

CITY OF MARYSVILLE AGENDA BILL

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY FOR ACTION

CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 5/26/15

AGENDA ITEM: Fireworks Committee	
PREPARED BY: Gloria Hirashima, Chief Administrative Officer	DIRECTOR APPROVAL:
DEPARTMENT: Executive	
ATTACHMENTS: 1. Fireworks Committee agendas and minutes 2. Police data concerning fireworks complaints 3. Fireworks poll results 4. Responses to questions on poll accuracy/validity 5. Information on Advisory poll costs 6. Information from initial Council discussion on 7/28/14	
BUDGET CODE:	AMOUNT:

SUMMARY:

The Fireworks committee was appointed and convened last fall. Over the past several months, the committee has met and reviewed information concerning fireworks impacts and issues within the city of Marysville. The committee also reviewed polling and citizen comments on a proposed fireworks ban in Marysville. The attached minutes and survey results reflect the views of citizens on the issue of fireworks. The poll was constructed by city staff, using SurveyMonkey, an online polling service. Over half of those polled provided comments and opinions to supplement their survey response.

The Committee felt that it would be beneficial to have Council review the data collected to date, and ultimately determine whether any further steps were necessary. Based on the current polling, a fireworks ban is a divisive issue, with approximately half of citizens appearing to support and half oppose. Opinions on either side are very strong. If a more official poll result was desired, the city could place the issue on an advisory ballot for voter opinion. The lowest cost would likely be in the general election in November 2015, as there would be several ballot items/measures, which would reduce the city's cost for participation.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:
Council review of information collected to date, and direction on next steps.

**Fireworks Committee Agenda
Meeting #1**

- I. Introductions
- II. Election of Chairperson
- III. Identify Committee Purpose and Scope
- IV. Review Existing Regulations
- V. Review Recent Fireworks History-Public Advisories, Enforcement and Response from City Departments
 - a. Fire Department
 - b. Police Department
 - c. Parks & Public Works Departments
- VI. Discussion
- VII. Next Steps and Meeting Dates

Fireworks Meeting Minutes-November 5, 2014
Meeting #1

Members Present:

Jeff Vaughan, City Council
Rob Toyer, City Council
David Riesner, Citizen
Herman Moya, Citizen
Terry Peterson, Citizen

Staff Present:

Cmdr. Jeff Goldman, Police Department
Fire Marshal Tom Maloney, Marysville Fire District
Paul Kinney, Public Works Department
Mike Robinson, Parks & Recreation Department
Gloria Hirashima, Executive Department

Meeting convened at 7:00 p.m.

Item 1 – Introductions. Members of the committee introduced themselves.

Item 2 – Election of Chairperson. Rob Toyer nominated Jeff Vaughan to be chair of the committee. Terry Peterson seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

Item 3 – Identify Committee Purpose and Scope. The committee discussed the purpose and goals of individual members serving on the committee. Some of the goals were:

- Collect data a study it for conclusions
- Study impacts on the community
- Identify impacts on Kiwanis and service clubs running the stands
- Identify impacts on visitors and tourism from outside the community
- Get citizen and community feedback
- Study alternatives to the firework ban- community event or public display
- Look at existing regulations and whether there are any revisions needed

Item 4 – Review Existing Regulations. The committee reviewed the existing regulations and times for legal fireworks. The committee discussed what legal fireworks consisted of.

Item 5 -Review Recent Fireworks History-Public Advisories, Enforcement and Response from City Departments. Staff from Fire, Police, Parks and Public Works identified enforcement and issues from past 4th of July's.

Item 6 – Discussion. The committee reviewed the impacts and issues identified at this meeting. The goals were discussed again to identify future meeting information and needs.

Item 7- Next Steps and Meeting Dates. The committee set the third meeting date of December 4, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:20.

**Fireworks Committee Agenda
Meeting #2**

- I. Introductions (if new members)
- II. Review Committee Minutes
- III. Identify new information from City Departments
 - a. Police - ATF
 - b. Solid Waste staff hours/costs
 - c. Parks staff hours/costs
 - d. Fire - Statistics from prior years
 - e. Exec - polling costs
- IV. Discussion
- V. Next Steps and Information to Gather

Fireworks Meeting Minutes-November 17, 2014
Meeting #2

Members Present:

Jeff Vaughan, City Council
Rob Toyer, City Council
David Riesner, Citizen
Terry Peterson, Citizen
Walt McKinney, Kiwanis

Staff Present:

Cmdr. Jeff Goldman, Police Department
Fire Marshal Tom Maloney, Marysville Fire District
Paul Kinney, Public Works Department
Mike Robinson, Parks & Recreation Department
Gloria Hirashima, Executive Department

Meeting convened at 7:00 p.m.

Item 1 – Introductions. Walt McKinney was a new member representing Kiwanis - members of the committee introduced themselves.

Item 2 – Review Committee Minutes. Members received the minutes and reviewed them. Chairperson Vaughan asked if there were any revisions. Hearing none, he indicated that they could still correct them later if needed.

Item 3 – Identify new information from City Departments.

- a. Police – Cmdr Goldman made contact with ATF, State Fire Marshal, Tulalip Tribes. He shared information from each. ATF investigates stands based on a complaint or request basis. Fire Marshal indicated that Tribes is not subject to state requirements, so their review is limited. The Tribes indicated that their main focus is stand licensing and illegal fireworks.
- b. Solid Waste and Streets. Paul Kinney indicated that last year's 4th generated 2-4 tons of waste and no overtime from Solid Waste division. The Streets division had 37.5 hours of overtime. The total costs were \$2700-3000.
- c. Parks staff – Mike Robinson indicated 16-24 hours of trash pick up at Parks this year. He estimated cost at \$1300-2000 in labor cost. He also mentioned the occasional destruction of porta-potties at a rate of 2-4 per year and a cost of \$500-1000 per porta-potty. He said it is hard to pinpoint fireworks because the explosion generally destroys the unit.
- d. Fire- Fire Marshal Maloney stated that they post extra crews (2 firefighters and a captain). The overtime cost is \$3480. He said they have not had a house fire in 3-4 years. The last one was a roof fire caused by a bottle rocket and caused \$360,000 in damages.
- e. Executive- Gloria Hirashima had an estimate to conduct a statistically valid poll for \$8000. The cost of an actual advisory poll on the ballot would be considerably more. She also discussed other no-cost, low-cost options such as online polls, surveys in local newspapers, etc.
- f. Kiwanis – Walt McKinney gave an update on the Kiwanis fireworks stands. He indicated revenue is going down every year. The 2014 income was about \$3000. The 2006 income was \$5000. It has been going down every year. It is very labor intensive requiring their members to staff the stands at 24 hours/day. As a result, eliminating the fireworks would not be that hard on them,

although they would need to find alternative fund raisers. They have been trying to do this for the past few years.

Item 4 -Discussion. The committee discussed the information presented. They had continued discussion about community input. Members talked about polling and advisory ballots and felt that those methods were expensive. They went over other means of gathering community information such as Globe, Outlook, social media, surveys, online polling, community forums and meetings or public hearings. The consensus was to look at a variety of sources to gather information, including newspapers, online polling, social media, public meetings. The committee wanted to review a information plan for community information at the next meeting.

Parks staff was going to research alternative events that could be scheduled for the 4th of July if fireworks were banned.

Item 5- Next Steps and Meeting Dates. The next meeting is scheduled for December 4, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:20.

**Fireworks Committee Agenda
Meeting #3**

- I. Review Committee Minutes
- II. Discuss Public Opinion Options
 - a. Survey update
 - b. Social Media
 - c. Press Releases
 - d. Utility Billing Flyers
 - e. Community Forums
- III. Community Fireworks Alternatives - 4th of July celebration
- IV. Discussion
- V. Next Steps and Information to Gather

Fireworks Committee Agenda
Meeting #4
May 7, 2015

- I. Review Public Opinion efforts to date
 - a. Survey update- poll closed and results distributed
 - b. Press Releases-released for survey
 - c. Utility Billing Flyers-used to direct people to survey
 - d. Community Forums-not scheduled
 - e. Social Media - would be utilized in conjunction with forum

- II. Advisory Poll Costs and Timing

- III. Discussion

- IV. Next Steps

Fireworks Meeting Minutes-May 7, 2015
Meeting #4

Members Present:

Jeff Vaughan, City Council
Rob Toyer, City Council
David Riesner, Citizen
Terry Peterson, Citizen
Walt McKinney, Kiwanis

Staff Present:

Cmdr. Jeff Goldman, Police Department
Fire Marshal Tom Maloney, Marysville Fire District
Paul Kinney, Public Works Department
Mike Robinson, Parks & Recreation Department
Gloria Hirashima, Executive Department

Meeting convened at 7:00 p.m.

Chair Vaughan reviewed the agenda and asked about follow up from the prior meeting. CAO Hirashima reported that in accordance with direction from the committee, the City had promoted the survey through newspaper articles, press releases, social media and the Cityscene in the utility billing flyer. The survey responses were over 1000 now, with a slight majority opposed to the ban. Given the reversal of the survey direction, staff wanted to check with committee members to see if they wanted to continue the public discussion, or check back in with the full Council for further direction. Information was provided on some of the potential limitations of the survey that prevents it from being a scientifically valid response (potential for manipulation). Nevertheless the survey provides good overall feedback on sentiment towards fireworks, and the comments are extremely helpful as people took the time to provide specific opinion to the City. Information was provided for an advisory ballot if the committee wanted to discuss that option. That would provide a more controlled response.

The committee reviewed the survey results and discussed direction. Walt McKinney suggested reducing the time that the fireworks stands are open. Paul Kinney felt that the community forum would not be productive. He thought the comments were so strong, either opposed or in favor, that it would not result in a helpful discussion. Terry Peterson thought the survey was helpful in identifying key concerns. He reflected that those in favor of a ban generally cited potential for property damage, noise, and harm to animals, and length of illegal activities going on for weeks, as opposed to limiting fireworks to July 4. It seems through the review by the committee that property damage and cost has been minimal. He asked if more could be done on controlling the illegal fireworks. Cmdr Goldman responded on the realities of policing fireworks and the difficulties encountered trying to actually witness the activity. He said it was extremely difficult to cite people for fireworks as the activity is everywhere, and determining who is lighting them off is not easily determined as everyone scatters when the police arrive. He speculated that a ban would probably take a few years to take effect, but that reading from what occurred in other cities like Edmonds, people do move towards compliance over time. Committee members debated whether further steps were necessary, some feeling that with the poll not reflecting sentiment towards a ban, perhaps nothing further should be done. Others felt that the issue was longstanding and citizen complaints/opinions strengthening so that some action should be taken to

conclude the discussion—like an advisory poll to provide a formal citizen opinion on the issue to Council so that they could conclude it for the time being.

The committee agreed to send the information on to Council for their review. Chair Vaughan thanked the committee for their service and asked that they be invited to the Council discussion on 5/26/15.

Committee adjourned at 8:00 p.m.



MARYSVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Richard L. Smith, Chief of Police

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Memorandum

Date: November 1, 2014

Ref: 4th of July / New Years Eve (Fireworks Data)

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide an overview of the fireworks complaints received through the SNOPAC 911 system for the City of Marysville over a three year comparison. The totals reflect only those numbers from the relevant dates of July 1st through July 7th for the years 2012, 2013, and 2014.

In addition we have included the end of the year fireworks concerns ranging from December 30 through January 2nd for the years 2011, 2012, and 2013.

The firework data, although limited through the CAD/RMS systems provides a snapshot of the activity, total complaints, and overtime costs utilized for directed enforcement.

Although the complaints begin with the annual opening of the Tulalip Tribes fireworks sales at "Boom City", the significant total firework complaints captured per year are between July 1-7 follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Total Complaints</u>
2012	187
2013	251
2014	212

* A graph has been attached to this document in order to provide a daily breakdown of complaints reflecting those dates from July 1 through July 7th.

The Marysville Police Department initiated an educational portion prior to the opening of all fireworks stands within the city limits. This consists of fireworks guidelines being provided to the local media, posters placed in and around each licensed fireworks stand within the city limits and also a request that an educational flyer be provided to each customer with their fireworks purchase.

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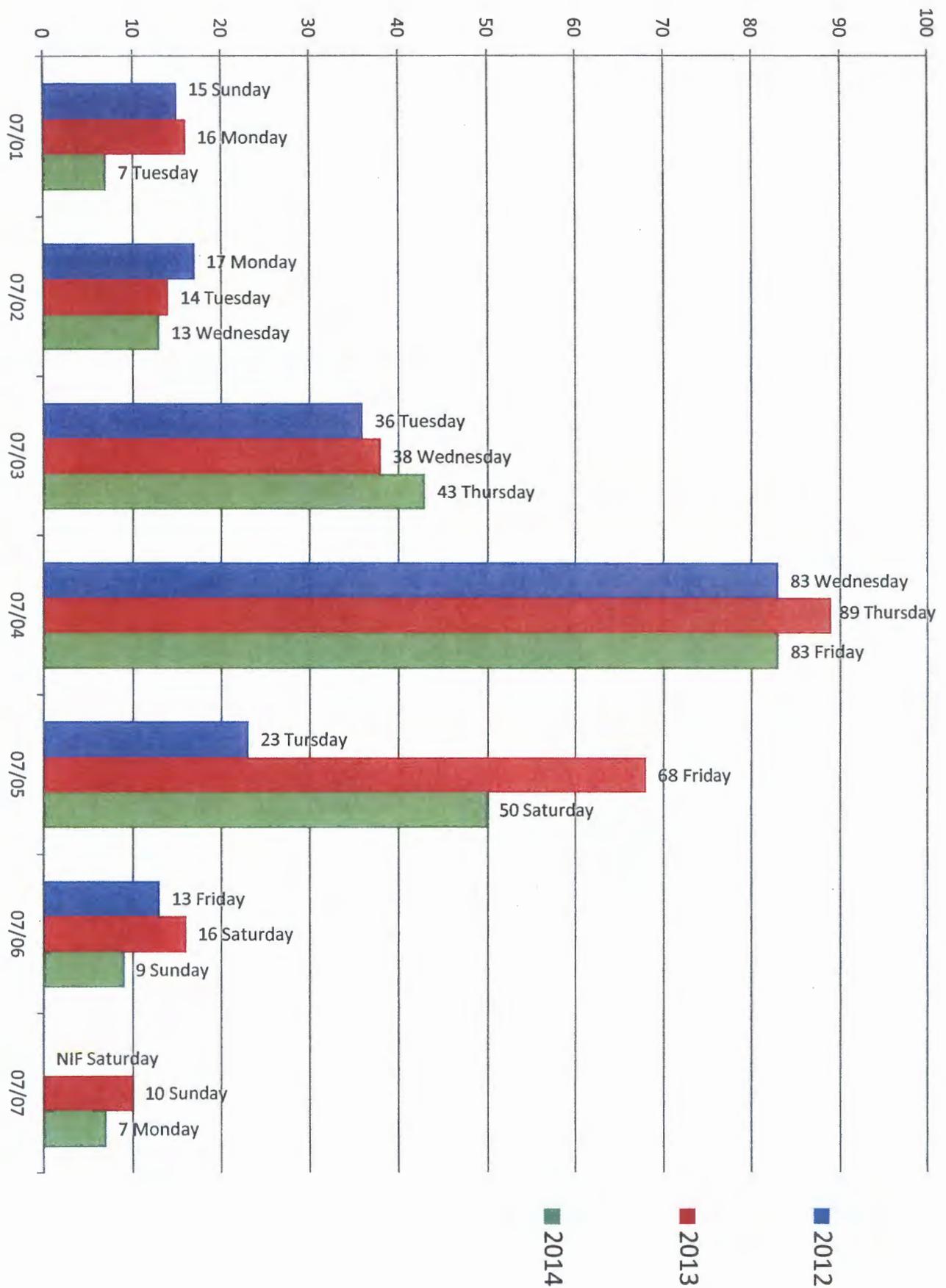


Additionally, the police department provides directed patrols at overtime costs which primarily focus on the dates July 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 5th respectively. These officers respond to all firework complaints beginning at 2000 hours and ending at 0200 hours. All supervisors on duty during these dates have the authority to increase or reduce those hours of work as call loads dictate. Each of these officers working the fireworks directed patrols are expected to respond to every fireworks complaint and take the appropriate education and/or enforcement action.

New Years Comparison

Dec. 30, 2011 (Friday)	Dec. 31, 2011 (Saturday)	Jan. 1, 2012 (Sunday)	Jan. 2, 2012 (Monday)	
1	20	4	0	Complaints
Dec. 30, 2012 (Sunday)	Dec. 31, 2012 (Monday)	Jan. 1, 2013 (Tuesday)	Jan. 2, 2013 (Wednesday)	
1	16	1	0	Complaints
Dec. 30, 2013 (Monday)	Dec. 31, 2013 (Tuesday)	Jan. 1, 2014 (Wednesday)	Jan. 2, 2014 (Thursday)	
0	14	4	0	Complaints

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**RECOGNIZE
THESE ILLEGAL
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Tennis Ball Bombs



Firecrackers



Bottle Rockets



Aerial Rockets & Salutes

**SAVE A LIFE
PREVENT AN INJURY
DO NOT HANDLE
EXPLOSIVE DEVICES!**

**An Important 4th of July Holiday
Public Safety Message to Citizens of Marysville**

Illegal fireworks are a public safety and medical menace in the Marysville area. Each year, usage of illegal fireworks results in visits to hospital emergency rooms and burn care centers here, statewide, and across the nation to treat permanent hand and face injuries. In the most tragic instances, the severest among these injuries results in death.

This 4th of July holiday, the Marysville Police Department and Marysville Fire District are mobilizing pro-active enforcement efforts and an aggressive public education campaign to crack down on possession and discharge of illegal fireworks, and the serious fireworks-related injuries and property damage that can occur through their use. Under state law, possession and/or discharge of illegal fireworks is a misdemeanor offense punishable by a fine of up to \$1,000 and/or up to a year in jail; and a mandatory court appearance. Effective in 2008, police may issue a civil infraction, similar to a traffic ticket, with a fine of up to \$500.

We urge parents, and especially children, not to use illegal fireworks. If legal "safe and sane"-style fireworks are a part of your family and friends' celebrations, please abide by local laws:

**Important Changes to City
Fireworks Laws in 2008.**

- A civil infraction (fine) in an amount up to \$500 may be issued by police instead of a criminal citation.
- The criminal misdemeanor fine will increase from \$300 to the standard state penalty of a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or 90 days in jail.
- Gross misdemeanor offenses have been increased to a fine of up to \$5,000 and/or a year in jail.
- A clause has been added causing a person with 3 or more civil infractions within a two-year time period to be cited for a misdemeanor.

Discharge restrictions of "safe and sane" fireworks in Marysville

9 a.m.-11 p.m. July 4 only

(Marysville Municipal Code Section 9.20.020)

**Discharge restrictions of "safe and sane" fireworks in
Unincorporated Snohomish County**

9 a.m.-11:59 p.m. on July 4

(Snohomish County Code Section 16.10.130)

When using legal fireworks, please:

- Never allow young children to play with fireworks
- Read and follow all warnings and instructions
- Never try to relight fireworks
- Keep a bucket of water handy
- Ignite fireworks on a smooth, flat surface away from your house or flammable materials
- Only discharge fireworks on July 4. It is against the law to discharge any fireworks before or after the 4th of July

Illegal fireworks have no place in Marysville. We are putting sellers and users of illegal fireworks on notice: we will take enforcement action on those involved with them. As we celebrate our nation's independence, Marysville Police and the Marysville Fire District hope your 4th of July holiday is the safest ever.

Police Chief Rick Smith
City of Marysville

Fire Chief Greg Corn,
Marysville Fire District



Did you know . . .

- ❑ It is **ILLEGAL** to possess or discharge firecrackers, bottle rockets and skyrockets.
- ❑ These **ILLEGAL** explosive devices cause 90% of all fireworks related fires in the state of Washington.
- ❑ **ILLEGAL** explosive devices are often wrongly referred to as fireworks.

These are just some of the types of fireworks illegal in Washington State

Firecrackers
Bottle rockets
Cherry bombs
M-80s and M-100s
Rockets
Salutes
Tennis ball bombs



Every year, the City of Marysville receives numerous complaints from residents about unsightly messes left in the aftermath of neighborhood fireworks displays.

If your family and friends choose to set off your own fireworks, please be a good neighbor and have the courtesy to dispose of your spent fireworks...make the next morning look like you were never there!



Should the City impose a ban on fireworks in Marysville?

