input

Subject: Apposed to fireworks ban October 12, 2021 4:57:06 PM

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Hello,

I just wanted to voice my opinion. We love Halloween and celebrating with a small amount of fireworks each year. I hope the ban does not take place. My family and I have a lot of fun with them that one day per year.

Best,



 From:
 DNV Input

 To:
 Home

Subject: Public Meeting - Input - Amendments to the Fireworks Regulation - Bylaw 8516

Date: October 12, 2021 5:04:44 PM

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To the North Vancouver District Council:

I write in support of a bylaw change to the Firework Regulation that will either ban the sale, possession and use of consumer fireworks or will put strict controls on the aforementioned through the requirements for permits.

Alderwood park strip. Unfortunately this area is a real target for fire crackers at all hours and on any given night once a supply of fireworks becomes available on Capilano Road.

We are subject to random fireworks going off for weeks prior to Halloween. This year they started in mid-September and we expect as in past years that they will continue well into November.

Last year on Halloween we likened the noise levels to being in a war zone. We have never experienced the amount of fireworks as last year, maybe because of COVID and less children out trick and treating, more families decided to purchase fireworks instead. We kept turning up the TV to try and deafen the noise as I was finding the extremely loud bangs stressful not to mention our poor dog who is traumatized by them.

Fireworks on Halloween night/weekend also continue past midnight causing sleep disturbances. At that point they are clearly not being used by families.

I think it would be a pity to ban them altogether and would certainly support public displays and even regulated displays by individuals with a permit for purchase and discharge between reasonable hours.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Sincerely,

Mandy Green

From:
To:
DNV Input
Subject:
Fireworks

Date: October 12, 2021 5:12:01 PM

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Please don't ban the fireworks, moved here 7 years ago and it's a halloween treat, the community it brings together is like no place else I've ever lived. Love the North Shore it's so reasonable and the community we have is top!

Mark

Subject: FW: Please enact a ban against fireworks.

Date: October 12, 2021 5:55:07 PM

Forwarded for the record.

From: TRish GLanfield

Sent: October 12, 2021 4:49 PM

To: Mayor and Council - DNV < Council@dnv.org> **Subject:** Please enact a ban against fireworks.

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October 12, 2021

Dear Mayor and Council,

For many many years I have been concerned about the use of fireworks in the District.

I urge you ban all fireworks in the District.

My reasons include the potential fire hazards and injuries as well as the noise which often continues to late at night.

Most of all, I've known of pets running away from the frightening noises. This is upsetting for the families especially the children.

Wildlife too are disturbed.

There is so much to gain and nothing to lose save some minimal profit from fireworks sales.

The gains are many - appreciation from your community for taking action to enhance and protect the lives in your District.

Hopefully yours,

Trish Glanfield

Subject: FW: Firework Ban Discussion **Date:** October 12, 2021 5:56:15 PM

The below is provided for the record.

From:

Sent: October 12, 2021 5:01 PM

To: Mayor and Council - DNV < Council@dnv.org>

Subject: RE: Firework Ban Discussion

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Dear Mayor and District of North Vancouver Council,

Thank you for reading my considerations.

I understand you are considering reviewing a ban on Firework use in the District of North Vancouver.

I am an individual that is not in favour of an outright ban on the sale and use of Fireworks in the District. As a home owner and business owner within the district with a family with two smaller children that resides in the district, one of the joys of the Halloween celebration is to come together as a community at the end of the night for a safe firework display. This event that occurs at around 7-8pm on Halloween night, is a fantastic culmination of our community. We talk with our neighbours, and our kids are ecstatic. We are also considerate, we invite everyone on the street, we let our neighbours know ahead of time, we take the safety and consideration of the event seriously. It would be a shame to lose this due to a small few that will violate the rules in place even if an outright ban is in place.

I feel an outright ban will only target a select few that light off fireworks outside of the permitted times, and outside of the permitted locations, and a lot of those fireworks are illegally purchased, detonated or they are simply firecrackers. The ban may not have the desired effect, it will only limit the safe community enjoyment within the permitted hours among those who already go to great lengths to follow the rules, and the only fireworks that we will hear will be those violating the rules at times were weren't allowed to anyways. And I must say, those individuals bother me too, I don't need fireworks being lit of at midnight or 2am.