Answered: 562 Skipped: 516

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Q3 Share your comments

Answered: 562 Skipped: 516

#	Responses	Date
1	We're one of the few cities left where folks can enjoy fireworks. It's a delight to live up on the hill and enjoy the view of everyone else's fireworks! With the Tulalip tribe's Boom City so close, if Marysville banned fireworks it would be an insane job to try and stop people from setting off fireworks. Why fight it?	4/29/2015 4:04 PM
2	'Neighbors' in my sub-division set off fireworks earlier than July 4th, sometimes even more than a week before. They don't pay attention to where the debris lands (neighboring roofs) and don't clear up the debris after the Fourth. Not to mention the distress fireworks have on household pets! My suggestion would be for one big fireworks event, at a designated area, under supervision, and well maintained.	4/25/2015 10:42 AM
3	No, as this is a family thing we do every 4th of July.	4/17/2015 7:23 PM
4	Marysville needs to be in control of selling the legal fireworks and be safe about it. Don't drive the community to the reservation, for the illegal fireworks. Banning will not prevent the people from the fireworks and lighting them off. The ban in Everett and Lk Stevens, my friends and family there say's it's just as noisy and fireworks all STILL in their neighbors going off. Just continue a curfew for only on 7-4 and on 12/31, till midnight.	4/11/2015 9:11 PM
5	You will never be able to enforce a law against fireworks with boom city right in our back yard. Leave it alone spend your time and money on things that really matter Education, Roads,.. Let our kids enjoy some of the things we did as kids. We don't need to ban fireworks we need to have parents that care enough for their children that they guide them and educate them.	4/11/2015 9:28 AM
6	Every year we have to wet our roof in order to make sure fireworks don't catch our house on fire from neighbors. We have a few elderly neighbors that get frightened from the noises and it's hard to tell the difference between a firework or gunshot.	4/10/2015 12:47 AM
7	My family and I truly enjoy setting off fireworks on July 4th, it's our Christmas in July! We want to continue celebrating our nations independence by having the independence to purchase and set off fireworks in our hometown of Marysville. So many of my extended family travel to Marysville to celebrate and light off fireworks with us because where they live they are not allowed to do so. We do not like attending community Fourth of July events because they tend to be too crowded and parking is so difficult to find. Please do not take this simple joy away from me and my family. Sincerely, The Newport's	4/8/2015 9:12 AM
8	yes to banning fireworks because where I live its like a war zone before & after the 4th & also on New Years eve & day. Thank you	4/7/2015 9:02 AM
9	The activity should be an organized event put on by the city of Marysville and local tribes. The location needs to be accessible and able to accommodate a very large number of people for the day.	4/6/2015 12:52 PM
10	I am a disabled vet, marine corps 1969 Vietnam. The explosions on the 4th are becoming as loud as the war zone I fought in. The noise causes me to become ill and extremely anxious to a point where medicine is not effective. Also property damage becomes an issue because of the different types of explosives. Please consider a ban in Marysville neighbor-hoods,	4/2/2015 11:09 AM
11	July 4th is a rare time when we get to celebrate our great country in a unique way. Everyone enjoys watching fireworks and many enjoy shooting them off. It would be a shame to ban such a fun expression of celebration!	3/30/2015 8:18 PM
12	The use of fireworks in the city have been of great concern to me and my family. It is a dangerous scenario to have people igniting fireworks in the city with homes, pedestrians and drivers all within close proximity. I have seen house fires in my neighborhood and I worry about my home every year. Most cities ban fireworks in town. It is time that our city, Marysville, shows equal concern about safety.	3/29/2015 4:47 PM
13	Too many dangerous and loud fireworks go off for roughly 1 week around the 4th of July. I worry about fire hazard potential in gutters with leaves. My pets have to have medications from the vet due to noise - we never needed that in Everett. Makes us consider moving.	3/29/2015 8:02 AM
14	I don't mind the fireworks so much as I don't like the mess left in my yard from other people's fireworks that falls from the sky.	3/28/2015 9:10 PM
15	I'm sure the Tulalip tribe has the final say so about fireworks. The city of Marysville follows what ever the Tulalip tribe recommends. That's the city's bread and butter.	3/28/2015 10:33 AM

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- 16 Although fireworks represent The Fourth of July, our independence. The private use has gotten way out of control. Citizens can support location that do and are willing to provide us with safe&sane spectsacular show by simply using the same funds spent, they would privately spend, by donating to those entities willing to except funds from us citizens or NO fireworks, and the groups that sell fireworks, only being able to sell to those entities licensed to put on a safe show respectfully speaking... Its just become way to dangerous. 3/27/2015 1:36 AM
- 17 If imposing a ban on fireworks is the only way to keep the ridiculously loud, over the top fireworks out, then YES, please impose a ban. Please note - the fireworks are more like a season in the summer. . it builds up over about a three to four week period, with the obvious highlight being July 4th, then gradually decreases over the following few weeks. I always thought that the fireworks bought on the reservation had to be used on the reservation, but I think we all know that does not happen. Perhaps the Tualip Tribe should play a larger role here. Does Marysville or the Tribe put on any kind of City Fireworks show? I have never served in the military, but I honestly feel I know what a war zone sounds like. :(Makes me feel for those who have served and may be dealing with the after effects of such service (PTSD, etc). Sadly, these are the realities of our world, there are many among us who are trying to deal with these issues, and I feel we owe it to them to do our utmost to respect their struggles, and as a society, help where we can. And then there is the toll it takes on animals. We are all familiar with the issues of pets disappearing at this time, but who knows what the effect it has on wildlife . birds, rabbits, squirrels, you name it. Must be pretty scary for them, and who is looking out for their well being? 3/25/2015 6:09 PM
- 18 Fireworks are hazardous to those who use them as well as those who suffer their use by others. Fireworks disturb the peace and pose a serious fire hazard. Many people who use fireworks fail to clean up behind themselves, leaving streets, yards, vehicles, and rooftops littered with debris. Many people who use fireworks fail to take adequate safety measures to protect themselves or others, and pose a hazard to persons, property, and pets. People who want to enjoy fireworks can attend one of the many public displays that occur in the area, such as the one at the Space Needle. 3/25/2015 4:11 PM
- 19 Due to the noise and safety concerns, I strongly support banning fireworks in the city of Marysville. I also encourage you to vigorously enforce fireworks regulations in the city. Thank you. 3/25/2015 12:07 PM
- 20 Legal TNT stands in Marysville give people who want fireworks a relatively safe and legal option. With boom city right next door, the only thing that banning the sale of legal fireworks would do is to push people to drive across the street and buy illegal ones. The very worst type of public policy is that which makes the problem worse. Churches and other non-profit groups have spent years building up a loyal customer base, mostly consisting of adults with young children. Those are not the stands that need banning and those are not the customers you want to point toward boom city. 3/24/2015 8:07 PM
- 21 There is horrible traffic to get to the reservation to purchase fireworks. The traffic burdens and noise from the Tualip tribes begin in the early part of June and continue non stop. I know there are no regulations on the tribe but I AM in favor of a ban. The noise and air pollution are hazardous to the community members. The clean up and enforcement will be a big challenge. I loathe the living in this town from June to the end of July because of the fireworks. If you want to see that crap, go somewhere else. Other towns have banned fireworks, like Mukilteo for example. Is it all about the money? Or is the fireworks ban even a remote possibility? I pray it will be passed. It is about time. 3/23/2015 5:18 PM

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22	<p>With respect to the members of the Fireworks Committee, I rise in strong opposition to the movement towards the banning of consumer fireworks in the City of Marysville. My name is Thomas Erickson and I & my wife and two young boys moved to the City last month, after specially planning to move here because of the favorable housing & also, point of fact, because of the liberty we saw the Citizens of Marysville enjoying. The Fourth of July private family celebrations of our country's independence and freedom was a very real selling point in our family's decision to come to Marysville at all. Since we had planned on residing in Marysville indefinitely, it would be a tremendous disappointment to our family to have bothered to relocate to the City only to have the liberty of our family and that of the citizenry of Marysville permanently contracted immediately upon our settling here. As a new citizen of Marysville, I would ask that the Committee bring evidence of substantial and material damage to body, life and property within the City limits resulting from the use of legal consumer fireworks. Events and accidental harm in Tulalip should not be in consideration, only that of the Marysville area. Use of illegal fireworks is a criminal matter and is already addressed by our municipal criminal code. The transfer and use of illegal fireworks from the nearby Tulalip reservation is also already addressed by our law enforcement, and criminal use does not relate to the legal and proper use of legal fireworks by responsible citizens of Marysville, who make up the vast majority of those who engage in celebrations on July 4 and December 31 every year. There is very clearly no present epidemic of harm from the use of legal fireworks within Marysville. The vast majority of accidents from firework use are the result of illegal use, parental neglect, and just plain stupidity. There is no reason and no reasonable position to take with regard to the forbidding of our society's tradition and enjoyment of fireworks upon the civil holidays we hold dear. Taking away our American tradition of fireworks robs our City and our country of another part of our shared American culture. The celebration of holidays and happy events with fireworks goes back to the American colonial rebellion itself. I would like to see our culture and our traditions upheld as Americans, and as proud citizens of Marysville in the state bearing our first president's name, Washington. Please continue in due diligence to hear all public input and consider well the opinion of the citizenry who elect the City Council membership and provide the City with its budget and founding legal structure. My hope is that the ad hoc Fireworks Committee will vote down the motion to ban legal firework use in Marysville. Please maintain our freedoms in Marysville! Thomas Erickson Evergreencon1@gmail.com 206.850.6872 4616 109th PL NE Marysville, WA 98271</p>	3/23/2015 10:47 AM
23	<p>It's a safety hazard to the homes that are built so close together, it seems to go on all week where I live, nobody wants to clean up after the fact. Needs to be more control.</p>	3/23/2015 7:24 AM
24	<p>I have lived in Marysville for over 17 years and I have not witnessed any negative effects from people using fireworks.</p>	3/22/2015 7:35 PM
25	<p>The current law is not enforced because for days before and days after July 4th and New Years fireworks are set off constantly each nite and on the eve of the 4th and 31st it is not unlike a war zone with mostly illegal type fireworks. I have lived in Marysville for 15 years and it has gotten worse with the smoke/haze, and smell at nite and the tremendous amount of litter left behind in the AM. It is also a terrible time for pet owners with the animal terrified every nite for a couple of weeks not to mention the danger of fire because of all the descending sparks left by exploding rockets. A drive through Marysville streets on the evening of the 4th is like driving through Bagdad during the Gulf war and this is not an idle boast.PLEASE PLEASE enforce the current laws or ban them completely and make breaking the law a real crime with a LARGE fine!!!</p>	3/22/2015 12:05 PM
26	<p>Slowly but steadily the Democratic Liberals are interfering in every aspect of our daily lives and even our enjoyment. You want to put a ban on fireworks. You say it bothers the animals (pets), causes fires, injures people and property. All of that is true to a certain extent. But take a look at it from an average home owner who lives here. I very much enjoy watching the fireworks from my house and I like the significance that it has especially during the fourth of July. Sometimes I buy and use fireworks, but I use something that most liberals don't have and that is common sense when using them. I don't let children touch them unless I am supervising them. I don't use them as weapons or point them at persons or animals. I have a charged water hose standing by. It is amazing that more people are killed by cars than by guns, but you aren't trying to ban automobiles? Then you let the Indians sell the popular fireworks (which everybody wants) and the non-Indians sell the weak stuff (hypocrites!). So you want to take that enjoyment away. They get to do what ever they want on the reservation, but we will be curtailed from enjoyment. I pay taxes, (Indians don't) and high taxes at that to you, and I am sick of a bunch of arrogant do gooders interfering in my life.</p>	3/22/2015 8:12 AM
27	<p>Reasons I would like to see a ban, we had fireworks go off @ 2 a.m.in out area --The air is to thick with smoke. Would love to have a central area for fireworks, such as the area the city is developing by south Marysville. If people want fireworks, a donation fund could be set up by one or more of the local service organizations or a minimal entrance fee. Could make it an event with food/beverage vendors, before fireworks start. Of course, this is a lot to ask with the Strawberry Festival just a few weeks prior and as always weather permitting.</p>	3/21/2015 2:39 PM

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- 28 On July 5th, the next door neighbors new roof had a burn spot in it. My lawn and the entire street was covered in firework debris. With debris on the roof. The park is littered with debris for weeks. We have a pond in the park where two bitterns lived. I haven't seen them since 4th of July. This insanity goes on every year. THERE SHOULD BE A PLACE SET ASIDE, AWAY FROM HOMES IF PEOPLE NEED TO PARTAKE OF THIS NONSENSE. 3/21/2015 2:33 PM
- 29 It's like living in a war zone. 3/21/2015 2:18 PM
- 30 It is horrible for veterans, and people with PTSD. The booms go on for weeks, even though it is already illegal. PLEASE improve our quality of life in Marysville, and ban ALL fireworks. Especially the illegal ones from the Tulalip Reservation! 3/21/2015 12:11 PM
- 31 It is the best part of living near the reservation, the ability to put on your own show. I would like to see guidelines posted around so that everyone knows exactly what are legal in town. Posting in the globe is a great idea. There are those people that are irresponsible and they should be penalized, but most citizens are responsible enough to handle this without damage or injury. 3/21/2015 11:03 AM
- 32 No!! Marysville is all about fireworks. :) 3/20/2015 4:53 PM
- 33 Currently many people are not even respecting the specific days allowed by law to discharge their fireworks and they can be heard sporadically at any time during the year. During the week of July 4th we are in constant concern for fires in our neighborhood and wooded area. Many are purchasing illegal fireworks that sound like bombs and go off at any time, stressing people and animals. We have watched illegal size fireworks being discharged even as a patrol car drives by and no enforcement is taken. Last couple years we watched people light Chinese lanterns that didn't lift off, but blew away from the people, along the ground, down the street into other people's yards and bushes. It is basically lighting a fire and having no control of it. 3/20/2015 9:55 AM
- 34 They are not always set off safely and people set them off late in the night /early morning and on days other than the 4th. 3/19/2015 8:54 AM
- 35 My kids and family look forward to this every year. We always practice safety, and respect. 3/18/2015 10:18 PM
- 36 Due to the facts adults are not carefull. Every year I find used fireworks all over my lawn and the roof of my house. 3/18/2015 7:34 PM
- 37 I have lived in Marysville for over twenty years and Im tried of all the explosions that literally shake my house from illegal fireworks. It has been impossible to enforce the law to use safe and sane fireworks so the only solution is to ban all fireworks. I have animals that have to be medicated due to the ridiculous amount of noise, also the smoke is so thick that you have to stay in doors with all the windows closed so you can actually breath. It has gotten just insanely ridiculous that Im considering relocating. It is about time to do something about this!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Sincerely Randy Allen 7212 67th St. N.E. Marysville 3/18/2015 5:45 PM
- 38 We have 2 dogs that we have to medicate due to the illegal fireworks in our neighborhood. It always sounds like we are in a war zone and I can only imagine what our veterans must feel like when we have that kind of explosions that literally shake our house and windows. We have lived in Marysville for over 20 years and have contemplated every year after the 4th of July fireworks to move out of this city. Also along with all the noise, the smoke is so thick that it is difficult to breath and my husband has allergies to smoke and it is very irritable to his lungs. We feel it would be in the best interest of all the citizens of Marysville to ban all fireworks. There are a lot of people who also do not clean up the debris after the fireworks. 3/18/2015 5:17 PM
- 39 I don't think ANY fireworks should be allowed! 3/18/2015 4:47 PM
- 40 The current City law is part of why we like to live in Marysville. It makes this city unique. It has brought our neighbors together to celebrate our nations birthday and without the fireworks, we would not get together or be as close. Fireworks makes our community special! 3/18/2015 4:29 PM
- 41 It gets way to noisy. It is very hard on the animals. It is hard for some of the veterans coming back from the war zone. It is very costly to our government and us tax payers. 3/17/2015 6:41 PM
- 42 You have already limited fireworks to two nights a year - please don't take away this celebration from my children. I have seen a lot of change in Marysville over the years, including reduced fireworks and increased safety information surrounding the holidays - I feel that these measures have addressed any issues. I am an avid voter, so taking away the fireworks on these two days will mean opposition at the voting booths :) 3/17/2015 3:02 PM
- 43 No because it's not possible to enforce, and most of the fireworks that cause disturbances are already illegal. 3/17/2015 12:44 PM
- 44 Why a ban. With Boom City just a few miles west, it would be a waste of time and money. Why have officers running around like crazy to enforce a law that would not be enforceable at all! 3/17/2015 10:05 AM

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45	Basically there are laws on the books that are not currently enforced, why would yet another law help this situation? If you cannot ban sales on the Tulalip reservation, and enforce the current laws, I would like to be enlightened as to the efficacy of this "discussion". It may placate some folks, but is it really helpful to enact further legislation?	3/17/2015 9:02 AM
46	I'm not seeing the need to ban fireworks on the 4th of July. Nothing is any different now than it has been in years past. They will always annoy some people and pets but they really are a major part of the celebration for many others and have been for many years.	3/16/2015 11:19 AM
47	I'm married to a vet with PTSD. Fireworks are a nightmare.	3/15/2015 3:17 PM
48	I'm the president of my Homeowners association Meadows at Two Cedars & fireworks are a nightmare & have caused lots of damage to our court surfaces. Additionally the Board of Directors have received multiple complaints from residents that have had damage to their property from fireworks anywhere from damages to soft topped jeeps with burn holes to debris left behind and ingested by pets. I just wish that people would take these to set off at boom city or another place designated by the city. Thank you for addressing this, I hope you highly consider banning.	3/15/2015 12:12 PM
49	"Should the City impose a ban on fireworks in Marysville?" No need to list the reasons why you should!!! You know them all and the cost is to the livability of our city!!! It is with regret that I say this; If this "Ban Fireworks" opportunity is not taken and me and/or my property is damaged because of some ones fireworks, I sue the "City of Marysville". (Life in America today) ;-) Do the right thing!!! Just stop the extreme noise and the risk to people, animals and property. "BAN ALL FIREWORKS" Thanks for asking.	3/15/2015 12:06 PM
50	fireworks used by individuals unnecessary	3/15/2015 11:46 AM
51	Not only are the existing Codes regarding discharge of fireworks on the 4th of July violated every year, but for as much a week prior to and after the 4th. The noise goes on well into the early hours of the morning....day after day. past 11pm. Particularly irritating is the fact that there are never any police in our area (Cedarcrest/Kellogg March) to put a stop to the violations.	3/15/2015 10:31 AM
52	It is far to dangerous in residential neighborhoods	3/15/2015 10:28 AM
53	They are getting louder every year. They are a fire hazard and dangerous if aimed where cars are driving. Plus our pets are so scared.	3/15/2015 8:40 AM
54	There are too many fireworks in the city limits and it seems that it lasts several nights—not just the 4th. Our dog shakes from nervousness.	3/14/2015 6:19 PM
55	This is a night to celebrate our freedom and is beautiful to watch.	3/14/2015 5:26 PM
56	The restrictions regarding fireworks should be only on non-lawful days.	3/14/2015 5:02 PM
57	It not be a good 4th of July with out fireworks	3/14/2015 9:40 AM
58	With all the "real crime" in this town, I don't think they should criminalize fireworks!	3/14/2015 12:04 AM
59	new years and fourth of July should always be able to be celebrated with fire works. Shouldn't punish all because some are too stupid to be safe with them! And of course celebration of Super Bowl should be acceptable;) A cut off time would be understandable and stopping the people that light them off days leading up to the fourth, but at the same time that wouldn't matter if Tulalip was still setting them off because Im only thinking of the noise on the nights leading up. That can be irritating for those that work, have animals with issues, or little kids. One night of being prepared for it is one thing and we should all be proudly celebrating(especially Independence Day) anyway.	3/13/2015 10:30 PM
60	If the City of Marysville ban the fireworks, the city will be peaceful and cleaner.	3/13/2015 5:55 PM
61	ABSOLUTELY NOT!!!!!!	3/13/2015 5:18 PM
62	fireworks are part of the celebration of our country's freedom. the 4th of July would just be another date on the calendar if not for the fireworks.	3/13/2015 3:56 PM
63	I am tired of living in a war zone on days that should be enjoyable. If the city would put on one display of fireworks that everyone could enjoy it would be wonderful!	3/13/2015 2:29 PM
64	I'd like to see more limitations on the days and hours when fireworks are permitted. As it stands now, the fireworks begin to go off in neighborhoods whenever there are stands open on the reservation. I'd also like to see a better response from police to the growing number of fireworks-related calls when it is not July 4 or New Years Eve.	3/13/2015 11:54 AM

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65	Fireworks are fun as long as they are being used safely. Everyone knows marysville as firework city. Keep the boom!	3/13/2015 11:06 AM
66	I don't think there should be a ban. That is what so many people look forward to for all kinds of holidays, like new years and the fourth of July. Also there are a lot of people who work at Boom City and other various places who rely on these holidays for income. Why not help them out and also be able to enjoy a beautiful firework show? There are quite a few accidents every year though so I definitely think that safety is an issue that isn't covered very well. People assume that it is okay to hold a Roman Candle in their hands while it shoots into the sky, for example. Maybe there should be literature at firework stands that is handed out with every purchase, pictures, or age restrictions on purchases. I don't know exactly what we could do but firework safety is something that should be talked about more often. People need to know there is a real risk and it CAN happen to them. As long as people are informed at the time of purchase and are using the product at their own risk, there SHOULD NOT be a ban. Thank you.	3/12/2015 8:44 PM
67	I believe the rules that are in place should just be imposed better no need for a ban	3/12/2015 8:43 PM
68	We are celebrating the the birthday/freedom of America. Taking away the right to celebrate by lighting off fireworks is taking away our freedom!	3/12/2015 8:36 PM
69	As responsible tax paying citizens we use fireworks correctly. If the city takes away this ability to use fireworks the only reason to do this would be so they can collect more revenue in tickets being issued.Call it what you want.Call it safety.At the end of the day it's all about the mighty dollar for municipalities!	3/12/2015 7:47 PM
70	Had to work many times on the 5th --world war 3 going on! --traumatizes the animals,massive amount in backyard and on the roof.----or at least limit it's hours.	3/12/2015 7:33 PM
71	We should be able to enjoy it for the day but be responsible and clean up our messes!	3/12/2015 7:03 PM
72	Its time...will people abide? Thats another question. Illegal fireworks have been set off for years in Marysville. Can the law be enforced...that may be the question.	3/12/2015 6:34 PM
73	The fireworks during the last 4th of July and new years was ridiculous! My children were kept awake until around 2 am due to very loud fireworks everywhere, I'm pretty sure a good portion of them were illegal, huge booms. I love a good firework show and my kids enjoy letting some off as well but the fact that you have fireworks from 5pm to about 2-3 am is not ok in a residential area! An I wish there would be a ban in place, people can go to a fireworks show in seattle not next to our house.	3/12/2015 6:06 PM
74	It's not fair to those who are unable to get to a big display of fireworks. It wouldn't stop many from going to Boom City and buying them to light off either we are too close. I do understand the need to regulate the hours that fireworks can be set off and the dangers that fireworks pose however it is 1 day per year that we celebrate Independence day	3/12/2015 6:01 PM
75	I am done with craziness! People don't care, my car has been hit, just too dangerous. Can go to a specific spot if they want to do them.	3/12/2015 4:47 PM
76	It is one thing to be tolerant and accept that on holidays such as 4th of July and New Years Eve there will be fireworks, but every Sunday when the Seahawks score? People do not tolerate noise violations such as loud music, barking dogs, people yelling etc. What makes fireworks ok?	3/12/2015 4:44 PM
77	Living next to Tulalip that would be impossible to ban fireworks. The city of Marysville just needs to enforce the laws that are already in place.	3/12/2015 4:30 PM
78	It's bad enough that the greedy Indians let any and everyone let off fireworks at any hour of the day or night just across the highway, keep them out of the city of Marysville. They can have their fireworks along with their tweekers.	3/12/2015 4:30 PM
79	I have lived in Marysville for close to 20 years. The noise that the fireworks makes sounds more like war than celebration. Not acceptable at all!	3/12/2015 4:26 PM
80	We should be able to celebrate and enjoy the holiday, it is a free country after all.	3/12/2015 4:25 PM
81	To noisy	3/12/2015 4:21 PM
82	I feel fireworks should not be allowed in the City of Marysville. People are irresponsible with them, shooting them in the middle of the street, towards peoples homes and vehicles. It also is very stressful for many animals. They leave their garbage in the street. There are enough places to go to enjoy the fireworks shows.	3/12/2015 4:08 PM