That said, I understand the council has a number of stakeholders to consider, including those with pets, and other considerations. If stricter regulations are required, I would oppose an outright ban and would suggest, creating a community process that allows a few safe locations to be designated as firework locations where members of the Fire Department could help ensure a safe community display is put on. Also, fireworks would be able to be purchased in advance of Halloween, but only able to picked up within 24hrs of the Halloween display. This way the community could still come together as a culmination of Halloween, the businesses that legally sell fireworks can continue to thrive and pay taxes and the community can continue enjoy the displays and come together as communities. This would also allow for a stricter control on enforcement as the only permitted discharge would be even more controlled.

I hope this letter finds you well.

Sincerely, Dan Pultr



Subject: FW: Ban on fireworks **Date:** October 12, 2021 5:59:26 PM

The below is provided for the record.

----Original Message----

From: D. M.

Sent: October 12, 2021 5:07 PM

To: Mayor and Council - DNV < Council@dnv.org>

Subject: Ban on fireworks

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Attn Mayor and councillors,

Please ban all fireworks ...

I feel it should be banned in ALL municipalities.

It is an outdated practice that is not only costly ... but scares children ..domestic and homeless , and wildlife . It also poses a fire risk .

It starts week before and continues week after Halloween.

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I am a senior ...but still have vivid childhood memories of having firecrackers thrown at us. Also being terrified of all firework displays .

I also feel that kids going door to door ..asking for treats is outdated .

Parents teach their kids not to accept candy or anything from strangers .. yet on Halloween actually condone it ... this is sending a mixed message to children ..

I'm imploring you as a concerned citizen to ban this outdated practice

Regards

Donna Miranda

 From:
 DNV Input

 Subject:
 FW: Fireworks ban

Date: October 12, 2021 6:11:30 PM

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----Original Message-----

From: anita andrew

Sent: October 12, 2021 5:07 PM

To: Mayor and Council - DNV < Council@dnv.org>

Subject: Fireworks ban

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Re the meeting tonight on the banning of fireworks in the District of North Vancouver.

This is to confirm that I am fully behind the ban and am surprised that this has not been done sooner. Our dog was terrified every year at firework times and nothing we could do would calm her even shutting drapes having the tv on very loud etc. I remember the one year that a pair of eagles were in our area most days but after firework night they would be gone, probably terrified. Apart from the extreme stress to animals both domestic and wild they are dangerous and cause injuries each year. Young people still manage to get hold of fireworks and they are not only used on Halloween night but other times also. Young kids let them of in parks and trails and obviously have a total disregard for others. I believe I am correct-in stating that they are already banned in surrounding areas and believe that we should also do the same and put an end to the injuries and stress caused by fireworks each year. I know it is too late for this year but let's do the right thing for next year and join in with the other nearby areas and BAN them. Thank you.

Anita Andrew

To: Mayor and Council - DNV

Cc: DNV Input

Subject: FW: Form submission from: Share your thoughts with Mayor and Council

Date: October 12, 2021 6:14:03 PM

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----Original Message----

From: infoweb@dnv.org <infoweb@dnv.org>

Sent: October 12, 2021 1:35 PM To: Infoweb <infoweb@dnv.org>

Subject: Form submission from: Share your thoughts with Mayor and Council

Submitted on Tuesday, October 12, 2021 - 13:35 Submitted by user: Anonymous Submitted values are:

Your name: Gordon Baldwin

What would you like to tell

Mayor and Council?

I have been a resident of North Vancouver since 1960 and in all that time fireworks on Halloween has been a cherished tradition for our family and neighbours. While I have witnessed several instances of unsafe use of fireworks by teenagers, the banning of firecrackers and restrictions on roman candle types of fireworks have seemed to have the desired effect of minimalizing those occurrences. Our family has hosted a neighbourhood Halloween party at our current residence for over 30 years and have never had any injury or harm from letting off fireworks. In fact the 30 minutes of the fireworks display is the highlight of the evening enjoyed by attendees of all ages from toddlers to senior citizens. We dutifully get a permit for our gathering and abide by the safety measures recommended by the fire department and others. There are several other localized exhibitions in our neighborhood and we enjoy seeing them in addition to our own.