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83	In all likelihood, the purchase of fireworks will occur elsewhere but people will still use fireworks within city limits. Focusing on informing people of the danger of fireworks around popular times such as the 4th of July and New Years Eve would be a more realistic approach.	3/12/2015 3:59 PM
84	including te ones after the festival parade- dangerous to go to parade at night and then the kids running around to see the fireworks makes for an accident just waiting to happen	3/12/2015 3:49 PM
85	I love the fireworks and how it brings neighborhoods together on 4th of July	3/12/2015 3:45 PM
86	That would be totally unenforceable. A losing battle, as we are literally next to Boom City. A waste of public funds and LE time to enforce. Setting off 'safe & sane' fireworks at our homes has been a family tradition for most Americans FOREVER. Let us continue to share this with our children. Perhaps an emphasis could be put on public service announcements that show safety tips instead? For instance, showing adults safely lighting fireworks, away from cars, structures, trees, and having charged hose & full buckets at the ready?	3/12/2015 3:37 PM
87	Neighbors always have large party. He buys professional grade fireworks and they explode over my roof. I hate living in fear knowing that house can burn down because someone else wants to entertain his friend. I have to keep my dogs heavily medicated all day long.	3/12/2015 3:32 PM
88	I live in Marysville West which is non-reservation, but in the middle of reservation land. The guy who lives next to me owns a fireworks stand and sets off tons of fireworks which debris ends up in my yard. He doesn't clean it up, so what is my recourse? I am Vietnam-era vet and that percussion drives me crazy. What's my answer. I have tried talking to him to no avail.	3/12/2015 3:30 PM
89	If everyone stopped at 10:00 PM It would be fine, but they go off all night especially after games we win during football season. It spooks the dogs, and wakes up babies! I love watching the fireworks, but when I want to put my baby down, and go to sleep myself the non stop fireworks are annoying.	3/12/2015 3:27 PM
90	I live off of 35th street, right across is Tulalip and in June they open Boom City selling fireworks. People from Marysville, go over there and buy fireworks that sound illegal right now and let them off from the middle of June till the middle of August. I can't stand fireworks now, My husband is a garbage truck driver and has to be at work by 5 am and we need to get to bed early. That is near impossible with so much loud noise every second till about 1 am. We live near the freeway and the BNFS railroad tracks so we never have quiet and those sounds don't bother me, it's the sound of fireworks or sometimes they sound like bombs going off that really irritates me. We have lived here at this house for almost two years and I dread June to July, when I used to love that part of summer.	3/12/2015 9:18 AM
91	I have out of state family that come every year just because we have such a fantastic show here of them.	3/11/2015 10:14 PM
92	The air pollution is terrible around July 4th and the noise gets difficult to deal with - especially for pet owners.	3/10/2015 10:35 AM
93	As a resident of Marysville for > 14 years and a practicing Family Physician, I strongly urge the city to ban fireworks for the following reasons: 1. danger and risk of loss of eyesight or serious injury 2. risk of hearing loss from ear damage from the explosive sounds 3. disturbance of the peace of our city 4. long-lasting litter on streets and neighboring homes 5. impaired work and school performance due to lack of sleep engendered by the loud explosions extending into the night Thomas Giesecke, MD 6701 74th Dr. NE Marysville, WA 98270 tomgiesecke@comcast.net	3/10/2015 10:29 AM
94	I think the City should have some large parking lots set up where people can do fireworks. It is a fire hazard in the subdivisions with all the Indian fireworks and shake roofs. Dont get me wrong..I love fireworks but the people that shoot stuff all over and I have to spend hours cleaning up the crap on my roof and in the landscaping has gotten old. The left over trash has ruined it. Littering is illegal and unfortunately littering is a direct side effect of fireworks. So in that sense it should be banned alone. Marysville sounds worse than Bagdad did in the initial attack of the Gulf War! Many Animals are stressed and scared. There are those that start shooting off stuff a week early and a week later. It is an annoyance. Get rid of it. The City is dirty and trashy enough with all the broken down unkept areas that are obvious from the street, we dont need to add to it. Any time I tell people where I live they say "I'm sorry"	3/7/2015 9:46 AM
95	Lighting off fireworks to celebrate our Nation's Independence is a long standing American Tradition. It is a smack in the face to the Freedom our forefathers fought and died for to criminalize the very act that is intended to celebrate and recognize those who came before us to ensure we would be a nation of free people. As for Safety, we cannot legislate everything that may cause an injury or damage property. We cannot create laws the impose "common sense." The people who are irresponsible with fireworks are the same people who will ignore the law and light them off anyway. So the ban comes at the expense of the enjoyment of fireworks by the majority of people who light them off responsibly. If you are worried about house fires, will you outlaw candles. If you are worried about lost fingers, will you out law sharp objects? It is unfathomable to me that cities across this great nation are banning the iconic symbol of our nations independence because a few irresponsible people cause problems. It's just Un-American. Thank you,	3/7/2015 8:52 AM

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- 96 Not only does Fireworks help the economy, what with Marysville having Boom City in it... There's no reason to ban them; there are warning labels on them for your protection and Fires are nearly unheard of. 3/5/2015 12:49 PM
- 97 Each and every year it is like a war zone, it starts way too early and last forever. Pets run away, us old folks cannot get any sleep until past 2AM. It is so loud and in each and every housing area, Please stop this. r/cp 3/5/2015 10:38 AM
- 98 Marysville has been connected with the Tulalip firework sales for years and it brings thousands of people to Marysville for additional shopping and it would be detrimental to ban fireworks. 3/5/2015 8:17 AM
- 99 I have seen 1st hand what these fireworks can do. One of the problems is people are bringing fireworks in to Marysville from the reservation. It also seems that people are getting more & more reckless with fireworks every year. It honestly takes the fun out of celebrating the 4th of July. I spend the whole evening watering down my house & the yard, while trying to keep my dogs calm as I don't believe in sedating them. Also I constantly have to pay attention to the people around me (some neighbors) do not care about safety. So, it makes it difficult to even enjoy watching fireworks from a distance. Last but definitely not least the city of Marysville after the Fourth of July is littered with tons of garbage that people have left in the street. I refuse to pick up after my neighbors mess every single year, I shouldn't have to do that. In fact there is still firework debris on their side of the sidewalk that has not been picked up yet from last year. Every year my roof of the house is littered with firework debris and also my yard. Then there's the confusion on what is legal and what is illegal. Surprisingly I have had police officer that didn't know which fireworks were legal and which were illegal. I support the ban on fireworks in the city of Marysville. 3/4/2015 11:57 PM
- 100 I have been hoping for years for a ban on fireworks. I truly believe that there is a huge need to ban all fireworks everywhere; let's face it, people are getting too careless for one thing plus many other factors that tie into this issue. I hope the committee will take a good hard look at this much needed ban on fireworks. Everett no longer allows them so, let's follow suit and do what's right for safety for our families, loved ones...etc. How about a designated area? I'm sure we all know that fireworks aren't at all like they used to be and are continually becoming more and more dangerous to our communities and cities. Check the data from past holidays. Another thing I have noted, is that the people have been allowed to shoot off their fireworks at least 2 weeks before & after the holidays. This should not be happening folks! When I was growing up, the rule (ordinance, law) or whatever you wish to call it, only allowed fireworks to be discharged on "the holiday" maybe up to midnight. Don't you think we should go back to that? It's become very crazy and unsafe during those times in our city and communities; I say it's "enough". This citizen would appreciate it very much if the committee could take a stand against all the selfishness of others wanting it "their way" and discharging anything & everything want to, with no regard or respect for their fellow man. I do not appreciate the fact that they can discharge the loudest and very dangerous fireworks that sound like dynamite and worse. UNITED WE STAND!!! 3/4/2015 3:59 PM
- 101 Some folks who love to make things explode have a lot of fun with fireworks. I still want to ban them for the following reasons: 1. Fireworks are too loud and scare animals. We shouldn't have to drug our dogs and cats to get through this activity around us. 2. The fireworks pollute the air and leave a big mess in the yards, sidewalks and streets. 3. They are a safety hazard as well. If the city does ban the fireworks then the law needs to be actively enforced. 3/4/2015 3:45 PM
- 102 Safety reasons and cleanliness of our City! 3/4/2015 12:12 PM
- 103 As a fireman from a near by department I know all too well the dangers of fireworks...I've helped countless people with preventable injuries from fireworks. I've watched entire homes burn to the ground from fireworks. I have found bottle rockets and other types of fireworks on my roof from my neighbors. I myself have been scared from a firework I set off that went into my neighbors bushes. All these things have such a high cost to such a low benefit!!! Not to mention the garbage that is left on the street after people set off their armory of fireworks. This garbage goes into our drains and litters our streets. I full support the ban of fire works in the City of Marysville. 3/3/2015 7:09 PM

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104	None of us want to be guilty of being unpatriotic ~ but isn't public safety always the higher good than individual rights? If not, then there would be no need to restrict fireworks such as mortars to people who know what they are doing. In our neighborhood, there are a few who delight in a big display ~ without regard to public safety such as fire hazard, injury to innocent observers, and whether or not what they have purchased is within the current law. There has always been a problem with clean-up afterwards, but those who set off the displays seldom participate in the clean-up. Getting stuff off the roof requires balance and agility some of us seniors no longer have. There are ample celebratory displays available ~ live and on TV. We don't see the need to put others at risk just because someone wants to be the one to light the fuse. Ed & Brenda Pearce	3/3/2015 10:29 AM
105	One week of constant illegal firework noise around July 4th. Scared to leave house on July 4th due to stray fireworks causing fires. Huge amount of debris left all over the streets. Nightmare dealing with small children and pets during this timeframe. The majority of fireworks being let off in Marysville are illegal and dangerous!	3/3/2015 9:06 AM
106	It's not just the fire works on July 4th it's the fireworks before and after the 4th. It's the debris left after the fireworks, it's the mortars that explode at 2 or 3 in the morning, just when you think the noise has stopped. It's the worry about whether my house is going to catch on fire. It's the cost of hiring someone to clean my gutters and roof to remove firework debris, yes band the fireworks and issue costly tickets for violtors.	3/3/2015 7:43 AM
107	My wife and I have lived on 78th street NE since 1998. Every year we have fended off and cleaned up following a barrage of sticks, plastic plugs, paper tubes and a myriad of fireworks debris - much of this is from illegal use of reservation purchased fireworks :(We do realize the monumental task of enforcement that a ban on all fireworks would entail, however, if ALL use of fireworks were banned then locating the offenders (noise, flashes...) would be easier, rather than trying to decern what is legal and what is not. Thank you for this opportunity to voice our opinion. Stephen A. Bickler	3/2/2015 5:12 PM
108	It's about history. Stop being like a bunch of old lady's!!!!	3/2/2015 5:07 PM
109	It is OK to allow fireworks on the 4th of July, but the last few years fireworks on July 4th, New Year's Eve, and various Seahawks playoff/championship games have been excessive. Explosive devices frighten domestic animals. We lost our dog to fireworks during fireworks during the Seahawks Superbowl win. He broke out of his fenced in area and apparently had a heartattack in the woods behind our property. It costs \$150.00 to get your dog from the Everett animal shelter. People who set off high explosives and REALLY disrupt the peace ought to be fined as follows: Take the number of complaints called in about the residence, and multiply that number times \$150.00. Payment plans could be worked out if necessary. I am sure that some people are squandering multiple hundreds of dollars on fireworks. When they terrify people's animals, and disrupt the peace, they should be able to pay a substantial fine as well. The only way to reign in excessive behavior, including people setting off fireworks illegally, is to hit them where it hurts, in the wallet.	3/2/2015 4:44 PM
110	The City of Marysville in an ideal world would have a large public firework display that would satisfy the entire community. Unfortunately that would be financially unsound and would not satisfy everyone. The many stakeholders including churches, non profits and the reservation would be severely financially impacted it a ban was put in place. Marysville citizens could not purchase fireworks for their enjoyment and to show patriotism as has been the custom for centuries. The City of Marysville would better serve the community by educating them on safe ways and places to discharge fireworks as part of celebrating our National Independence Day Celebration.	3/2/2015 11:26 AM
111	Please stop the madness!!	3/2/2015 11:19 AM
112	Absolutely not!! Its a day of celebration of our independence. Most people are responsible and respectful of using fireworks and shouldn't be punished for a the few of those who aren't. The public events are way over crowded and parking is a nightmare. So, not worth attending. As a child we gathered together as a family and with our neighbors, enjoyed a bbq in our front yards and watched the celebrations of our independence as dusk approached. I had done that as my children grew and now I enjoy that with my grandchildren.	3/2/2015 10:14 AM
113	Fireworks are part of every great celebration.	3/2/2015 8:19 AM
114	This should be the least of our worries. It provides unity and family fun. Where is the survey on the drug problems we are facing?	3/2/2015 12:41 AM
115	They are a nuisance and fire hazard.	3/1/2015 5:46 PM
116	Our neighborhood on July 4th turns into a war zone with a large amount of illegal fireworks. Streets are blocked off. Fireworks shooting everywhere. I am in fear of leaving my home due to stray fireworks. We have had to put out several small fires. Police & firefighters can't possibly keep up with everything going on that day. The firework debris the next day is overwhelming. It seems that those that choose to buy the fireworks don't feel the need to do the cleanup the next day resulting in trashy streets until the city sweeper has a chance to come by. The illegal fireworks in Marysviile are too loud. What are you suppose to with your pets for a solid week of illegal fireworks noise?	3/1/2015 1:11 PM

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- 117 They have taken over entire neighborhoods with illiagal fireworks that are not suppose to leave the reservation. I NEVER leave my home on this holiday in fear of stray fireworks possibly causeing a fire in my yard or house. The debris left in the streets after a night of fireworks is ridiculous!! Law enforcement and Fire can not keep up with the overload of fireworks responce calls! Not to mention non fireworks related calls to ensure the safety of community. BAN THE FIREWORKS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
- 3/1/2015 1:09 PM
- 118 It is a literal war zone inflicting unnecessary terror on Veterans with PTSD. It also inflicts fear into our animals forcing us to seek refuge in Eastern Washington State Parks where fireworks are not allowed. These noise nuisances go on into the early hours of the next day. It seems that the sparklers of days past have grown to M-80s M-150s, Cherry Bombs equivalent of a quarter stick of dynamite. Illegal in any setting and are available for purchase on the back steps of homes on the Tulalip Reservation. Family friendly Marysville fireworks displays are acceptable, but still have negative impacts on our Vetarns and animals. Look at it another way: If you were stationed in a war zone and constantly had to endure mortar attacks, then come home to suffer the nightmares induced by the fireworks; thus, self medicating with drugs and alcohol, running the possibility of domestic violence or temporary family problems...would you want the sale and use of fireworks banned in the city within which you reside?
- 3/1/2015 11:00 AM
- 119 Our neighborhood and the entire Sunnyside hill blow up on the 4th and for New Years. We have had to leave town due to the disturbance to our kids and our dogs for 4 years now. Then we have to come home and clean up the fall out all over our yard, house and cars.
- 3/1/2015 10:48 AM
- 120 The biggest annoyance is that it lasts for weeks and the inconsideration from the people that feel its appropriate to ignite them into the late night hours.
- 3/1/2015 4:19 AM
- 121 if people used only legal one and stopped at midnight it would be ok but when the fireworks go on for weeks at a time it gets on your nerves. the firework also harm the pets when the go off all year long
- 2/28/2015 10:56 AM
- 122 When you live in old Marysville and you stand outside and do a 360 and there are fireworks all around that is to many. It would be better if the city did an official fireworks display. The problem I see is not enough manpower to do anything about it.
- 2/28/2015 9:30 AM
- 123 people are going to set them off regardless of whether they are illegal or not.
- 2/27/2015 9:33 PM
- 124 Those that set off fireworks do NOT adhere to the law as it is written and set off fireworks at least a week prior to the 4th of July, and well passed 2:00am. Therefore, their privileges should be revoked! Also, the fireworks are dangerous and should ONLY be set off by professionals, not amateurs. There has been too many house fires and dismemberments due to the negligence of those that are setting off the fireworks. They do not think before they act. I, personally, have to take the 5th of July off from work because I know I won't get to sleep until at least 2:30 am and will be in no condition to go to work due to the lack of sleep. In my job, if I do not work, I do not get paid. I am losing a days wages because some MORON is setting off fireworks all night. So, yes, ban fireworks in Marysville and make it a priority that it gets enforced by the police.
- 2/27/2015 5:49 PM
- 125 The kids love them as do we!
- 2/27/2015 5:06 PM
- 126 Plenty of places to watch fireworks, too risky for the home owners and damage to their homes. Also, too loud for animals, children, and people that have to work the next day
- 2/27/2015 4:13 PM
- 127 Fireworks are too dangerous to be used in a city, especially in residential areas where there are many houses that could catch fire and children who could be injured.
- 2/27/2015 3:07 PM
- 128 The 4th of July is an important holiday. I myself living in this town for almost 32 years. It is a big part of this town. From boom city to the parade.
- 2/27/2015 2:01 PM

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129	I was raised in Marysville, the 4th of July Celebration has always been a part of Everett/Marysville celebrations. I know with the population as it is now, everyone has different concerns from animal safety, to noise, to fire hazzards of shooting off fireworks. Yet, we live in a Free Country, the USA and we should always be allowed to celebrate of freedom by setting off some fireworks. There will always be individuals that will abuse the guidelines and rules regarding type, when to shoot them are allowed and cleaning up their mess following shooting off their fireworks. With Tulalip next to us, they are allowed fireworks. To say "No" to fireworks in Marysville would certainly be another reason for people not to move to Marysville and make this city their home. As a Senior Citizen now, I still love the 4th of July Celebrations around my home and across the city as the fireworks are shot off. Let us continue to be proud of America, support our troops that keep us safe, and have the right to shoot off fireworks for the 4th of July Celebration. This IS Our Celebration of Freedom. Thank you !	2/27/2015 1:07 PM
130	No!!! Let people celebrate and enjoy life!! If they (fireworks) affect you or your animals, take a sedative or turn the music up so you can't hear them!!!	2/27/2015 12:44 PM
131	We live in downtown Marysville and the 4th of July is one of the best parts of living here. We look forward to being surrounded by fireworks all year long. Growing up in California, I have never seen anything like it. I have family that comes up to visit every year because it is such an amazing show. My children love it too!	2/27/2015 12:20 PM
132	These guys are idiots! Fireworks are apart of American history an American tradition! You think banning then will stop people from lighting them?	2/27/2015 11:58 AM
133	Because let's be honest. It's not going to matter if Marysville bans fireworks. We live right next door to the Tulalip Reservation that has always been allowed to sell illegal fireworks. By banning fireworks in Marysville, you are hurting organizations that are trying to fundraise by working a stand while allowing Boom City to have the monopoly on fireworks. I would rather support those working for a good cause.	2/27/2015 11:37 AM
134	I used to enjoy fireworks. On the actual holiday, whether it's the Fourth of July or New Year's Eve. Since moving to Marysville, I have lost that enjoyment. In 2014, fireworks in my neighborhood started in mid May and kept going strong into late August. My pets are scared. I have a cedar shingle roof that fireworks fall onto. My yard is full of debris. It's ridiculous. I am completely in favor of a ban but wonder what enforcement measures the city will instate. Whatever you do, it needs to have teeth. Just banning sales won't be enough with the reservation next door.	2/27/2015 10:47 AM
135	no Marysville should not ban fireworks.If they do ban them the city will loose a lot of money.An the fireworks are not causing harm like it does in other warmer climates.	2/27/2015 9:56 AM
136	Just focus on promoting SAFETY when using fireworks. Should be an issue with PARENTING that parents should handle and not have the city force a law.	2/27/2015 9:53 AM
137	Marysville is a war zone on the 4th of July. You cant go anywhere without running then over and sleeping during any of that is damn near impossible.	2/27/2015 8:27 AM
138	This is a ridiculous notion! Fireworks are part of what makes Marysville special! Living so close to the reservation, you would be making lawbreakers of so many people! Let's focus on real issues and actual crime fighting instead of passing ordinances that would make law breakers of great law abiding citizens!!!	2/27/2015 8:14 AM
139	Last July 4th my neighbors house caught on fire. Our neighborhood's homes are very close together and thankfully they were able to put it out before too much damage happened but that is not a risk we all should take just to use explosives in our streets. I wouldn't mind if the city did a nice firework show everyone could go to. Im tired of hearing a boom sound all year long.	2/27/2015 8:02 AM
140	This is who we are. Come on	2/27/2015 7:34 AM
141	I go get a room in Edmonds on the 4th of July, when I am not on a trip somewhere else. It's completely ridiculous. I hate the amount of fireworks in Marysville. And they go on for weeks and weeks either side of the 4th. I go to bed at 9, due to gettiing up early for work, and that's right about twhen the noise starts up. Please ban them!!	2/27/2015 7:18 AM
142	I've lived in Marsyville since I was 4 years old and one of my favorite things is that we can still light of fireworks. It's a family tradition now that I share with my kids. It's only one night a year. I'm not sure why this needs to be banned.	2/27/2015 7:13 AM
143	It would not work with the res so close BUT I would like to a ban on fireworks the days before and after the holiday. I don't mind calling 911 I believe in if you see it say something.	2/27/2015 6:54 AM
144	We live on top of the Tulalip Indian reservation whom many buy their fireworks from and it won't make people stop.	2/27/2015 6:43 AM

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145	Fireworks are not only dangerous but a noise nuisance. Even though there are already restrictions on when they can be used, it doesn't stop people from igniting them for days on end at all hours of the day. They are bothersome to pets and young children are afraid of them. I think we should leave it to the professionals to ignite them in one beautiful display.	2/27/2015 6:31 AM
146	It comes once a year people should be responsible enough to follow the rules for one day to celebrate the birth of our country. There definitely should be a time restrictions on it but this is an important day for freedom and this right in no way shape or format should be taken away. It would be like losing your rights to vote in my opinion. COME ON PEOPLE FOLLOW RULES AND STOP AT A DECENT HOUR BE RESPECTFUL	2/27/2015 6:14 AM
147	Fireworks are a big thing in my family and we use them as bonding we are safe and responsible about the way we use them. Also it would affect boom city in Tulalip WA and that is some native Americas jobs	2/27/2015 1:45 AM
148	fireworks should be acceptable on the 4th of july, but not on the third or the 5th of july.. the fourth only	2/27/2015 1:29 AM
149	Fireworks are a part of the culture	2/27/2015 1:08 AM
150	I think fireworks are nice on New Years, 4th of July, and Seahawks games. It gets annoying when 4th of July fireworks last over a month and random fireworks go off in the middle of the night.	2/27/2015 12:15 AM
151	The government needs to stop micromanaging the lives of citizens. Banning fireworks is also very unpatriotic. Don't like fireworks? Then get out. Get out of this country, and don't come back.	2/26/2015 11:10 PM
152	I live on the north side of Firetrail in Marysville, and the fireworks at New Year's and Fourth of July are ridiculous, they go off at all hours of the day and night. The fireworks go on for days, not just on the day of or the day after. The noise impacts my families sleep, my pets health, and is an ongoing nuisance. I am not talking about the regular fireworks I'm talking about the M 80s and large explosions that go on at all hours of the day and night.	2/26/2015 10:51 PM
153	It wouldn't be so bad if people didn't go to Boom City and bring the illegal stuff to town, and start blowing it up a week before the holiday and two weeks after. Heck it's February 26th and someone in the neighbor hood was shooting off bottle rockets on Monday.	2/26/2015 10:45 PM
154	We have a toddler and a newborn in the way. Just because we have chosen to have children doesn't mean others should not get to enjoy holidays. Our children will survive just fine, even if they miss out on a little sleep :)	2/26/2015 10:24 PM
155	i love fireworks, but with the tribe right next to us, it is not fun anymore (people light off fireworks all of June and July; including after the 4th).	2/26/2015 10:18 PM
156	The city should not ban fireworks. The fact is there is very little done before or after the 4th. The Tulalip's sell, set off and is big business. Which will continue regardless what Marysville decides. The noise will continue and it won't change when fireworks are set off. The joy for kids, families and friends who spend the day together is what community is. Please don't ban fireworks.	2/26/2015 9:58 PM
157	They are not used properly and routinely cause injury, property damage, messes, and are a general nuisance.	2/26/2015 9:47 PM
158	Or at least enforce current firework laws.	2/26/2015 9:43 PM
159	Besides that the fireworks go off a month before 4th of July and a month after the day of the 4th the smoke is so horrible you hardly can see let alone breath. Since I moved here two years ago I dread this holiday more than ever it is two months of pops and bangs and booms and it is non stop of this noises and bad air. I feel bad for all the animals due to the noise and being scared out of their minds or the humans that have health problems.... I do not have "breathing problems" but it sure feels like I swallowed a roman candle stick. I am 100 % on this ban of fireworks in Marysville	2/26/2015 9:36 PM
160	Being so close to tulalip reservation, imposing a ban would be pointless and hard to enforce.	2/26/2015 9:28 PM
161	Make a time frame to legally light them off	2/26/2015 9:21 PM
162	It's entertainment for my child and fireworks are traditional for the 4th of July and New Years	2/26/2015 9:12 PM
163	Banning a tradition that has been part of Marysville, for a long time. Would be taking away from so many residence. Fireworks are part of the Marysville strawberry festival. All of the fireworks vendors in the city of Marysville rely on this as to aid in programs or missions they are trying for. It is a way to raise money. But if the city of Marysville is trying to have the a negative effect towards a well known and established tradition of "boom city". The city is Marysville needs to consider that the Tulalip tribes are a huge contributors to the city of Marysville in all aspect of the city's growth.	2/26/2015 9:06 PM

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164	<p>Too many cities throughout the country are jumping on the bandwagon imposing bans on fireworks. Come on...this is what sets Marysville apart... My entire family comes from all over the state to have a family reunion and celebrate the 4th at my home here in MARYSVILLE!!! All of the fun and enjoyment that comes with the holiday and the fireworks that we enjoy are the focal point and enjoyment of our entire neighborhood....</p> <p>Everybody in My entire neighborhood comes out and barbeques and all the neighborly disputes and quirks are put aside and everyone comes together to enjoy the season, the food, the fun the FIREWORKS and the down home kindness of the folks who call this place HOME! I feel that if the ban is imposed it will cause the city and its residents a major disservice and major failure on your part to represent the citizens of Marysville. I am strongly opposed to banning fireworks in Marysville!!!!</p>	2/26/2015 9:02 PM
165	<p>People make bad choices, it's a given. If people get injured due to bad choices the public should not suffer the consequences. Example: people go to bars, drink and drive, and hurt themselves and others. Yet you can still drive your car to the bar or local store and get or consume alcohol.its still legal. Do not ban something because a bunch of "got to much time on my hands between soccer" moms can't find something better to do except try and control things they do not like. If you ban them, the city will lose so much money, not only at the stores and from all the people who typically would spend a couple bucks on the way to Tulalip, but tax revenue and from the tribes donations.</p>	2/26/2015 8:50 PM
166	<p>People can celebrate in other ways, the cons are a lot longer than the pros but it will need to be unforced on the Rez as well considering it is only a mile away. With change there is always resistance, I am tired of having my entire house shake due to illegal fireworks</p>	2/26/2015 8:45 PM
167	<p>The fireworks represent Independence Day and should be utilized only during the 4th of July and new years eve.</p>	2/26/2015 8:42 PM
168	<p>It's a celebration of a free country..</p>	2/26/2015 8:40 PM
169	<p>They are out of control and a major safety issue.</p>	2/26/2015 8:34 PM
170	<p>Kids should be able to enjoy the 4th of July like we did just be smart about it</p>	2/26/2015 8:32 PM
171	<p>No because it's all about family and t won't work anyways</p>	2/26/2015 8:31 PM
172	<p>Patrol for safety, but don't ban. Most people are safe, and it would be very difficult to enforce.</p>	2/26/2015 8:05 PM
173	<p>They will light them off anyways, just takes up officers time to go to those complaints.</p>	2/26/2015 6:30 PM
174	<p>Question is ambiguous. Are you talking about banning the sale of fireworks by private vendors who set up in shopping center parking lots? Are you talking about banning fireworks purchased outside of Marysville? Are you talking about banning certain fireworks, i.e. rockets that land in the brush or on a roof and start fires? Are you talking about banning sparklers, boomers, street spinners and black ash snakes? I wish your question had been more precise. MY COMMENTS: A total ban on fireworks is overkill. For safety's sake, I don't think I'd mind if you banned the rockets, but everything else should stay. I understand some people say ban it all because their pets get jumpy. That's what pet parents are for - to comfort and care for their pets. And two nights of noise six months apart are not going to turn the animals into raving basket cases.</p>	2/26/2015 6:22 PM
175	<p>It's a fire hazard, scares the animals and a danger physically as a lot of people end up being injured by fireworks.</p>	2/26/2015 2:04 PM
176	<p>Too many, to dangerous, animals scared to death, crap and Yes, crap left on yards, roofs, streets. Let off way too early for dates before and after'</p>	2/26/2015 12:26 PM
177	<p>Ban for all days except: Fourth of July - 10:00 AM to Midnight New Year's Eve - 9:00 PM to 1:00 AM Chinese New Years First Day - 10:00 AM to 10:00 PM Chinese New Years Eighth Day - 10:00 AM to 10:00 PM (firecrackers only) Lighting fireworks (usually only firecrackers) on Chinese New Year could be seen as a religious right and any ban must take this right into account.</p>	2/26/2015 12:11 PM
178	<p>It wouldn't matter if there was a ban or not. With Tulalip right there with boom city selling fireworks a ban wouldn't really help.</p>	2/26/2015 10:23 AM
179	<p>Are next door neighbor young daughter was burned in the leg by flying fireworks.It left a huge scar.Plus the fire danger and big mess it makes.People never follow the rules,they fire them all night up until 2 and sometimes 3 in the morning.</p>	2/26/2015 10:22 AM
180	<p>They are a nuisance and hazard, especially when they are lit in tight communities. We constantly have debris from fireworks being lit on and around our home every summer. Fireworks are lit year round in Marysville as well, which we would like to see controlled better.</p>	2/26/2015 8:26 AM
181	<p>None</p>	2/26/2015 8:21 AM

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182	I'm not opposed to fireworks in general but they have gotten out of control and to many illegal type bomb ones going off till three in the morning,if we had a way to eliminate these type that are sold on the res then I wouldn't have a problem with them. Also bottle rockets are illegal and I continually See these to close to our homes. I also wish we could control the length of time we could let them off,most of us work the next day and it is such a annoyance with no way to stop them. Police do very little to control this and they have little time to police this small annoyance so I'm not sure what to do other than ban them totally.	2/26/2015 8:14 AM
183	The city cannot enforce a ban, especially with fireworks being legal just across the freeway in Tulalip. It would be wasteful to expend our resources on imposing and attempting to enforce an unenforceable ban.	2/26/2015 8:06 AM
184	I love fireworks and enjoy hearing the thunderous sounds on July 4th. It's part of American life.	2/25/2015 9:58 PM
185	Our neighborhood is a war zone around the 4th of July. It scares my kids (ages 10 & 7) to the point that it is a miserable time of year for us. Please ban them.	2/25/2015 9:29 PM
186	They are fun	2/25/2015 8:55 PM
187	How many fireworks related injuries do we have to have before fireworks are banned. Our city officials have better things to do than babysit 1000's of drunks play with fire	2/25/2015 8:53 PM
188	Over a month of noise at all hours is just too much. We don't even feel like we can leave for the holiday for fear of property damage or fire from the handful that always end up on our roof or in our yard. Any limits as far as days or hours would be difficult to enforce and very likely ignored. Too much going on in this city, let's take another step in moving forward, cleaning things up and restoring a little respect. I'd also like to take this opportunity to praise LE for the recent drug busts with sincere hopes that this continues. Our city has some serious issues driving some wonderful families out, let's take our city back by turning hints around!	2/25/2015 8:40 PM
189	I think 1 day only... To be considerate of those that don't like fireworks. With the Rez 10 min away trying to inforce a ban will waste the police's time and waste tax dollars that should be used for the increased crime rate, and drug use in our community. Or give a bonus and or raise to the officers who work tirelessly in our community. The last 15 years there has been either on or the day before rain. So no huge fires... Let it be a day and be done.	2/25/2015 8:36 PM
190	What's the point? With Boom City across the freeway it would be useless. MPD would waste time and resources trying to enforce the ban. The drug and theft situation in Marysville is much more important than a fireworks ban.	2/25/2015 8:33 PM
191	What are the benefits of the fireworks and what are the minus?	2/25/2015 8:28 PM
192	Fireworks make life in Marysville miserable. Pets, kids, veterans with PTSD, and most adults are tortured by the constant booms.	2/25/2015 8:24 PM
193	I enjoy celebrating our countries history. I'm getting old. Personally, I don't light fireworks, they are too noisy for me. That said, I wouldn't want to restrict others, and I do enjoy seeing them... from a distance. I don't see the down side to fireworks.	2/25/2015 2:36 PM
194	We live in Parkview estates and the complex has experienced two fires. Some of the people that live here have no consideration for others we have had people that fire big explosive every hour all night long. As Parkview is 20 years plus the fire danger has increased for all of us. The day after the fireworks it takes hours to cleanup the mess that many of us don't create. I believe a central location for fireworks is the way to go. Vendors can still sell there products with minimal lose of revenue fire protection would be more centralized and safer.	2/25/2015 9:13 AM
195	tired of cleaning up after other people.	2/24/2015 9:28 PM
196	First of all...have some pride in America. Second, a ban means people leaving Marysville on the Fourth to spend their \$ elsewhere. Many come to marysvilke to view the fireworks throughout the community. They are amazed. Finally, this is a rich history between Marysville and Tulalip. We need this celebration of our cultures.	2/24/2015 8:49 PM
197	Most of the fireworks are too loud compared to other cities. So they must be illegal. They scare pets and go to late at night(or I should say until 2-3 in the morning). They are shot off for a week before hand and several weeks afterward. Some people must work the next day. They are dangerous and cause fires. Most people should be able to travel to a display of fireworks in a neighboring city.	2/24/2015 8:16 PM
198	I've lived her for over 30 years. As long as I can remember fireworks have been a part of the fabric and tradition of celebrating Independence Day in marysville. At most there should be limitations on lighting fireworks the rest of the year but not around the 4th	2/24/2015 6:06 PM
199	No reason to set a ban, bans don't work look at Everett, Mill creek, even Seattle. People not very enforceable and will end up costing tax payers	2/24/2015 5:17 PM
200	Partial ban on the large and most dangerous ones should be enough.	2/24/2015 5:02 PM

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201	Tired of my neighborhood going a little too overboard until 2-3am on Fourth of July and New Year's Eve. It has become unbearable. I do not blame the Police Department at all, as they have way more important things to deal with. Maybe the City Council could appoint a team to write citations for some of the louder, disruptive displays. Thank you for reading.	2/24/2015 4:40 PM
202	I believe it is our right to be able to use fireworks within the city	2/24/2015 11:21 AM
203	One of the best things about living in Marysville is the fireworks. Every year that I have lived here in Marysville, I have requested off of work just to see the wonderful display of fireworks that the community neighbor hoods blow off. Every year the people of Marysville display caution and extreme care when doing there firework shows. I feel that just because of some kids getting out of control on this holiday we should not have a ban on it. These kids are going to get out of control whether the city puts a ban on fireworks or not. So please DO NOT punish the home owners and the TAX payers of this city by putting a ban on fireworks. After all, it is only one day!!!! This ban will also have an extreme impact on the relationship that Marysville has with the tribes, for they will be losing a lot of revenue. As a patriot of our country it is every individuals right as a citizen to celebrate our independence as our fore fathers have done since day one. They shot off guns and explosives until more modern fireworks of safety were developed so that others would not be harmed during the celebration. I realize that due to religious beliefs of outsiders that are not Christian which our fore fathers were are wanting to destroy our American heritage of celebrating our independence of freedom. If our fore fathers were alive today they would be ashamed that we would bow down to other beliefs that takes away our freedom of choice and expression of brotherhood. Plus this is a slap in the face to all military personnel, for that is why they have served and protected us for all these years was to make sure that our independence and freedom remain!!!	2/24/2015 11:03 AM
204	I feel the "safe and sane" type should be allowed. The problem is the fireworks from Boom City. I think there should be large fines to anyone using Boom City illegal fireworks off the reservation. But little children love to have small fireworks at home and should be able to have moms and dads buy them and use them safely.	2/24/2015 10:18 AM
205	No, our Forefathers Pretty Much Stated that it is our God Given Right to Celebrate of Independence by Lighting-off Fireworks! Trying to Police a Ban on Fireworks would be a complete and utter waste of Tax Payers Money and Police officers time and effort. Id rather see the Police use the time to address other important issues, like crime and violence and or maybe the occasional drunken fool lighting off Fireworks in a dargerous and/or reckless manor! We already have enough Laws on the Books Regarding Fireworks!	2/23/2015 9:25 AM
206	Unfortunately, citizens do not limit themselves to the dates allowed by the city, nor do they limit themselves to legal fireworks. The city has tried to offer appropriate options, but since they limits are ignored, it is time for a complete ban. It iwll be important to have some type of consequences for not adhering to the ban. There have been too many firest and injuries to allow fireworks to continue.	2/21/2015 7:00 PM
207	its a once a year celebration, and the family really enjoys the the atmosphere that the city has	2/20/2015 2:14 PM
208	This idea will be about as successful (and as popular) as "Prohibition", don't you think? We all know how successful that was! Hey! Remember when it was illegal to by fireworks on the Reservation and bring them into town? (I do!) How successful was that? Well, for those of you who are too young or just don't remember....It wasn't! Or, maybe when it was illegal to buy cigarettes on the Reservation and bring them back into town! That wasn't successful either! OMG! This "Ban" would be a terrible waste of time and resources for the City of Marysville as fireworks are sold by the metric ton on the Reservation, just west of town. Are you really going to send Law Enforcement Officers to every home and shake them down for fireworks? Do you have enough Officers to enforce this Ban? I don't think so! Even if you borrow Officers from other areas for an "Emphasis Patrol", which would cost the City lots of \$\$\$! You know, when a home is robbed or a car stolen in this town, we are told to come into the police station and pick up an incident report, we don't even get a police officer at our home! AND NOW, you are going to roll a cruiser for fireworks? Yes, you will have too, or how will you know just who is committing this horrible crime of possession and use of a firework/incendiary device? Gee, won't you will be real popular on the next election ballot! I see your future and it spelled -UNEMPLOYMENT!	2/19/2015 7:57 PM

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- 209 I am so excited to hear that Marysville is considering to ban fireworks!!! Thank you. I have lived here since 1998 and dread the days before, during, and after the 4th of July. Marysville is a war zone then. We had a cedar shake roof that terrified my family every year that the exploding bottle rockets (that are supposed to be illegal) would set our house on fire while hitting it. A few of our neighbors would block out street setting off a barrage of destruction leaving a huge mess. The noise is terrible, I have 2 small dogs who are afraid. I noticed that the squirrels and birds, local wildlife left our backyard this past year for a few months--my sister who lives by Flowing Lake also noticed that the poor animals were scared away from her area. This is way out of hand--people really aren't celebrating our holiday for what it is. I thought people who buy from Boom City were supposed to light off there purchases on the reservation? I really thought Marysville would not even consider a ban on fireworks because of Tulalip! I am pleasantly surprised!!!! We have tried to live with this horrible holiday, which my family hates to see come around every year. We got rid of our shake roof, and go to a movie now to block out the noise. It is unfortunate that we can not enjoy our own home because of this atmosphere of destruction and noise. Please ban fireworks!!!!!! Have a parade, have a firework show on the 4th--not during the Strawberry Festival. Stop the insanity, fires, and injuries to children and scared animals. Phil, Seelah, Sam, Nick Poling 6405 77th Place NE Marysville, WA 2/18/2015 10:21 AM
- 210 Every year since I've moved to Marysville, on the 4th of July I've had to spray my roof down in fear of potential fire. Every I ask myself "why is this allowed? why does any person have the right launch fireworks that could possibly start my roof on fire while I sleep? " I know the Tulalip tribe has a large influence and I support their sovereignty but not off reservation. 2/18/2015 8:50 AM
- 211 The quality of life has gone down with the fireworks going off 2 weeks before and 3 weeks after the 4th. I have witnessed 4 fires and 3 severe burns in my neighborhood in 5 years. It's impossible to police and I have to sedate my dog for weeks as well as pay \$200 every week of the 4th to have him housed in a doggy day care. As soon as we can, we are selling and moving. 2/16/2015 10:01 PM
- 212 How about we not drive this money making industry away from our city? 2/16/2015 4:58 PM
- 213 Our houses and businesses are too close to each other & when the fireworks are set off towards the sky, they fall down on our roofs, front and back lawns, cars, etc. Why can't fireworks be set off at a common area near the water/beach? And, under controlled conditions. The city can make it an annual event, just like the Strawberry Festival. They could charge a small fee to see the event. They could put up sports seats, like in a sports game, so that everyone attending could appreciate this annual event. And, Tulalip could handle it and wouldn't lose money from not selling the fireworks on the street because they would collect the attendance fees they can collect. I think that something like this would be a success for both the city and the tribe! 2/16/2015 2:58 PM
- 214 Stop limiting my freedom. It isn't for my sake, it's for yours. Be honest. 2/16/2015 8:26 AM
- 215 YES, BAN THE FIREWORKS.THE FIREWORKS PURCHASED FORM THE RESERVATION ARE NOT LEGAL TO BEGIN WITH. ALSO PEOPLE SET THEM OF A WEEK BEFORE TO A WEEK AFTER THE FOURTH OF JULY. SOME PEOPLE WORK AND IS HARD TO GET REST WHEN SOMEONE IS SETTING OFF M80S. I CAN SEE CELEBRATING CERTAIN HOLIDAYS BUT NOT DISTURBING OTHER NEIGHBORS IS NOT THE WAY TO DO IT. AS A WAR VETERAN I HAD MY FILL OF BOOMS AND BANGS. THANK YOU, RICK. 2/15/2015 7:09 PM
- 216 I have lived in msvl over 50 yrs and the fire works issue is getting intolerable. Last night and the night previous fire works were set off at the corner of 51 and 77 pl ne and they sounded illegal. after some of the seahawks wins this year illegal fire works were set off. My dog has to be put on medication because of the noise, this july 4th we are taking our dog out of town because of the noise and gunpowder smell produced, it sounds like a war zone. One year I had 5 bottle rockets land on my roof. How come neighbors can set off fire works next to my house but the city will not let them set these things off in Jennings park, what does tell you.Other cities have banned fire works and are much better off for it. There are Organized fire works shows through out the area for all to enjoy without having to set off illegal and legal fire works in there back yards. please ban fire works in Marysville. 2/15/2015 1:45 PM
- 217 We have been lighting off fireworks here for how many years? Why put a ban now? 2/14/2015 9:56 PM
- 218 Very few people respect the two days that fireworks are legal. If they did, then animal owners would have only two days in the year to care for their scared and nervous pets. As it is now, fireworks go off randomly a month before and after July 4th, and then we hear them off and on throughout the year. I suppose this ban would not affect the Tulalips. That would be unfortunate because they are setting them off all the time. As an owner of 3 dogs in our 45 years of living in this area, we have found fireworks to be an assault on ours and our dogs lives! A ban would be a blessing. 2/14/2015 3:13 PM
- 219 Between having to deal with the noise for several days prior to and including Independence Day and the mess it all makes I would think it's in everyone's best interest to ban fireworks. Not to mention the fire hazard these things pose. I work for SNOPAC so I know exactly what happens when citizens are reckless with fireworks. 2/13/2015 7:45 AM