There have always been detractors from the use of fireworks mostly complaining about the noise and the unsafe use of them. Given the short window in which they can be legally used, I don't think it is fair or reasonable to deny the enjoyment that I believe the majority of the residents of the District get from these seasonal events and the opportunity to meet with our neighbours and their family members of all ages. We are becoming increasingly isolated as a society and we should be encouraging our residents to be outside and meeting one another more frequently - not banning something that occurs only once a year.

To: Mayor and Council - DNV

Cc: DNV Input

Subject: FW: Form submission from: Share your thoughts with Mayor and Council

Date: October 12, 2021 6:14:58 PM

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----Original Message-----

From: infoweb@dnv.org <infoweb@dnv.org>

Sent: October 12, 2021 2:03 PM To: Infoweb <infoweb@dnv.org>

Subject: Form submission from: Share your thoughts with Mayor and Council

Submitted on Tuesday, October 12, 2021 - 14:03 Submitted by user: Anonymous Submitted values are:

Your name: Lana Grosse

What would you like to tell

Mayor and Council?

I wholeheartedly support a ban on private fireworks.

We have all see images and videos of homes that have caught on fire because of mishandled fireworks. The mishandling of fireworks can also lead to injuries. I personally have seen an errant piece of fireworks go off under a parked car and was glad there was nothing flammable to catch fire. I would hate to see any of these things happen to any of our North Van neighbours, and certainly don't want it to happen to our condo.

Fireworks also have a negative impact on pets and wildlife. There's also the unnecessary discharge and air pollutants that come with fireworks.

I hope Council will take these and other considerations into account and support a ban on private/personal fireworks.

To: Mayor and Council - DNV

Cc: <u>DNV Input</u>

Subject: FW: Form submission from: Share your thoughts with Mayor and Council

Date: October 12, 2021 6:15:51 PM

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----Original Message-----

From: infoweb@dnv.org <infoweb@dnv.org>

Sent: October 12, 2021 3:00 PM To: Infoweb <infoweb@dnv.org>

Subject: Form submission from: Share your thoughts with Mayor and Council

Submitted on Tuesday, October 12, 2021 - 15:00 Submitted by user: Anonymous Submitted values are:

Your name: Sarah Lochhead

What would you like to tell Mayor and Council? I wish that fireworks and firecrackers were banned in the district! My poor rescue dog has a hard enough time dealing with life and feeling safe but the noise of firecrackers sends him over the edge and makes for a very long recovery. They are banned in the city why not district? Please

To: Mayor and Council - DNV

Cc: <u>DNV Input</u>

Subject: FW: Ban on fireworks

Date: October 12, 2021 6:16:32 PM

The below is provided for information.

----Original Message-----

From: D. M.

Sent: October 12, 2021 6:15 PM

Subject: Re: Ban on fireworks

Hello

I missed one word

" domestic and homeless

"pets"

Thank you

D Miranda

Can you please correct this

Good evening,

Thank you for your email. The below has been circulated to Council, and added to the public record.

Get the latest information on the District's response to COVID-19 at DNV.org/COVID-19 or visit our social media channels by clicking the icons above.

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

From: D. M.

Sent: October 12, 2021 5:07 PM

To: Mayor and Council - DNV < Council@dnv.org>

Subject: Ban on fireworks

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I'm imploring you as a concerned citizen to ban this outdated practice

Regards Donna Miranda
 From:
 DNV Input

 To:
 DNV Input

 Subject:
 FW: Fireworks Ban

Date: October 12, 2021 6:19:44 PM

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From: IngridO Katz

Sent: October 12, 2021 6:18 PM

To: Mayor and Council - DNV < Council@dnv.org>

Subject: Fireworks Ban

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To whom it may concern,

I am a resident of the District of North Vancouver and I totally support a ban on Fireworks.

I have two dogs that suffer so much fear and anxiety from fireworks that I have to keep them in doors from approximately October 28-31st. And then during any other holiday that uses fireworks. I can no longer go anywhere for New Years Eve. They are elderly now so I am unable to medicate them but it is truly awful to see them with so much fear.

They both tremble, bark, and basically cannot enjoy a nice walk during this whole time because if only one firework goes off they completely shut down. My female will stop eating because she is so distressed.

I put all my TV's, ceiling fans on, and even play some music. I go into my bathroom until 12am or even sometimes 1am so that I can drown out the noise for them.

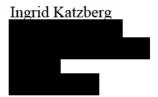
It is truly awful to see them in such distress. My neighbor's dog got lost a few years back during Halloween because during his walk the kids started throwing fireworks. He was so freaked out he broke the leash and ran off. He was a diabetic dog and was never seen again.

There are so many stories like that, not to mention the kid whose 3 fingers got blown off when playing with these fireworks.

Please take that into consideration when making your decision.

So many cities have already banned fireworks for these precise reasons and I hope the City of North Vancouver does the same.

Thank you so much for your time.



From: DNV Input

Subject: Against the ban on fireworks with reasons below

Date: October 12, 2021 7:32:13 PM

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Hi,

My input is that I am against this proposed ban on fireworks. I have listened to the arguments for supporting a ban and disagree with most of them. While some have more validity, such as the pain and distress on animals for one night, I firmly believe the advantages in terms of enjoyment to thousands upon thousands of children outweigh the very temporary costs or disadvantages. Unfortunately, young people are not aware of such input as this but I am willing to bet if they had a say too (instead of of a few bothered older folks with time on their hands to create this type of activism) that, as a whole community, if their voices were heard would also strongly support vote not to ban fireworks. It is too bad that a major stakeholder affected by this decision does not have a very good chance or opportunity of input in this community based decision. In sum, if this were put to a community vote, especially, if children's voices were heard, then not to ban fireworks would be the community choice. For now, my singular point is that we should definitely not ban fireworks and deny a huge amount of pleasure and excitement for young people.

Best regards, Dave McLeod

Subject: FW: silent fireworks

Date: October 13, 2021 9:35:32 AM

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From: Anne Birthistle

Sent: October 12, 2021 6:31 PM

To: Mayor and Council - DNV <Council@dnv.org>

Subject: silent fireworks

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A happy solution! Silent fireworks as they have in Europe... https://ronproject.com/silent-fireworks-italy/

Anne Birthistle North Vancouver

Subject: FW: Pro fireworks ban in North Vancouver

Date: October 13, 2021 9:36:47 AM

Forwarded for the record.

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From: Christine Williams

Sent: October 12, 2021 6:53 PM

To: Mayor and Council - DNV < Council@dnv.org > Subject: Pro fireworks ban in North Vancouver

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Please note my husband and I are North and Couver city residents and we favour a ban on fireworks because of the negative impact on wildlife and on domesticated animals. Thank you.

Christine Williams

Subject: FW:

Date: October 13, 2021 9:41:28 AM

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From: Patti Mckenzie

Sent: October 12, 2021 6:54 PM

To: Mayor and Council - DNV <Council@dnv.org>

Subject:

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Fireworks ban:

My family would like to encourage a full fireworks ban.

Thank you Patti Mckenzie From: To:

DNV Input

Subject: FW: Fire works ban

Date: October 13, 2021 9:44:33 AM

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From: Teresa Iketsuki

Sent: October 12, 2021 7:40 PM

To: Mayor and Council - DNV < Council@dnv.org>

Subject: Fire works ban

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To whom it may concern:

I am a district of NV resident who is concerned over the use of fireworks during certain holiday seasons. I do not see ANY merit to selling fireworks for any occasion. Here are the reasons:

- 1. It disrupts pets and young children during their restful hours.
- 2. It leads to injuries. Many of the fireworks users are teens and those in early 20's (I'm a high school teacher so I know this) and they do not yet have the self awareness nor good decision making skills to deal with explosives. This can lead to:
- A) injury (to users and innocent bystanders)
- B) damage of properties
- C) unnecessarily calling upon emergency units, taking them away from real emergencies and risking lives of those who actually need the first responders' help
- 3. Causes wildlife injury, distress, and death because they are frightened by the noise. This goes against everything North Van advertises to be a place where nature thrives.

If you have any counterpoints to the ones I have raised above, please advise. I do hope that the council reconsiders fireworks use because it's not "just" fireworks. It can be disrupting to families and animals. Wild animals may abandon their young to flee, too weary to come back.

There are many conscious communities that have banned fireworks with no repercussions. Please follow suit. If you really truly want North Van to be family friendly and a place where wildlife coexist peacefully with humans, I need you to do the right thing, right now and forever. It's not worth risking all of the above just to entertain a handful of people and make a few bucks.

Thank you for your time.

Teresa Brown