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220	I think a fireworks ban would be a waste of time as it would be impossible to enforce. With the largest fireworks retailer in the state across the freeway it the city cannot currently enforce the restrictions that are in place for projectiles and fire crackers that are already illegal to take off the reservation. If there a community fireworks event it may help lower the amount of fireworks that are used on July 4th as some people would opt for that event rather than creating their own display.	2/12/2015 1:50 PM
221	We moved to Marysville less than 2 years ago with no knowledge of the incredible fireworks show we would see from our home on Whiskey Ridge. It is the one thing we truly look forward to each 4th of July. I would be sooooo disappointed to see it end just after we moved here	2/12/2015 5:33 AM
222	I live in the Meadows and for the past two years there is an individual(s) that sets off a large display in our community playground/soccer field. The first year, the time frame was observed and I tolerated it. However, this 4th of July the individual(s) was out of control. The noise began at 3 P.M. and didn't end until 1 A.M. My house rattled non stop and the intensity of the fire works had me concerned... the sky with lit up with multiple explosions that seemed to never end. The next morning, I found pieces of rocket in my beds of beauty bark and there were orange spots all over the streets and cars. I asked my closest neighbors what they thought of the fireworks and all agreed that it was totally out of control and were very annoyed with the constant bombardment. In addition, there were late night explosions from surrounding neighborhoods. I would like to point out that many choose to ignored the allotted time for fireworks (explosions going off before and after the 4th of July). I would also like to point out that according to Washington State law, all of these fireworks are considered to be illegal. Since these violators choose to do as they please, then a total ban of fireworks should be enforced for our piece of mind and safety. Thank you, John Kormos 4709 144TH PL NE Marysville, WA 98271	2/11/2015 11:01 AM
223	I have lived in this area since 1987. Annually, the fireworks have grown louder & have become a true nuisance. Several complaints are filed each year. I'd suggest the council & mayor's office look at any form of enforcement with tickets issued to see if the police are rendering any assistance. Fireworks have caused tremendous devastation to individual injuries, property damage & negative pet reactions. Yet, fireworks prevail. Of the number of 911 calls to SNOPAC, how many tickets are issued by a dedicated "task force" made up of police & volunteers with limited police commissions? Have you personally witnessed anyone hurt as a result of illegal fireworks sold by the Tulalips? M80s, M100s & other large fireworks continue to be sold. The "limits" imposed for dates of use are constantly challenged by some residents or ignored altogether. I propose a total ban, enforce with firm ticketing & those caught with illegal fireworks should be arrested. Fines alone will help with "legal" fireworks. Anyone saying fireworks are a "right" haven't see the harm caused. Pets are oftentimes fearful of the drastic noise changes. If you are to continue with firework "authorization", have aggressive enforcement in place to confiscate & issue tickets to those that fail to comply. Arrest those with illegal fireworks, send a message to the community. Encourage those that want illegal fireworks to set them off on the Tulalip Indian Reservation. I'm sure the debris left behind will fit their community better than Marysville.	2/11/2015 5:25 AM
224	Fireworks are being pushed out of what was one of the best celebrations of our Country. These days people dont even know why we set off fireworks or even celebrate July 4th and that is very sad. The ban on fireworks is just another notch in the freedoms our relatives fought so hard for. People should hear the booms, the bangs and the colors and remeber why we are celebrating this monumental day. I feel horrible for any ex-military that has to relive any tramadic experiences, but that should not be a reason for a ban. They should be treated better and given the support they deserve, and that is the real issue with veterans. The people that just dont like the fireworks cause they have to work or just dont like them. It's a hand full of days a year. Those people dont care about the freedoms that our fore fathers fought for, and so selfishly want to ruin everyone elses celebration. The reason that 53 % of people have said they want a ban on fireworks is because they are the only ones paying attention to this. No one i know even knew there was something being proposed. The squeaky wheel always gets the grease. Meaning that they are the only ones whining. While the rest of use go about our day and dont bother them but a hand full of days a year. People should definity not be hurt by fireworks, but that is not the excuses i am seeing here for the reason of the ban. Whinny should not be a reason to ban anything. Facts and figures of public safety should be. But public safety should not be hijacked for the whinny to get there agenda through. Thank you.	2/10/2015 5:23 PM
225	they are annoying and dangerous	2/10/2015 9:18 AM
226	To much noise and smoke.	2/8/2015 7:35 PM
227	We love watching the fireworks in our neighborhood (Bay View Ridge) every 4th of July! It is a much-looked forward to part of our holiday. I would rather the city focus on practical measures to encourage and enforce responsible use of fireworks, requiring adult supervision, etc. Banning fireworks entirely will simply take much of the fun out of the holidays.	2/7/2015 12:27 PM
228	Is a fun tradition	2/6/2015 10:02 AM

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- 229 My family has always enjoyed setting off fireworks to celebrate the Fourth of July. In my neighborhood, the majority of the families set off our own fireworks. We follow safety precautions and have buckets of water on hand as well as make sure all debris is cleaned up. Perhaps educating people on how to safely handle fireworks would be better than outright banning them. A flyer sent out before the fourth with tips and reminders could be helpful. 2/4/2015 7:37 PM
- 230 As long as the Police department enforces illegal items, there is no need to ban them this is America! 2/4/2015 3:22 PM
- 231 They are loud, obnoxious, dangerous and near impossible for the police to enforce their use. 2/4/2015 12:48 PM
- 232 Absolutely! When the next door neighbor shoots large fireworks and the remains land still smoldering on my house, car, and yard, I am definitely in support of banning fireworks in Marysville. Thank you for asking the question. 2/4/2015 8:51 AM
- 233 After living in several Cities in Snohomish and King Counties I feel Marysville is by far one of the safest when it comes to fireworks. A ban will only force the police department to attempt to impose a ban with little to no luck. I feel that because of the proximity to boom city a ban would be nearly impossible to enforce. Thanks for asking Billy 2/3/2015 9:12 AM
- 234 Basic safety is not practiced by those using the fireworks and the mess never seems to get cleaned up. I hate to be a humbug but my neighbors just dont seem to care if they are disturbing people 2/2/2015 1:01 PM
- 235 I think there should continue to be limits for the days allowed, New years, 4th of July...hawks games :) but if not during those times, they need to not be using them 2/1/2015 9:54 PM
- 236 nope - its part of our way of life 1/31/2015 2:45 PM
- 237 This is our church's main fundraiser for the year If you take this away we won't be able to financially afford giving back to our community like we would like . This only takes away form non profit organizations while the reservation will continue to sell. The problem is them selling illegal fireworks 1/31/2015 1:44 PM
- 238 Fireworks are a favorite family event that many families look forward to. Many organizations are able to raise funds for their charities. Banning fireworks will only shutdown the people who raise money for charities. It will not shutdown the sale of illegal fireworks on the reservation. It will only make it a monopoly for the firework stand owners on the reservation. 1/31/2015 1:31 PM
- 239 No. 1/31/2015 7:42 AM
- 240 no! this is a really amazing holiday to celebrate america's independence it would be terrible for the city to take away the biggest part of the celebration and the people that complain have so many other places they can go that is quiet on the 4th so please dont ban fireworks it would make a lot of people mad. and plus people would still do it anyways Marysville is the biggest place for firewoks and fireworks mean a lot to a lot of people in this town. 1/30/2015 7:37 PM
- 241 Enjoying the fireworks is one of the reasons I moved to marysville, if someone doesn't like them they should live somewhere else 1/30/2015 12:38 PM
- 242 ITS A FAMILY TRADITION WEATHER TRIBAL OR NOT!!!!!! 1/29/2015 6:16 PM
- 243 just because some jerk offs use fireworks when its not the right time doesnt mean you gotta ban them for everyone else. thats liek weed. its illeagle but somehow people still get ahold of it. 1/29/2015 5:02 PM
- 244 The Fourth of July is like a war zone in Marysville. We moved to Marysville from Everett and thought we were under attack. It is just unacceptable. We had to protect our house from fire from the reservation fireworks which are illegal in most city limits. The garbage left over not picked up by the people who use the fireworks is just awful and so disrespectful. I think the majority of people who know about this ban will favor it. 1/29/2015 4:31 PM
- 245 To many people get hurt or killed each year. To much property damage. 1/29/2015 9:26 AM
- 246 It's a day of celebration!! It's beautiful around here with the fireworks. Totally get it can be overwhelming but it's one night. Don't take away the joy for some who can't deal with it for one day. If people are careless they should be dealt with but I'm tired of being punished for the extreme (both ways careless or extreme negative). One day isn't going to hurt! 1/29/2015 9:15 AM
- 247 I feel imposing a ban would be taking away something that is an American tradition. Also, at a time in our lives when social capital, which contributes to people's present and future well being, is diminishing, it is vital to encourage the participation in activities that support togetherness and community. The 4th of July is the favorite holiday of one of my daughters, and we enjoy sitting in our home or driving around on the 4th and seeing and hearing all the fireworks going off around our neighborhood. 1/28/2015 10:15 PM
- 248 Our family really enjoys seeing all the fireworks and celebrating independence in this way. Our neighborhood is safe and have not had many problems. 1/28/2015 11:31 AM

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249	But it would be nice if they were only allowed like the 3 and 4th of July, not a week before and a week after,	1/27/2015 12:53 PM
250	I think they should be banned with the exception of New Years and the 4th. But banning them wont stop people from lighting them off all hours of the night.	1/27/2015 8:08 AM
251	Someone is always having fireworks go off. A party, a game, it's warm outside and the one that's most inconsiderate is days and days after the 4th fireworks are going off until 1 to 2 in the morning.	1/26/2015 8:34 PM
252	Fireworks are not just used on New Years or the Fourth of July, they are used all during the year and are very disruptive. They were used most recently to celebrate the winning of the football game. They are used throughout the night, and cause residence to loose sleep. The waste is not picked up, and litters the streets. Fireworks are a risk to others (persons and property) in the neighborhood, as they do not stay in the yard of the person who is setting them off. They are an unnecessary risk, they disturb the peace, and they create litter. Public fireworks displays can be controlled and monitored, and are safer and better for the public.	1/25/2015 3:26 AM
253	I can't be out looking at fireworks make me go in asthma . Fireworks can start fire. My dog need med when they go off.	1/24/2015 12:06 AM
254	Thats ridiculous.	1/23/2015 8:28 PM
255	It is beneficial for our economy and well being of our town. It brings families and friends together and is a tradition. Be more stern on the rules, but don't take it away from us.	1/23/2015 3:53 PM
256	Some times when they go off its at inappropriate times such as non holidays. They scare dogs and its a definite fact that more dogs run away during fireworks then not.	1/23/2015 9:44 AM
257	I feel the current rules on fireworks are adequate for our local community for a few reasons: 1) A complete ban on fireworks, to include the 4th of July and New Year's Eve will burden the town with a law that is very tempting to violate during those 2 times of the year. When fireworks are lit off on the 4th and NYE, our neighbors are typically outside with hearing and eye protection and water hoses on standby in the event that something goes awry. That is not to say that everyone in the community shares the same proactive approach to safety, but there are a large number of us who enjoy the fireworks tradition because it is fun for the family and the kids really get a kick out of it. 2) With the casino and Boom City so close by, I do not want our local police force out on patrol looking for violators of the new law. Would they cite everyone coming off of the reservation, even if they were to transport fireworks to another area in which it is not illegal, or would they specifically target Marysville residents? Either way, I would rather have our local police force looking for drunk drivers or other criminals that are looking to cause real harm. 3) I would not be opposed to a law prohibiting lighting off fireworks while under the influence of alcohol. However, I wouldn't want our local law enforcement prowling the neighborhood looking for violators. My tax dollars would be put to better use funding a police force finding real criminals as stated above. However, if a neighbor has a complaint about fireworks that can't be resolved amicably, local law enforcement could cite drunks for irresponsible use of alcohol by lighting off fireworks in an unsafe manner. 4) I have been the neighbor who had to work the morning after the 4th or NYE and was in bed trying to sleep while all of the neighborhood is lighting off fireworks. A little bit of compromise between neighbors can go a long way. However, fireworks are an expected byproduct during those times of the year and I've survived just fine with a little less sleep than I would have preferred but I understood that it comes with the territory on those 2 holidays. I strongly agree with the law as written. I would not be opposed to an addition to include the prohibition of alcohol use while lighting off fireworks as long as that law was only used against the most egregious offenders. Marysville is a proud American town that is proud to celebrate the birth of our country and the beginning of each New Year. It's two days a year, we'll be fine. God Bless America! David Sweeney Marysville	1/22/2015 8:55 PM
258	No ban!	1/22/2015 8:19 PM
259	Fireworks are unnecessarily loud, dangerous and leave behind such a mess on the streets. They should be for a public display only.	1/22/2015 1:11 PM
260	Fireworks are a hazard!!! They are dangerous, they cause fires, scare animals, hurt people and cause large messes. NOTHING good comes from fireworks. A city fireworks display would be a nice alternative. PLEASE BAN FIREWORKS!!!!	1/22/2015 8:39 AM
261	Too much noise, dangerous!!!	1/21/2015 3:11 PM
262	fireworks are devastating to our dogs!!!!	1/21/2015 8:46 AM
263	I have lived in different cities around the USA and it's so great to live in a place where fireworks are legal. My family and I thoroughly enjoy the citywide fireworks display each Fourth of July, and invite friends from cities where fireworks aren't allowed, to come and enjoy them, withus. M/ family/ and I implore you to please continue to keep fireworks legal in Marysville! We love them!	1/20/2015 8:35 PM

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264	One of the biggest reasons fireworks have been banned in other cities is because of a handful of people go crazy with them. Some continue setting them off past the 11:00 PM limit, up to 4:00 AM on July 4 and houses have been set on fire from irresponsible people with illegal fireworks. Despite these serious reasons that it should be banned, a lot of families would be very disappointed if it was, considering that the majority of them do not abuse this privilege and would not be able to celebrate in this way on July 4 or New Year's Eve. Their freedom of expression would be denied by a very small minority of irresponsible individuals, and that is not right. I agree something has to be done about the abuse of fireworks, but punishing the innocent for the crimes of the guilty is wrong.	1/20/2015 5:48 PM
265	There is not a way to in force a ban like this. If the City can not enforce the already standing law of only discharging fire works on the 4th of July I do not think that they will be able to handle a city wide ban.	1/20/2015 3:35 PM
266	We have 2 dogs and I have to sedate tem to the point that they are unable to even walk, put that together with he fact that neither my wife and I get any sleep and have to work most days it is a horrible time. In our neighborhood the fire works begin about a week before the 4th,but they are very clever in that it's just a few and then it is over for the night it also continues past the 4th until they run out.	1/20/2015 10:34 AM
267	I don't mind the smaller quieter pretty sparkly ones that can be enjoyed by neighborhoods, but the BIG BOOMING EXPLODING ones affect so many animals and family pets in a very negative way - anxiety and running away. I also have been bothered over the last 23 years of living in Marysville by the early start and late end of fireworks, days before and after the 4th of July and New Years; also the length of time during the day they are set off - sometimes til 2am - not good for small children and others trying to sleep.	1/20/2015 10:32 AM
268	Every year we watch news of another person being severely injured by fireworks. Our emergency responders have the job of picking up the pieces, not to mention what family members go through. The more jurisdictions that ban these, the better off we are. Professional, locally sanctioned fireworks displays are the way to go. Safety first. Let's save lives and remove temptation.	1/20/2015 10:30 AM
269	Fireworks are a celebration activity. Without them it won't seem like the Fourth of July!	1/20/2015 9:08 AM
270	More government will not save the world. Leave us alone.	1/20/2015 6:42 AM
271	I moved to Marysville in October of 2013. New Year's Eve was very hard on my dog and cat. But the worst was yet to come. The 4th of July was hard them and me too! What a racket. I thought my dog would have a heart attack. I spent several hours out driving her around trying to get away from the noise (to no avail). Tranquilizers helped a lot for her this past New Year's Eve, but I'm still dreading the 4th. It's horrible. I've never experienced anything like it!	1/19/2015 4:23 PM
272	Several years ago my neighbor's roof caught fire on July 4. I shouldn't have to pick up my neighbor's litter on my property. I have to work on July 5. Whoever wants to discharge fireworks can and should do so on the vendor's property.	1/19/2015 2:54 PM
273	One of my favorite things to do here on the Fourth of July is to go up on the hill and watch the fireworks. It's a tradition I've done since I was a kid. If the fireworks were banned I wouldn't want to live here anymore and I might consider moving.	1/19/2015 2:39 PM
274	We invite family to come visit us during July because the fireworks are so wonderful. It's something that we are proud of, how enthusiastic our city gets for July 4th.	1/19/2015 2:27 PM
275	We need to focus our efforts on drugs, theft and other more important issues. The crime he is getting out of controll. I have lived Marysville for a long time and I can't believe how it has changed. I am considering moving because of it.	1/19/2015 1:13 PM
276	No..it won't stop the illegal anyway and take too much of our law enforcement..I would like to see more enforcement of current laws	1/19/2015 12:02 PM
277	I have lived in a moderate number of different cities and Marysville has been a favorite. A major reason is because of the amazing celebration with fireworks at the new year and independence day that is worthy of legend. Losing that would categorize Marysville as one of thousands of small no-name cities in this nation. Fireworks are one of Marysville's defining traditions.	1/19/2015 11:30 AM
278	Don't ban fireworks. They help make Marysville unique.	1/19/2015 11:20 AM
279	We love our fire works!!!!	1/19/2015 11:19 AM

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280	Why? If is done safely, it is a wonderful way to celebrate our community, holiday like the 4th of July, with neighbors, friends, and family. My kids love it, I love it. I have lived in FL, PR, CA, UT, MO, and six years in Marysville. from all those places Marysville is my favorite and when the 4th of July comes around I can't stop talking about the amazing fireworks in my boom city with all my friend and family from out of town. Btw, fireworks are a great way to bring outsiders/tourist to the city. If you banned the fireworks, we may start looking for other places where my family can have fun outside of your city limits.	1/19/2015 11:18 AM
281	I love sharing the tradition of lighting off fireworks with roar in my neighborhood and have been doing so for the last 6 years. If fireworks are banned we would have to travel somewhere to enjoy fireworks and being out on the road is not something we want to do. Please don't take this tradition away from the people of Marysville	1/19/2015 11:05 AM
282	Fireworks on the fourth of July is an American tradition. I'm fine with imposing time and date restrictions. But let America be America!	1/19/2015 11:04 AM
283	I love being in the city and having friends and family come up for the fourth which of course means all that extra fourth food and other ite,s all purchased in our city.	1/19/2015 10:38 AM
284	I am in favor of stricter limits on when and on cleanup but the freedom to celebrate and shoot fireworks should not be taken away.	1/19/2015 7:28 AM
285	I dont mind the quiet fireworks. What I do mind is the neighborhood thinking 3am is an appropriate time to blow off m80's. I have a full time job and a young baby at home. I'd appreciate not being up every 20 minutes because the obnoxious neighbors don't have common sense. Moderation is more appropriate than an all out ban. Make the disruptive fireworks the issue.	1/19/2015 4:54 AM
286	I have a hard time believing this is even being considered. Marysville is so amazingly special on the fourth. Sitting on the hill is an amazing experience, and family and friends from else where come specifically to experience the magic. It brings us, somehow, a joy for our free country that i don't feel as immensely at any other time of year. Please don't take this away from us Marysville citizens!!!	1/18/2015 8:25 PM
287	Being in Marysville for the fourth of July is something we encourage all our relatives to experience. It is an incredible night. Please don't take all that fun away.	1/18/2015 8:25 PM
288	I think their should be a time frame for fireworks on the fourth and new yrs eve. Some people are elderly in the area where i live and most do not care for all the noise. Also,im sure that a few war veterans in the area relive some bad experiences with all the rockets and missles and booms and bangs. The fireworks sold on the reservation are not all legal and are dangerous for children to be handling.	1/18/2015 7:36 PM
289	as long as the fire level threat isn't high, let them have fun.	1/18/2015 6:16 PM
290	The amount of time and energy put into our firework festivities is unifying in a sense. It's part of who we are in Marysville. Accidents happen due to misuse. Let's not limit our sense of pride and living because we fear injury or offense. That would be a boring life. I take pride in marysville and our festivities	1/18/2015 6:14 PM
291	We don't set off fireworks ourselves, but enjoy the festive atmosphere of the city. Perhaps the city could publish more education on the safe and responsible use of fireworks. I don't hear of any real issues with injury or property damage.	1/18/2015 6:06 PM
292	Don't take away traditions from a city that has been through so much in the last year. Let the citizens keep their freedom to celebrate responsibly. Encourage neighborhood monitoring and youth education about the hazards instead. Kids will take those lessons they have learned home to the adults who buy the fireworks.	1/18/2015 6:05 PM
293	We have lived in the city of Marysville for 20 years and love being able to celebrate with fireworks every year.	1/18/2015 6:01 PM

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- 294 Fireworks are already illegal, except for July 4 and December 31. That there is an ongoing discussion is amazing. The city should either enforce this law, as well as all others on its books, or repeal it. By tacitly encouraging fireworks through lack of enforcement, the City of Marysville is providing a very significant lesson to residents, and especially children: i.e., you may choose to comply with laws as you choose. Vancouver, WA, recently imposed a \$250 fine for ["legal"] fireworks use other than on July 4 from 9AM until Midnight, and a \$500 fine for illegal fireworks. My neighbors tell me they have a "right" to set off fireworks any time they wish. If a "right" is defined as an activity (or belief, etc.) that is protected by law, my right to not having fireworks set off within the city limits are violated each time Marysville law enforcement looks the other way and "avoids confrontation." This is a major issue for veterans (and other) who suffer from PTSD, and by animals who are terrified by fireworks. In the North County Outlook, Jeffrey Vaughan argued that proximity to illegal fireworks on the Tulalip Reservation "creates challenges for us." By logical extension, if illegal drugs or weapons (e.g. machine guns) are available, that provides the City Council with justification for tolerating drug use and the use of illegal weapons. My simple input is, if the City Council wishes to bring the law into coincidence with the reality of peoples' behavior, repeal the law and all other "inconvenient" laws. Otherwise, adopt the technology required for enforcement (e.g., <http://science.howstuffworks.com/shotspotter.htm>), respond, and impose fines. 1/18/2015 5:52 PM
- 295 Yes, there is a risk with fireworks, but we lose a great part of our culture if we ban fireworks. They help us enjoy unifying moments with family and friends. 1/18/2015 4:59 PM
- 296 This is the best thing about Marysville 1/18/2015 4:58 PM
- 297 Best free show ever!! 1/18/2015 4:20 PM
- 298 Fireworks have long been one of the ways that citizens of this nation have celebrated the founding of this great nation. Our family has lived in Marysville for over 20 years and fireworks on the 4th have become an integral part of our family tradition. We understand that there are some who don't enjoy them and that a few citizens are irresponsible with their use, however, to outright ban fireworks use at least on the Fourth seems an over reaction. 1/18/2015 4:02 PM
- 299 We love having the fireworks going off all year round for different reasons. I don't know what the stats are for fires, injuries or property damage in our area as a direct result of fireworks but I know in the 30 years we have lived here and the surrounding areas though we have seen accidents nothing has been serious or damaging and it is one of the reasons when we finally bought a house we chose Marysville. Nothing like 4th of July in Marysville (or New Years or Hawks Games or ???). It really is a great element to living here. 1/18/2015 3:25 PM
- 300 Absolutely not !!!! Fireworks are a big reminder of the freedom that we share. Our song of independence states "the rockets red glare gave proof through the night that our flag was still there." I fully believe that we should keep fireworks. 1/18/2015 3:10 PM
- 301 Let us face this question honestly; we are not talking about fireworks, we are talking about bombs. Things like firecrackers have been replaced by (what used to be called) cherry bombs which have been replaced by quarter sticks of dynamite and other large explosive devices. In addition, we are not debating that which occurs on the 4th of July but the weeks before it when Boom City opens for business and the week or so after till the city finally runs out ammo. This is also a discussion concerning the invisible clause in my mortgage that stated I would forfeit three weeks sleep during the course of the year as a consequence of moving to this town. As a result of this "tradition" my family and I have taken to leaving Marysville during the climax of this "patriotic" phenomenon and staying in other towns and cities in order to avoid that last few days of "family" fun. And here's the thing, those other cities, towns and resorts; they have fireworks displays. Not bombs, not simulated "welcome to the middle east" war games but actual public fireworks shows using actual fireworks. They have a shows that lasts an hour or so and are done. It's usually quite nice and a genuine chance for families and community to gather and enjoy. It doesn't disrupt the lives of whole neighborhoods and usually doesn't do any damage. The toleration of "fireworks" in this town diminishes the quality of life for a great many. I am not stating anything here is that isn't already generally know and acknowledged (and not just by residents but others who live in nearby communities, we have a reputation) and the fact that there is even a "debate" concerning this issue is deeply troubling. You can't solve a problem until you first acknowledge it. How long will that take us? And what does it say about our town that it has already taken this long? 1/18/2015 12:28 PM
- 302 The terrible effect of fireworks on animals is enough reason alone for tne ban. 1/16/2015 3:22 PM
- 303 I have spent two 4th of July holiday's in town near the police station. The fireworks have started just before darkness and continued until 3:00 AM. The air quality and constant war-like noise is a major drawback from living in town. We have Boom City a short distance away with a large area to ignite fireworks away from residential areas. I am sure the vendors would not mind more people for their booths. I hope the city is serious about banning fireworks. 1/16/2015 2:05 PM

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304	I believe if the committee lived in our area and had the kind of war zone that last all day they would ban fireworks. It all comes down to satisfying the Tulalip Tribe so they can control the city of Marysville with their money. Why doesn't the committee mail every one a mailing for their input or vote. Not everyone reads the North Outlook paper or has the time. Why does the citizens of Marysville have to live by Tulalip rules. If you ask the ones in favor of fireworks, they couldn't even tell you why we celebrate that day except it's a day for drinking, Other cities that have a ban have no problems.	1/16/2015 10:02 AM
305	There are many fireworks shows citizens can attend. Banning fireworks within city limits will have many positive benefits.	1/16/2015 5:45 AM
306	Fireworks are a biannual annoyance during July 4th and New Year's Eve. It wouldn't be so bad if responsible people using fireworks stuck with the legal kind or used them during the legal time slots but we all know we're fooling ourselves to think they will. Every year the big booms start at the end of June and run days past the 4th. New Year's Eve isn't as bad. The police won't respond to complaints and on the rare occasion they do show up, they claim they can only cite people when they see them in the act. If I have video of the under aged kids down the street blowing off rockets wouldn't that suffice as evidence? Please ban these noisy nuisances or enforce the ban during off hours with fines to the offenders. No more warnings for violations. As it is, I don't understand how anyone stands to stay in the Tulalip Hotel with all the noise coming from the reservation. Thank you. P.S. the police do a great job they are just spread thin for fireworks enforcement. Perhaps the department can deputize trained citizens to help with enforcement. Bicycle patrols would be a great idea. I would volunteer.	1/15/2015 6:46 PM
307	People set them off at all hours Large blasts rattle walls and scare dogs who bark at all hours., 365 days out of the year They don't clean up the mess made They are unsafe, have seen very small children using adult fireworks They DO damage to property and cars/trucks parked along the street. I have had to detail my hood and roof every year, no matter where I park on the street I live on. Small burns also in yard and roof of home.	1/15/2015 6:02 PM
308	Hello, My name is Mike Uptegraft -I'm a 10 year resident of Marysville. For nine 4th of July and New Years observances I have endured the incessant, over use and miss use of fireworks of all classes in this town by seemingly anyone and everyone. For 10 days and nights before Independence Day fireworks use increases daily to a point where the sound of explosions are an all day until early morning annoyance. The New Years holiday is much the same experience except the span of time Marysville's wonderful fireworks regulations are ignored with impunity is of shorter duration. Incredulously, I ask why would Marysville Officials even consider a fireworks ban when there is little or no demonstrated will to enforcement of current city fireworks regulations? It's apparent to anyone living in this town who has a calendar, a clock, ears and eyes that few offenders fear the regs or make the slightest effort to obey them. No enforcement of laws breeds contempt and flagrant violation those laws. Many have figured out by experience, unless someone complains they don't have to fear the presence of the long arm of the law. They further reason that if my neighbors do complain my chances of being cited are null to nothing because they have to catch me in the act and so many others are doing likewise it will never happen. In my opinion, if enforced, the limitations of the current rules are reasonably adequate because they allow people to celebrate with fireworks; just not to ridiculous excess that is currently a well established habit and self-centered custom for many. Regulations, rules, codes, etc. are just so much toilet paper unless there are demonstrated consequences for ignoring them. I believe this is precisely why the fireworks use situation has been worsening for years here in Marysville. Marysville officials need to grow a backbone and get out of their "look the other way; we'll only use the code if we have to" mode. They should stop winning and making excuses such as "the challenge our proximity to Tulalip" causes, get out and confront offenders that are everywhere. Many people are fed up with the yearly firework insanity that is perpetuated here due to non-enforcement. As I do, they believe the unstated policy is that it is easier to ignore fireworks lawlessness than do anything punitive. Basic knowledge of human behavior teaches if examples of a few law breakers were made by throwing the book at them then illegal use of fireworks would diminish. Otherwise, why have a survey about a fireworks ban at all if the will to make the current regulations compulsory is not present. Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr. the late U.S. Supreme Court Justice once said: "The right to swing my fist ends where the other man's nose begins." Adapting his quote to fit my line of reason regarding the wisdom of a fireworks ban I would say, " One person's rights end where another's begin.	1/15/2015 6:01 PM
309	Fireworks are dangerous, had a house in my neighborhood that caught on fire. With How close builders get to put houses, one House on fire can be a real problem. Also, they are very loud, they scare our poor pets! And people do not follow the Rule/the law! Every year I hear fireworks Each night from mid June- 2nd week of July Very annoying! And against the law! Please, please ban fireworks I'm Marysville Please help our safety & Sanity! Thank you	1/15/2015 4:46 PM
310	No the current laws are sufficient	1/15/2015 4:46 PM
311	Living in Parkview Estates near the YMCA where there are greater than 200 houses, many with cedar roofs, I am fearful during the time around Independence Day. Citizens are using illegal fireworks in a dangerous way, while consuming alcohol, even those who are minors. This past year, a tree was in full flames due to this sort of behavior.	1/15/2015 4:44 PM

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312	Fireworks terrorize my dog	1/15/2015 3:40 PM
313	I have experienced every 4th of July, since moving here in 2003, fireworks being shot off near my neighborhood until 1:00 to 1:30 am. I am fed up with the uncaring attitude of those who do this. My dog had to medicated all day long to withstand the onslaught of the terrifying ordeal. Also, I am unable to sleep because of it; when I was working this was especially annoying. I am very sympathetic to those who suffer with PTSD because I feel shell-shocked myself after the constant barrage of noise all night long and in such close proximity. Also, these people fire off the bottle rockets (I find the debris in my yard and on the street) and the very loud percussion ones, which I'm sure are illegal. I have enjoyed controlled fireworks displays at different venues in other cities over the years and found it to be sufficient for the holiday celebration. The 4th of July in Marysville is horrific!	1/15/2015 3:23 PM
314	I have never purchased anything from Boom City, nor do I plan to. But, it seems to me that what appears to be the almost total lack of enforcement of current laws about type of permitted fireworks and times of use is a fair predictor of the enforcement of a total ban. Charitable groups would lose a source of income, people would purchase elsewhere, and nothing would change as far as use is concerned. I believe that any time a law is passed that can not be properly enforced it encourages people to disregard other laws. The City should first prove that it can enforce present rules before passing more. In addition, while I do not purchase or set off fireworks myself, my wife and I enjoy siting in lawn chairs in our front yard and watching the thousands of dollars of fireworks being displayed for our benefit by our neighbors.	1/15/2015 2:04 PM
315	The shooting off of Fireworks, so the Tribe can make some money, is not worth the loss of sleep I endure over the Forth of July and New Years Eve...	1/15/2015 1:59 PM
316	I talked to a mother of a returned vet who has Post traumatic stress. It was horrible for him. As a senior citizen I get no sleep. I have had fireworks on my roof which is a fire hazard. It would be safer if one field was set up where fireworks could be set off. My dogs are given meds to survive it. Here in Sunnyside area it goes on way after midnight. I have lived here 32 years and every year the noise increases.	1/14/2015 5:51 PM
317	I love fireworks as much as the next person, but I only love them when they are in the hands of professionals. I fear for my home and my neighbors homes safety every year, I have many neighbors that are irresponsible when handling fireworks and our yard is covered with debris that I have to clean up. And it goes on beyond the hours allowed and I have NEVER seen any patrol cars going around to enforce the laws. Also, my dogs freak out over the noise and I have to give them sedatives, which I would rather not have to do and I really do not like the noise either. One last thing, we do live in a community were there are a lot of active and retired military personnel and I strongly believe that those who suffer from PTSD is very much affected by the noise. If only people had some common courtesy for others it would be nice, but these days it seems like people only care about themselves. I realize for some organizations it is a fund raiser but there are other ways to raise funds that don't harm or cause distress to others. Thank you	1/14/2015 5:32 PM
318	Eliminate fireworks in the City of Marysville. Every year our street is littered with fireworks debris and there is little effort from those you shoot them off to clean up the mess. Every year I have debris on the roof of the house and in the rain gutters. Last year a neighbors "floating parachute" landed on the roof of my back deck and melted through the fiberglass paneling . This was a costly repair I had to make because the neighbor said " you can't prove this was caused by me". I appreciate what this holiday stands for, however I am of the opinion that if "fireworks" are your way of celebrating fine, go to a public viewing where the fireworks are controlled and monitored by responsible organizations.	1/14/2015 2:35 PM
319	The noise in the weeks around the 4th of July are just terrible. Please, please give us a break!	1/14/2015 1:52 PM
320	Restrictions and education are fine.	1/14/2015 12:41 PM
321	To be realistic however, I feel fireworks should/could be allowed all day long on the 4th of July ONLY. It is traditional and something to pass from generation to generation as a tribute to our nation and our national anthem. That being said, again, strict adherence to JUST the 4th should be observed through out the city. It would be nice to be able to convince our neighbors on the reservation to control their explosions to end by around 10 pm on ANY night around the 4th. Having extremely loud fireworks exploding through out the day and nightly until 11-12 pm for up to 3 weeks prior and a couple after the 4th is extremely rude and non caring for the entire surrounding population which includes animals as well as people.	1/13/2015 9:26 PM
322	Hello, my family has always celebrated it. And with my father being retired military. I think it should be the people's responsibility to insure the safety of them selves and others. Thanks Keith.	1/13/2015 4:50 PM
323	This community loves fireworks obviously. Why else would so many people shoot them off? Police and fire can handle problems that get out of hand and enforce the laws already on the books. They can handle the few idiots. Why spoil it for everyone?	1/13/2015 11:55 AM
324	Too many people do not clean up afterwards and the streets are littered for days (or weeks).	1/13/2015 9:47 AM

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325	Fireworks will be set off in the area based on the fact that we are so close to the Tulalip Tribe. So if they are banned, I doubt it would prevent people from still setting them off at their homes. That being said, what frustrates me more as a citizen of this city is that people tend to set them off "outside" of the legal guidelines. Like on Seahawk game days, July 1st, etc. Basically at times that fireworks are unexpected. I would like to see the penalties for setting off fireworks on unapproved days increased and enforcement strengthened, rather than a city wide ban. Thank you for considering my opinion.	1/13/2015 8:29 AM
326	There are just too many braking the law and not enough officers to enforce the law to keep this holiday safe and fun for ALL citizens. Thanks for taking this poll.	1/11/2015 3:13 AM
327	for safety and serenity.	1/11/2015 3:05 AM
328	just fine those who do not clean up their debris from spent fireworks.	1/10/2015 3:17 PM
329	Fireworks are legal to shoot 2 days a year, 4th of July and new years. That is only 2 days where it's legal, 2 days out of 365. In a nation where laws, regulations and ordinances are becoming more numerous, to enforce an ordinance limiting how people are able to celebrate is another way for a form of government telling us how to live our lives. Not only do we get regulation from federal and state government on the activities we can't do but adding a city ordinance telling us how we can't celebrate a holiday of freedom is absurd. My question is who is pushing this ordinance, who is benefiting from it? Who in this city is on the power trip off being able to tell the people there is something else they can't do because they don't like it. What you will loose is income from visitors that travel to Marysville for the celebration. Not many people will see the link to this survey and the ones most likely to respond will be the ones most likely to support the ban. The best way would be to get out in the community and talk to the people, not by a small section I'm a little local property that no one reads. Who is pushing this ordinance and what do they stand to benefit?	1/10/2015 3:05 PM
330	We love fireworks and are very safe using them and we only use them on the 4th	1/10/2015 9:59 AM
331	Yes it's obnoxious to hear for days on end. People have no respect for the hours/days. My dog goes crazy and my kids can't sleep. It leaves a mess of the city.	1/9/2015 9:57 PM
332	I am tired of the mess left behind after fireworks are shot off. They are shot off for weeks around the 4th of July. I couldn't leave my house on the 4th for fear it would be burnt down by the ridiculous barrage of fireworks in my community. The fireworks were illegal for the most part. Legal fireworks would not have been deafening and caused the entire house to shake. I am over it. Ban them now!	1/9/2015 6:53 PM
333	I think fireworks on the 4th of July and New Years is part of the celebration ..	1/9/2015 9:46 AM
334	Enforcing a such ban goes against the freedom we are celebrating	1/8/2015 10:29 PM
335	I like to see the fireworks.	1/8/2015 3:12 PM
336	Fireworks should be banned inside city limits. Most people do not know how to safely use them.	1/7/2015 7:15 PM
337	As a landlord, homeowner and as a mother I very much encourage a ban on fireworks. They are very dangerous both for those lighting them and for those who may be in the vicinity. It also seems that people have a difficult time containing their firework usage to the one day a year as fireworks are constantly going off the whole month of July and well in to the rest of the summer. Explosives are dangerous enough alone - as they are fairly unregulated and shipped in from divers places, but most of those using said explosives are combining the experience with heavy alcohol / marijuana intake. Alcohol is proven to inhibit decision making and reaction times thus exacerbating the chances of serious accidents with residential / recreational firework usage. Thank you for considering this ban.	1/7/2015 5:53 PM
338	I would welcome a ban if it is possible to be enforced. If not, there is no use having another law on the books. It's illegal to set off fireworks in our city parks, but there is no enforcement. The parks dept. just goes out and cleans up the mess on the following day. I still think it would solve the city parks problem to station a police officer in each city park on the holiday. Wouldn't that keep the fireworks out of the city parks, save on clean-up and enforce the law? What is the downside? Thanks for the opportunity to comment. Cheryl Bratcher	1/7/2015 5:48 PM
339	Please stop the unnecessary noise pollution my family and four legged friends have to endure each year	1/6/2015 10:44 PM
340	Please do not put a ban on fireworks. That is going WAY overboard. I have a 13 yo son with autism and he can't handle the sound of fireworks but I asked him if Marysville should ban them and he said, "No mom. People like them."	1/6/2015 7:52 PM
341	We have 2 senior adults at our home and would appreciate the ban to keep our streets clear of fireworks debris and eliminate the illegal, noisy reports.	1/6/2015 4:54 PM

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342	My dog has seizures during fireworks. I've contemplated moving out of Marysville because the fireworks are absolutely out of hand and ridiculous.	1/6/2015 4:26 PM
343	the amount of hours and dates should be limited in my oppinion.	1/6/2015 3:00 PM
344	It's like a friggin war zone in the Marysville area. Please for the sake of cleaner air quality as well as noise reduction, ban the use or sale of all fireworks.	1/6/2015 11:11 AM
345	I feel like most of the city likes the fireworks, but most don't know about this motion to ban fireworks.	1/5/2015 7:54 PM
346	I am tired of the mess left in my yard and on the streets from people shooting them off and not giving a hoot about how it impacts others. Not to mention that the police need to take the illegal fireworks more serious as well. I have called on several occasions when the large bomb type were being used and they did nothing.	1/5/2015 6:38 AM
347	It is tradition for nearly every family I know to light off fireworks on both 4th of July, and New Year's eve! Banning fireworks would take away that sense of family and fun that this town still has!	1/5/2015 6:21 AM
348	I would support the ban if the city had a fireworks show.	1/4/2015 7:55 PM
349	Absolutely, it is only getting worse. Not only the obnoxious noise is disrupting but it is a fire danger. Police don't have the time to monitor.	1/4/2015 7:22 PM
350	I've seen three fires started with fireworks. I've seen kids disassemble mortars and blow the projectiles up in the middle of a busy street. And, I wait for the house or a neighbor's house to burn. Ban them, ban them, ban them.	1/4/2015 6:32 PM
351	Unfortunately I have to work early July 5th and Jan 1st. I hate being up all night due to fireworks. I know a ban won't eliminate the problem, but the noise and the garbage left in the street is ridiculous! Especially in NE Marysville by 100th and 67th.	1/4/2015 4:05 PM
352	Responsible fireworks participants should Never have to take responsibility or receive consequences of irresponsible fireworks participants. Please Do Not rob our children and future children of the fun of celebrating Independence Day past generations we able to because of irresponsible people.	1/4/2015 11:32 AM
353	I think if parents pay attention to what kids are doing and if even the parents are careful there should be no accidents with firework. I moved here 5 years ago and love to be able to do fireworks with my kids and I am careful and they are done in a way that no harm can come to people or things	1/3/2015 8:45 PM
354	People tend to extend celebrations well beyond the current limits making getting sufficient rest for work difficult to impossible	1/3/2015 11:58 AM
355	We love the fireworks! We are on the hill east of Cedarcrest Golf Course and can see the whole city come alive with fireworks. In 12 years here, we have never seen a fireworks accident.	1/2/2015 5:18 PM
356	Sick of um!..unlike our local homeless..I WORK!	1/1/2015 7:20 PM
357	A ban would be very difficult to enforce. For the inconvenience of noise a night or two a year it is an all to important reminder of what our fore fathers went through. So much of the world does not enjoy the freedom that we do; always living in fear of being terminated at any given time. Should the noise that a few excited people make take us away from a time when freedom and fear were so closely intertwined? Banning fireworks will not stop fireworks, it just doesn't work. Marysville prides itself on being family friendly, as such I can think that there must be a better solution than a ban that doesn't allow families to enjoy an activity with themselves and their neighbors.	1/1/2015 3:46 PM
358	fireworks are an important American tradition surrounding the holidays	1/1/2015 3:33 PM
359	The fireworks are a tradition here that should be honored, it only occurs a few times a year.	1/1/2015 10:45 AM
360	nobody in my neighborhood abides by the time limit on the 4th of July for discharging fireworks and it does not seem to be enforced either, I live on 62nd DR NE and 100th	1/1/2015 9:53 AM
361	It's really like living in a war zone! ,a	12/31/2014 8:11 PM
362	So long as the ban is tightly worded enough that fire crackers (e.g. sparklers, roman candles, low yield fountains and bottle rockets, etc.) are not prohibited (or are permitted at particular times, especially the 4th and New Years).	12/31/2014 7:35 PM
363	there should be no reason to put a ban on fireworks only people who are out of control with no respect of others. That should be an issue. I feel that people should be able to light off fireworks before the 4th of July as long as its not past nine or 10 o'clock at night cuz some of us do work.	12/31/2014 3:31 PM
364	There are few celebrations to celebrate our great county and to ban family firework displays is just plain un-American and puts us one step closer to a dictatorship.	12/31/2014 10:09 AM

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365	I like not having to fight the traffic to go sre a few minutes of fireworks. Much better to do it at home.	12/31/2014 6:51 AM
366	No, because the Fourth of July brings people in the neighborhoods out for a time of common fun together.	12/30/2014 9:00 PM
367	The constant fireworks and explosions are bringing the quality of life in Marysville. It's bad enough we have to deal with the drug addicts and panhandlers. You can't even get a full nights sleep because of the fireworks weeks before the 4th and weeks after the 4th.	12/29/2014 6:03 PM
368	enjoy	12/29/2014 4:49 PM
369	to many people get them of the res and access is easy I think they don't think because its always late at night	12/29/2014 2:54 PM
370	I've only lived in Marysville a few years but my first 4th of July here was a nightmare. I couldn't believe the NOISE. It was like a war zone. And it went on for days and days. If possible I now spend the holiday somewhere else. I can imagine pet owners dread it, their poor animals must be terrified in this community with it's week-long BOOM-fest. I hate it!	12/29/2014 2:29 PM
371	I think the sale of fireworks in Marysville provides a huge amount of funds to the area. Through the tribe and through other local sales. The Boy Scouts and other youth groups benefit from selling 'safe and sane' fireworks to the community. Marysville still has numerous block parties on the 4th of July which bring the neighborhoods and communities together which in turn creates a safe neighborhood for children as they are known by all who live there. Neighbors who are known to each other tend to look out for their neighbors in the event criminals are in the area. During the New Year, the fireworks keep the 'party' at home which leads to less drunk people on the road. If people are using illegal fireworks in Marysville off the reservation, then arrest the people who are doing so. It is obvious who has the illegal items and who has the safe fireworks.	12/29/2014 11:39 AM
372	Fireworks cause a great deal of anxiety for people with very small children and pets, not to mention military personnel with PTSD.	12/29/2014 10:05 AM
373	Punish the law breakers rather than everyone.	12/29/2014 7:54 AM
374	They should only be permitted during 4th of July and new years.	12/28/2014 3:10 PM
375	I feel it should be treated like tabaco & alcoho, buyers must be 21+. And allowed to be lit a week before & after the holiday, banned all other times.	12/28/2014 11:49 AM
376	Unsafe, fire hazard, illegal off reservation.	12/26/2014 10:05 PM
377	If not an all out ban something needs to be done. Fireworks are out of control in Marysville	12/26/2014 6:46 PM
378	Division between east and west Marysville with I-5 as the border seems like a bad idea.	12/26/2014 2:25 PM
379	While we understand the joy of watching fireworks, they are a real inconvenience to those who have to work early, clean up all the debris, sand cost the city monies for police and fire. A annual fireworks display to bring everyone together is the spirit of the day. We are a nation not just selfish individuals.	12/26/2014 7:24 AM
380	I think the ban should be ENFORCED for 364 days a year, with fireworks only legal to be discharged on July 4. This is the only city I have lived in where my animals are terrorized by booms and earth shaking tremors year round; after every Seahawks win, on random days and nights, and even today, Christmas day. I do not live near the reservation, so was very surprised and disappointed throughout the first year that I lived in Marysville. I love seeing the fireworks on the 4th, and can predict that I'll need to make arrangements to keep pets safe and happy on this day, but year round is ridiculous. Even if a ban is not imposed, better enforcement of current law would be appreciated.	12/25/2014 9:02 PM
381	I have lived in Marysville for over 12 years and every year it gets worse. They start around mid June and last all through the summer. I live by the Walmart on Hwy 9, not near the reservation so this shouldn't be an issue for our family. It errorize:s our animals, wakes our kids up in the middle of the night, leaves debris in our yard, and leaves one feeling like they are under siege for most of the summer. All too often, people try to say it is for only a couple days, but the reality is that they continue for 8 to 10 weeks. There is someone in our neighborhood who will launch something almost every night around 1 am. Quite frankly, we are tired of hearing it.	12/25/2014 8:49 PM
382	There is already a ban on illegal indian fireworks and for regular ones after certain times. Maybe we can get the police to just enforce the laws we already have, instead of making new ones for them to ignore. Just like they are supposed to enforce businesses displaying the no smoking sign at their entrances and maybe only 5% of Marysville businesses do, and very few obey the rule that Marysville police are supposed to be citing them for. Although considering that the police dept. is violating 9.41.300 at their public entrance tells you pretty much how little they actually know about the law.	12/25/2014 8:30 PM

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383	Because people have no control over themselves & do not care if it is bothersome to neighbors or pets, I would like a ban on personal use of fireworks.	12/25/2014 8:15 PM
384	Experienced window shaking explosions. Saw a teen almost have a rocket explode in her face. Do not enjoy picking rocket parts off my roof, out of my garden, out of my driveway and yard. I know many people are responsible with fireworks. I also saw many children handling fireworks in a very dangerous way, and the teens were unsupervised.	12/25/2014 12:15 AM
385	It is getting out of control. We cannot leave our home with the woods around us in case of fire.	12/24/2014 9:04 PM
386	It is aparant by the use of the residents that most people in marysville enjoy firework. If fireworks are to be band in the city it should be by a vote of the people.	12/24/2014 8:26 PM
387	Fireworks are dangerous in many ways. Each year there are fires and damage to property, usually damage to property of people not participating in fireworks. There are also injuries to people as well. The use of fireworks affects more people than the people lighting them off. I do not participate but I have to clean up other peoples messes and I have to listen to the noise in my home and disturb my peace. It's not fair to the people who chose not to participate. Any other time of year I can call the police when my neighbor's have their music up too loud or there is a dog barking but for one week a year it is okay to sell and light off fireworks and disturb the peace. I know the City only allows that fireworks can only be discharged on the 4th but we all no that doesn't happen. If the City decides to continue with fireworks I think they should limit the times they can be sold, i.e.. the 3rd and the 4th ONLY. Allowing fireworks to be sold on June 28th is just too much of a temptation not to discharge them early. Leave fireworks to the professionals... I think the City could have a fireworks display on the 4th of July just like they do for Strawberry Festival.	12/23/2014 2:15 PM
388	It's one of the few things that differentiates this city from other parts of snohomish county. The ability to freely celebrate our country with your friends and neighbors.	12/23/2014 9:45 AM
389	We enjoy watching the neighborhood firework displays each year. It's a tradition for us. The only problem I have is people abusing the right to set them off, and doing until all hours of the morning, and the days after. May be fine those who abuse this? I just don't want to see them go completely.	12/22/2014 10:53 PM
390	Only on July 4th and New Years eve. All other times prohibited and fined. Have had problems in my neighborhood (near Pilchuck H.S.) with fireworks at 2am up to two after the 4th.	12/22/2014 7:40 PM
391	The fireworks have gotten Out of Control and are lit off into the early morning and days before and after as well. Residents who have children should not feel like they have to leave their home on the 4th of July	12/22/2014 4:17 PM
392	Why take away a tradition that we have enjoyed for years? My 7 year old son would be very disappointed.	12/22/2014 4:08 PM
393	I believe as an 8 year resident--that it should keep fireworks legal. Due to Marysville's proximity to the Tulalip reservation, and also considering the relationship that has been built throughout recent year's with Tribal leaders, I think banning fireworks would have a negative impact on the aforementioned relations. I suggest a middle of the road alternative whereby the city allows certain types of fireworks, and a ban on the ones that are the most dangerous. Another alternative would be to implement a permit system, that would allow people to have the freedom of celebrating with fireworks that would normally be considered illegal in the city. Using the permit system might be the best solution in my opinion, because it would provide an additional source of revenue for the city, as well as limit the amount of people that could legally celebrate with those types of fireworks, thereby, easing the stress on the fire department in being able to better manage the holiday.	12/22/2014 2:32 PM
394	The fireworks people blow off in some of the neighborhoods are probably illegal within city limits anyway. There are literally small bombs going off around my house starting right before the 4th and through the 5th of July. Fireworks have landed on my roof and hit my house (still lit) as well as having some very near misses of defective fireworks hitting family members. Probably better to have a ban in city limits or use one of the parks to have a fireworks display.	12/22/2014 11:42 AM
395	This is one of the perks of living in Marysville, don't take away one of the things that makes this a attractive place to live...	12/22/2014 9:01 AM
396	Restricting fireworks to a couple days a year would work but not completely.	12/21/2014 9:02 PM
397	Fireworks go on way beyond the legal dates and times	12/21/2014 5:57 PM
398	It is awful to live in Marysville and be kept awake all hours of the night. For WEEKS. Plus the fire dangers.	12/21/2014 4:42 PM

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399	YES!! PLEASE BAN fireworks. I've been a resident here for 10 yrs and I am furious over the fireworks here in Marysville. People are irresponsible and get carried away spending thousands of dollars. Over the past 10 years it has gotten worse every year in our neighborhood. 4 yrs ago our neighbors house 4 doors down caught in fire !!!! The entire top floor gone. Last year our other neighbors tree caught fire and burned to the ground and FD couldn't attend as they were too busy with more life threatening issues. Our daughters every year want to leave our neighborhood but fear we will lose our house to a firework fire. Every year at 4th of July I have to pack up their toys, blankets and personal belongings as they fear they will be destroyed. And every year we come home to property damage from fireworks !!! Holes burnt into our hot tub cover, awning with burn marks and hours of cleaning up other peoples mess not to mention our dog has eaten several of the firework left overs in our backyard. WE do NOT participate in fireworks only the horrible clean up after of our private yard, personal property and our neighborhood streets. Please BAN and make us safe from fire or injuries. Thank you	12/20/2014 2:32 PM
400	It's gotten out of control	12/19/2014 11:02 PM
401	Why punish the ones who are being responsible with there fireworks. July 4th is our celebration of independence day from Britain. It is unbelievable how things are being taken away continuously.	12/19/2014 10:40 PM
402	Fireworks have gotten completely out of hand the past few years. It's like a war zone. These are set off with little or no regard to property or the safety of others. Time for it to stop. We have not left our house in over 10 years during the July 4th week for fear of coming home and having our house set fire works. Every year we have to remove the remains of spent rockets off of our roof and yard.	12/19/2014 9:51 PM
403	We have live here 9 years. Last few we have been city of Marysville not rural county. It has gotten worse than ever. Sad when we cannot even enjoy the holiday having to water our house and stay vigilant all day and evening long,for days before and after.also have to tranquilize our animals to keep them calm. So very tired of not being able to leave and worrying that our house will burn down. Also the cleanup on our property year after year when we do not participate in the neighboring houses goings on. Never fails we get the worst of the mess.last year our neighbor across the street's front yard caught fire, was not their fault but snother neighbors family member. Our house almost went as well due to the winds. This is the only holiday well besides New Years, that we absolutely dread and fear for our very lives literally...it is a literal war zone around town evey damn year. Begging you to stop this insanity before something happens here. Thank you.	12/19/2014 8:14 PM
404	It is like living in a war zone. Citizens violate the hours they are allowed to discharge fireworks. They pollute the streets and yards and driveways with discarded fireworks remains and they don't bother to clean them up. Plus they pollute the air we breath with a giant cloud of smoke and fumes. It's disgusting.	12/19/2014 5:56 PM
405	The use of Fireworks is out of control in the city. A ban is a necessary level of control as I see it after four years of residence here. No evidence of Police Patrol in the neighborhoods around me to curb the EXTEME high level of currently illegal fireworks brings me to the side of using a ban.	12/19/2014 5:51 PM
406	I enjoy seeing a good firework show as much as anyone else. I however dread hearing the fireworks that are being set off into the early morning hours and being woke up by them at 1 or 2 in the morning. I have also had concerns about the smog that settles in on Marysville for a day or 2 after the 4th. I think there needs to be a place and time for people to enjoy fireworks. I lived in Canada for a while where fireworks were illegal. Some people would cross the border to buy fireworks but we didn't have the aftermath issues of garbage and smog due to thousands of people using fireworks. Perhaps regulating the types of fireworks available to the public rather than banning them completely would be a good avenue to explore. I'm not extreme in my opinion swinging one way verses the other. At the end of the day there will be someone that's unhappy about whatever decision is made. I however see greater benefit to banning them. It reduces people's access to fireworks hence less accidents. Our city would also be cleaner and healthier. I'm not sure what affect this decision would have on our police officers and whether it would make their jobs more difficult or not. I think that is something that should also be considered as this issue is addressed.	12/19/2014 10:46 AM
407	The use of illegal fireworks has increased dramatically. A ban would disallow all, making it clear there is zero tolerance. Too many veteran s or otherswith PTSD and pets, even families are affected in a negative manner. People should to to professional fireworks shows.	12/19/2014 10:15 AM
408	It's tradition and the holidays. Don't ruin it... ????	12/19/2014 9:57 AM
409	The pollution issue alone is worth the ban. Most of Snohomish County is choosing this path for many sound reasons.	12/19/2014 9:53 AM
410	The fireworks are a huge problem in our area, especially for those with pets and small children. I should not feel like I have to leave my house or tranquilize my animals on holidays allowing fireworks. If the rules were actually followed and fireworks were let off by homeowners only within the hours permitted , it would almost be acceptable. But the fact is that the fireworks go on for days and until 3am in some cases on the 4th of July.	12/19/2014 9:21 AM
411	We should still have the joy of fireworks my whole street comes out n does them together	12/19/2014 9:13 AM

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412	Fires, injuries and the use of extremely dangerous explosive materials is disrupting and dangerous.	12/19/2014 8:57 AM
413	I think that's such a stupid idea! Don't ruin all the fun for people. Nobody wants to go outside of their own city just to do fireworks and have fun!!!	12/19/2014 8:44 AM
414	I grew up with fireworks and it was fun as a family tradition. However, it has gotten insane lately with things being SO loud and going well past the deadline of when fireworks are supposed to stop. Also there are so many illegal, unsafe fireworks being used. It is not like what it was years ago when I was younger. And it is not that long ago, I am 29. I'm all for celebrating freedom, but because of many people are not following the rules and being respectful, it's probably time for a ban :-(12/19/2014 8:36 AM
415	It gets to be SO annoying that fireworks start in June and continue on well into July. I hear M 80's all the time. We have pets also and I would LOVE to see them banned. Good luck with that!	12/19/2014 8:33 AM
416	It's a waste of time. With Boom City 2-3 miles away, what good would it do? Law enforcement will be chasing explosions all over town. Typically no charges are filled, just confiscate the fireworks. They will just turn around and head back out to Boom City again. The legal ones that people sell as fundraisers, are not the problem. Why should they be punished for others selling illegal stuff.	12/19/2014 8:09 AM
417	The over month long noise is just too much ... and nightly booms of illegal fireworks is extremely disruptive. Please either completely end this ridiculousness or limit to the 4th ... and ENFORCE these rules!!!	12/19/2014 7:38 AM
418	It's always been a part of living here. I like having it a couple weeks a year.	12/19/2014 7:18 AM
419	It is celebration going on for years why take away our freedom . If u want put ban on them make for 11 pm shut down .. Family celebrate this children Luv it . I vote No	12/19/2014 6:57 AM
420	Living so close to the tribe make it's soooo crazy loud that there is no sleep till 1-2 am due to everyone that goes over there and buys then shoots them off till the weeeee hours of the morning !!	12/19/2014 6:02 AM
421	It scares the animals. People are reckless	12/19/2014 5:58 AM
422	The fire hazard is so bad, and the fact the the fireworks start a week or to before and go on for up to a month afterwards is crazy. My Yard and Culdesac look like a giant trash heap. When I lived in Spokane some communities in the surrounding areas (Deer Park for example) designated a park where people could go shoot off their fireworks there was a firetruck and paramedic unit there, just in case. It was fun and made sense.	12/19/2014 4:53 AM
423	Just let people live their lives.	12/19/2014 4:37 AM
424	They should enforce the laws they have now. Banning fireworks seems like punishing the majority for problems of a few.	12/19/2014 3:52 AM
425	Seems like a waste of time with tribal land next door....	12/19/2014 3:14 AM
426	While the fireworks are enjoyable one night a year, they are not set off that one night alone. It's multiple days and nights of restlessness, antsy animals and just the garbage that is everywhere! Granted the ban won't stop the discharge, but it helps.	12/19/2014 1:49 AM
427	Legal fireworks don't hurt anything impose stricter bans on stuff bought on tribal land then taken elsewhere	12/19/2014 12:39 AM
428	Can't breath while they are doing it!	12/19/2014 12:35 AM
429	Yes. I am so tired of picking up the garbage in my yard. My neighbor never helps to clean up. My did have to be drugged for hours. The neighborhood I live the fireworks start at dark and go till 12-1 in the morning.	12/19/2014 12:31 AM
430	The tulalip tribe donates way to much money to Marysville. The strawberry festival is put on by the tribe. The boys and girls club and I know there's more.	12/19/2014 12:22 AM
431	Its what makes Marysville, Marysville.	12/19/2014 12:21 AM
432	I for years did fireworks but until one 4th I noticed all the cars around me all covered up. No one but me seemed to enjoy them Also an older person was scared in the own home . That was the last time I did fireworks. Now I go and enjoy the professional shows	12/19/2014 12:10 AM
433	Fireworks can be a real issue when it comes to the public setting them off, because a lot of people can be impaired or not paying attention to what they're doing & it causes a lot of destruction. If a former military member had PTSD it can really bother them & make them have flashbacks of things they really don't want to remember. Personally I feel it should be left to the professionals who know what they're doing.	12/19/2014 12:10 AM

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434	NO BAN!!!! It is one day out of the year that we can enjoy!!! You will hurt Tulalip tribes but banning the . I've lived here all my life and I feel strongly about a allowing them July 4th! Just fine the people who light them off any day other than the fourth PLEASE!	12/19/2014 12:03 AM
435	We don't need more regulation in our lives! Please don't take away this American tradition!	12/18/2014 11:40 PM
436	Unfortunley the city has one of the largest selling firework in the state next to it, the Tulalip Reservation boom city. I'd find it almost impossible to stop the discharge of fireworks inside the city because of this. The city has laws that only allows citizens to discharge fireworks on the 4th and those who may not like it, besides making it illegal what can they do to compromise. The law use to allow discharge over a period of time and now it restricted to one day, that is called compromise... I can not see the police being able to have the time, resources, and more to stop this and frankly, are we as a city really going to ask the "police" to be the bad guys on this one... I say "no". Let's make the ones selling the fireworks do a better job on educating the citizens with the law. The city could also do a better job with the educational piece such as put large signs or reader boards up at the city limits with the law, emailing the citizens, messages on our utility bills, Facebook, social media, web page, ect.	12/18/2014 11:03 PM
437	It's like a war zone around here with so many illegal fireworks along with the legal ones. There does not seem to be enforcement as it is so a complete ban will be better and more enforceable.	12/18/2014 5:34 PM
438	Its part of the history and heritage of Marysville.	12/18/2014 5:03 PM
439	It's messy, noisy and looks like a war zone! It never happens on just the 4th. Drives my animals crazy thus making me crazy!	12/18/2014 4:21 PM
440	I know this will be impossible to enforce, but I still feel they should be banned. With the Tribe right next door this will be impossible to enforce and will cause possible unnecessary conflict between the Police and rowdy citizens. Both Independence Day and New Year's Eve are a noise issue and fire dangers are obvious to me, but not to all people.	12/18/2014 3:55 PM
441	It is twice a year, we have given up so much over the years, this is just another thing we give up..... leave it alone. If anything, change the hours. Limit it to December 31 - 11:30-12:30am and July 4th 7p,-11p,. The other key is the actual expectation of the police department to address violators of the fire works. They are busy enough dealing with other serious issues then having to police the neighbors and their use of bottle rockets for a few hours. I believe a little less regulating by the city and a little more common sense and play. It worked for me when I grew up, and I am still here despite fire works, riding in a car without a seat belt, eating raw cookie dough, drinking less then 8 glasses of water a day etc. Enough said.	12/18/2014 3:45 PM
442	In general I like the 4th of July and fireworks, but it has just gotten out of hand! The week leading up to and the week after the 4th are wrought with window rattling explosions! Not only does it shock me but it traumatized my dogs. This isn't even to mention what it must be doing to war vets or people with PTSD. It just isn't a healthy thing for our community. As we all know, money talks. So I would like to see high fines for those breaking the law. Thanks for pursuing this matter with a survey!	12/18/2014 3:42 PM
443	While I understand the nuisance concerns, it's the 4th of July for crying out loud and the celebration of our independence. Banning fireworks is un-American. Nobody's houses are burning down and kids aren't blowing their hands off. Suck it up for a night and celebrate 'Merica!!	12/18/2014 3:08 PM
444	I do think they should be banned. I liked doing fireworks myself but the amount of garbage, smoke, noise and damage to houses and cars afterwards is increasing every year. The increased power and sound these fireworks are capable of is another factor as well. I would have never thought I would vote to ban fireworks but its time has finally come	12/18/2014 2:57 PM
445	The fourth of July should be a day to celebrate our country's independence. Instead we a residents have to worry about our house burning down. Even if the City imposes a ban of fireworks they will still be around, but at least the residents will have some stress relief and not have to worry about houses burning down.	12/18/2014 2:55 PM
446	I don't agree with banning fireworks	12/18/2014 2:06 PM
447	Thirty plus years ago the effect of the fireworks on the community was much different just in the population numbers and the types of fireworks sold. The situation has now been out of control for years and years, and the impact on neighborhoods and families has gone from bad to worse. We see more and more injuries, disruption of people's peace and quite which we are all entitled to, and in many cases property damage as a result of fires related to fireworks, and trauma to family pets. In addition the costs in calls to the local Fire Departments, and Law Enforcement have surely been reflected in the records. A much better, safer, and more enjoyable way to celebrate the appropriate holidays is the professional displays that All can enjoy. Some nonprofits have stated that this is the way "they raise funds to support their cause", there Are other ways to have fund raising events that would be successful. I strongly urge the Fireworks Committee to recommend the ban on fireworks in Marysville, as it is long overdue. Thank You.	12/17/2014 3:22 PM

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448	I'm curious what is motivating this proposal. Have fireworks been a problem in the city? Or is this yet another knee-jerk reaction from over-reaching government trying to put restrictions on what citizens can do? Unless the city has hard evidence that fireworks have had negative consequences, they should continue to be permitted.	12/11/2014 8:57 PM
449	I do not want a ban on fireworks. This is one of the few times everyone in our neighborhood comes out and gathers together. It enhances our sense of community and enables us to get to know our neighbors better. We all join together and have a mini fireworks show after the BBQs and socializing. If the fireworks were banned, people would still have their BBQs but only with the friends they already know. There wouldn't be the opportunity for several groups to get together that normally would not.	12/11/2014 8:53 AM
450	The use of fireworks in Marysville has gotten out of hand in recent years. Not only has it become a real nuisance, but very dangerous at times. A rocket hit my tile roof so hard that it broke three tiles. The rocket was still on the roof. No one even came to tell me about it. It is time to shut it down.	12/9/2014 6:27 PM
451	Fireworks cause disturbance to people and animals. Fireworks disturb people who are ill and not feeling well. Most pets have to be medicated to calm them. We have a papillon and a yorkie, and we have to medicate them during ALL fireworks holidays. Moreover, we have to deal with picking up the mess they've made. A few people are responsible, but not many. I feel that the benefits to the community do not exceed the negatives to the community.	12/8/2014 10:20 AM
452	I dread the 4th of July here every year. Too loud, too many illegal fireworks. Wakes everyone up all night long. People leave trash everywhere and plants, vehicles are damaged. Scares animals. Scares my kids. This is one of the reasons we want to move from Marysville.	12/7/2014 8:50 PM
453	I am tired of the 3 weeks before and 3 weeks after the 4th with bombs going off all night. I have to pay to board my dog at least the week of the 4th. We are thinking of moving to avoid this yearly issue. I have witnessed 3 neighbors houses catching on fire as well as several vehicles and landscaping being damaged every year in our neighborhood. The mess left behind is terrible as well.	12/6/2014 12:40 PM
454	My husband and I have lived at the Beach Ave and Short Street intersection for 26 years. By the time the 4th of July rolls around again it will be the 27th day of HELL! The pollution is so thick you can't find clean air to breath after 10 pm. It goes on past 1am. Your ears ring for hours after it stops and my house is full of the stench. These last 10yrs have gotten un-tolerable as this neighborhood has gone from mostly mature homeowners to younger renters, with "no skin in the game." We dare not go anywhere for fear of our home and property going up in smoke. We have to clean up our yard, gutters, roofs, etc. of all the arial firework junk. The unincorporated areas in this county have better policing than this City. We have police cars sitting down Cedar and Beach while this is going on and no citations seem to be given to the many infractions taking place.	12/6/2014 1:00 AM
455	The noise and mess after the 4th of July is just terrible. Let us join some of the nearby cities and ban fireworks. I remove spent rockets from my roof every year. The front street is a mess. So far no fire on my roof. In our law suite society it will not be long before some homeowner will sue the city for allowing fireworks that burns his home. My homeowners insurance agent informed me I am covered but will need to pay a hefty deductible. It is time to ban fireworks but maybe allow a city sponsored event. This will be a one day event not a weeks long parade of noise.	12/5/2014 1:33 PM
456	While I am not a big fan of fireworks I do not believe a ban is feasible for several reasons: 1. Current regulations are not enforced, which I am sure is not for a lack of desire more a man-hour issue. 2. With Boom City in our backyard you will never be able to keep fireworks out of the city 3. A ban removes fund raising opportunities for the Kiwanis Club or other organizations 4. The police have better things to do than chase down banned fireworks.	12/5/2014 1:05 PM
457	Please don't change our current local law regarding the use of fireworks in the city of Marysville. There are only two brief windows a year that kids are able to know the joy that it is to celebrate the Forth of July and New Year's eve with fireworks and, even though there are people who abuse the fireworks, and there are always an increase of incidents and accidents these evenings, we really want to be able to use them safely and correctly for the enjoyment of our family and our neighbors. It is one of the few times every year our entire neighborhood gets together and enjoys one another's company. When we first moved to Marysville we were overjoyed our first Forth of July here because we had no idea how fantastic it was and it was the first opportunity we had to get out and meet our neighbors; having a bbq, the kids playing, and later in the evening fireworks. It's been the same every year since and it would be a shame to take away the privilege just because some individuals complain and there are an increase of incidents. Besides, with the proximity of the reservation, I suspect that many would just continue lighting them off illegally tying up our police from doing more important work. Thanks for letting the community weigh in on this matter. After the last Forth and reading about the complaints in the local paper I was concerned that taking away the privilege of fireworks may happen, but I appreciate that, we as a community, are being asked for an opinion. WE LOVE MARYSVILLE!!! The Young family	12/5/2014 10:56 AM

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458	I enjoy the use of fireworks and VOTE to leave as is. There are far too many restrictions on fireworks. It is always the same actions the City Fathers get an Inch on restricting something and eventually that Inch turns into a Mile. It is already bad enough that only two days are allowed for fireworks but is also limited to Hours allowed. A Total Ban will also Slow the Tulalip Tribes Sales, which will hurt the Economy there. I Wonder if there is a Study of some kind that suggested this issue to come in front of the City Fathers and what were the results of the Study compared to other years including years before the original Restriction down to two days. Just Curious, Keith Jensen CPA EA	12/4/2014 10:08 PM
459	In our neighborhood fireworks are being discharged all hours of day and night, they don't seem to realize there is a curfew. Also illegal fireworks are being discharged. Would be a better place to live if a ban was imposed.	12/4/2014 10:36 AM
460	In my opinion family fireworks are not the problem. And I think it is unfortunate this issue may ruin the fun for many families. How are you planning to enforce a ban, and could that plan apply to illegal fireworks? We live in the Marshall area and hear fireworks frequently, but it gets completely out of control when Boom City opens. Please don't ban family fireworks. Please partner with the Tulalip Tribe to get control of when the fireworks they sell are discharged. Thank you	12/3/2014 7:18 AM
461	I'm against banning safe & sane fireworks in Marysville, but I do appreciate that they are limited to only certain days & times.	12/1/2014 8:30 PM
462	The government needs to stop taking our freedoms away!! I love living in Marysville because of the Cowboys and Indians. It is such a awesome feeling that our city celebrates the 4th of July with a BIG BOOM from everyone's home. Forget about changing the law!!	12/1/2014 8:07 PM
463	The property damage and personal injury due to fireworks is disturbing. The Kiwanis are caught in the middle. It is not the smaller fireworks that cause much of a problem, it is the fireworks obtained on the tulalip reservation. We see and hear huge fireworks in the neighborhood, but know there is not much the police can do.	12/1/2014 7:43 PM
464	Fireworks are already limited to only 7 hours out of the entire year. (I presume that's a typo in City Scene & it was supposed to say 9 p.m. for Dec. 31.) It would be a shame to take away a childhood joy. We are not going to ban stupidity by banning fireworks: If people are determined to be idiots, they will just go to Boom City to buy potentially dangerous items. Let the kids have their "safe & sane" fireworks and the Kiwanis Club their fundraising event. Thank you!	11/30/2014 9:08 PM
465	It would be fine to allow "City Fireworks" by the city Council. But please stop the excessive use of fireworks in residential areas. Thanks!	11/30/2014 6:25 PM
466	The noise from fire works is obnoxious and the smoke and smell lingers for hours. The explosions are louder each year and cannot be legal fireworks. I'm a Vietnam vet (Marine Corp) who suffers from PTSD, which with all the Vets, I am sure I am not alone. Every blast puts me back to Vietnam, trying to keep myself alive. Then there are the animals that have to be sedated, just to make it through a night. The fireworks start about a week before each event and continue on thereafter. Please ban the Fireworks . Thanks	11/30/2014 3:56 PM
467	For a person who goes to bed early, to get up at 2:00 AM to go to work, the fireworks eliminate any sleep for that night. My pets suffer greatly from the noise, even after I have given them calming medication, as do I. The obviously NOT legal fireworks used in my area are so intense that they can be felt through the walls of my house. The air pollution that results is so thick it causes respiratory irritation and discomfort. The people in my area, who shoot off the fireworks, leave it up to the wind and rain to disperse the remains.	11/30/2014 12:44 PM
468	Why make the 99.99% of the cautious community suffer for the stupidity of the .1% that are the idiots? I am really getting tired of losing my constitutional rights because some do-gooder in the government thinks he wants to save the world from the few idiots in the world.	11/29/2014 9:22 PM
469	Make the ban on private displays for sure. Some of these nuts around us have no common sense. Tired of picking up there burned out garbage on my property and all over the street.	11/29/2014 4:43 PM
470	Fireworks are pretty much uncontrolled in the Marysville area. Illegal fireworks abound. It appears to me that most of the fireworks being used are indeed illegal. We have to be concerned about home and property fires, in addition to personal safety resulting from irresponsible fireworks users. I'm pleasantly surprised the city is considering a fireworks ban but I heartily support the ban. Thank you.	11/29/2014 11:52 AM
471	Stop banning stuff. Stay out of my life.	11/29/2014 9:41 AM
472	Fireworks are part of the 4th of July and New Year's celebration, sure there will be accidents, but the same is true for driving cars and we still drive those every day. Use of fireworks is already limited (I would say more so than necessary for public safety) and only adults over 18 can buy fireworks. Adults should be allowed the freedom to continue the exercise of their traditions when they don't cause a safety hazard for others. No changes further limiting the use of fireworks should be implemented, there is not reason for it.	11/29/2014 9:34 AM

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473	I have animals and it is very hard on them. If it was just one day it would be fine but it is a week long celebration that is annoying. I cannot even hear the television fireworks over the loud actual ones.	11/29/2014 8:16 AM
474	It is just a zoo here on the 4th. The noise goes on afterward and before the 4th of July. It is an absolute dangerous nuisance.	11/29/2014 7:46 AM
475	Already too restrictive. Special events should be added to current acceptable hours, such as weddings, homecoming and championship games for example.	11/28/2014 10:19 PM
476	why? there is no need to stomp out fun	11/28/2014 8:44 PM
477	Everywhere in America we are to celebrate the birth and freedoms of our country. In fact, the early fathers of our country said that we should celebrate with fireworks. Please do not ban something that the majority wants, but a vocal minority opposes.	11/28/2014 8:11 PM
478	The fireworks in Marysville neighborhoods is out of control and starts a week before the 4th and goes on several days after and many other times not related to the 4th, they are mostly illegal fireworks, either enforce the laws on the books or make tougher laws and enforce them, it has gotten insane and is like a war zone.	11/28/2014 4:57 PM
479	I do strongly believe that the city of Marysville should ban fireworks in the city limits because of the fire hazard they create and the noise pollution they cause . Thank you very much	11/28/2014 11:53 AM
480	100% of the dollars earned through the SALE of SAF/ & /SANE fireworks in Marysville is used for the children of the community including scholarships, boy scouts, Little League, Campfire, Housing hope, Food Bank, and on and on. Should the sales and use be prohibited, it would encourage families to take their children to the sales area of the Tribal Fireworks Stands where not all items being sold are safe and sane, and none of the profit is returned to the children activities of our community. I still appreciate the celebrations of the 4th of July and hope we'll be able to continue such activities.	11/27/2014 9:27 AM
481	Legal fireworks in Marysville are a tradition that should not be snuffed out. It celebrates are freedoms and rights as citizens of this great country. It's just another ban that takes away those freedoms that were fought for over so many years. I get frustrated when simple rights are taken away, and when government decides what's best for the free individual. Do people get hurt, yes they do, but they also get hurt riding a bike, hiking, or even just getting in a car in fighting the massive traffic on a daily basis, in hoping not to get involved in a car accident. We don't live in a padded room to avoid accidents or misfortunes. Please don't decide what's best for me or my family, let me decide if I want to celebrate the 4th of July and New years with fireworks. Thanks Tom Geibel.	11/27/2014 8:32 AM
482	Personally, I am very disturbed by the flagrant violations of the existing code. In my neighborhood every year is like a war zone. And not just on the fourth but throughout the night and even the next day. Previously we used to leave town every year just to get away from all the racket. But now we are unable to travel so a total ban would be wonderful. Perhaps a strictly enforced ban permitting fireworks up until 11 PM on the fourth would be acceptable, BUT only if it were enforced. How to enforce it? Circulate forms to the citizens, even making them available on the web, whereby those who violate could be reported and fined. Use a rider, or something, so that they would be unable to renew their auto license until it was paid.	11/26/2014 1:56 PM
483	Most of the fireworks are illegal and dangerous. Houses have been burned, people have been injured. Also, animals are terrified and many run off each July 4th. A ban such as in Everett is much needed in Marysville. Fines should be given and rules should be more rigidly enforced. As it stands now, people do whatever they want. Bottle Rockets, and other illegal fireworks are used well past 11:00 pm. Public fireworks are much safer and reasonable, and are put on by professionals. Please make Marysville a safe and sane city again. Please impose a ban on fireworks in Marysville. Thank you.	11/26/2014 1:01 PM
484	I usually work on July 5th. I work the early morning shift. My alarm is set for 3:00am. The neighborhood fireworks are loud and intense from sundown until between 12:30 and 1:00am the 5th. I have no hope of getting any sleep that night until just before I have to get up. Besides that night there are always fireworks going off randomly at night for about two weeks before the night of the 4th and for a few days after. I've lived in Marysville for eleven years and this issue is one of two black eyes on the face of this city; the other being the drug proliferation and related crimes. I do appreciate Marysville's firm stand on dog barking and it would do well to adopt such a policy on fireworks. I've lived in towns where fireworks were prohibited. To view fireworks legally we had to drive to a larger neighboring city to watch the fireworks display which was hosted by the city in a football field. I feel this is a reasonable arrangement. For those who wish to see the fireworks it should be up to them to go to the site to see them just like they would for a movie at the theater or any large event and not impose the noise, toxic smoke and leftover rubbish on their neighbors lawns, roofs and landscape. Besides, fireworks pose a dangerous fire hazard to everyone (not to mention the physical injuries to the amateur participants).	11/26/2014 8:46 AM

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485	It's archaic. Why must we resort to violence our celebrate our independence? Just as with Hallowe'en, it has passed its prime. There are other means to acknowledge it, like parades, waving flags, play independence music, pledge-of-allegiance, singing patriotic songs. 1) The violence often leads to injuries, like blowing off fingers & rupturing eardrums. 2)The noise keeps us awake at night. 3)Our animals are terrified! 4) They're expensive, just when many are out of work & living in tents. Let's donate all that money where it will help! 5) It falls in the category with violence & guns. Let's put a halt to violence if we want our children to be good citizens & respect it and us.	11/25/2014 10:40 PM
486	WAY TOO DAMAGING TO NEIGHBORHOODS, SAFETY ISSUES, NO ONE CLEAN UP THE MESS, REALLY SCARES YOUR PETS...AND WHY DO WE EVEN ALLOW THIS STUFF?? IT SHOULD BE BAN, AND THE TULALIP TRIBES SHOULD NOT BE ABLE TO SELL ALL THAT TO THE GENERAL PUPLIC AND ESPECAILLY MONORS WHO GO OVER TO THE RES AND SPEND ALL THER! MONEY- PLEASE, PLEASE DO BAN THEM, ALL OF THEM !! IF THE TRIBES WERE REALLY, REALLY GOOD NEIGHBORS, THEY WOULD STOP SELL ALL THAT STUFF..THEY ALREADY MAKE A TON OF MONEY OFF THE PUBLIC IN THEIR CASINOS!!!	11/24/2014 8:25 AM
487	I don't want a nanny state. Please don't ban fireworks.	11/23/2014 6:24 PM
488	It is a war zone every year. Fireworks went on until after 3 am on the 5th. Those of us who have to work on the 5th got little to no sleep. Not to mention having the neighbors set our yard on fire in previous years. It is miserable. The fireworks are mostly illegal, bought from Boom City at Tulalip. No one pays attention to the legal dates. They go on for a month. It is truly miserable to live in Marysville around July 4th. :(My poor dog is tortured, as well. The M-80's and worse, go off all day and night. PLEASE impose this ban and follow up on it!	11/23/2014 11:48 AM
489	The fireworks in Marysville have gotten out of hand and should be banned. The emergency responders are overwhelmed at this time of year because of the fireworks, animals are scared witless and may pets go missing because of the fireworks, and the noise and pollution make us have to close our house up tight so we can sleep and breathe! I feel the Tulalip Tribe should review its policy on fireworks and consider so many people with PTSD, especially veterans! Thank you for asking!	11/23/2014 10:55 AM
490	Fireworks sales should be allowed only on July 3 and 4. Fireworks use allowed only on July 4 as is currently done should continue - forever. Compliance with current laws in my neighborhood is very good. Violators should be fined whenever possible. As long as boomcity is selling fireworks, there will continue to be use in Marysville. It is wrong to penalize all of the (law-abiding, patriotic) people in Marysville because of a few law-breakers. Fireworks use in Marysville is a long-standing, patriotic, american tradition and anyone who lives here should be willing to accept that fact. Residents who do not like fireworks should move to another city	11/23/2014 9:06 AM
491	People who use fireworks they buy at the Tulalip Reservation have no consideration to other people concerns. The fire works used are not firecrackers, they are bombs. They could care less about other people around them. If you try to talk to the ones who do the bombing they will tell you to go Blank Blank. I know how the city will go along with fireworks because it brings in the money. If everyone in Marysville voted to outlaw fireworks the city would still vote in favor of them. People who don't care about other people's property (and lets not forget the pets that that they don,t care about) should go to the reservation and do there fireworks there. The the noise and drinking are the same there. Other city,s have band fireworks and it works perfect so why do we as Marysville residents have to bend over backwards so Tulalip can make its big money.	11/22/2014 2:05 PM
492	why!! what's next... the current way is find the way it is. you lived right next to the Res... who really does not care about your stupid city law. and how will you enforce this crazy law. are you just following in the foot tracks of all the other city in the area. looks like Marysville can't think for there selfs!!!!	11/22/2014 1:09 PM
493	Fireworks have always been an important part of celebrating the 4th of July. I think we should be able to choose if we want to shoot off fireworks for our celebration. Please do not make this choice for our family! There are many groups that look forward to selling fireworks each year as a fundraiser to be able to continue their important work they do each year. Please do not deprive them of his yearly income.	11/22/2014 12:21 PM
494	I agree with banning the sale and use of ALL types of fireworks within city limits.	11/22/2014 11:59 AM
495	Fireworks are fun at almost any age and the noise isn't a problem because they are generally only done when it is expected. Though there is cleanup that needs to take place afterword, it is well worth it.	11/21/2014 9:30 PM
496	We're going to have to listen to them anyway. We may as well enjoy some revenue from them too. The tribe will be selling the really big, dangerous ones and we will sell the more user friendly ones.	11/21/2014 9:05 PM
497	Whether or not the ban of fireworks is ultimately the best decision for Marysville, this is not the time to do anything that might be seen as dividing the communities of Marysville and Tulalip. Because of Boom City and its importance to the Tribe, I think this is the time to preserve the traditions of our city and our community.	11/21/2014 7:33 PM

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498	<p>I support the fireworks sold by the Kiwanis Club, however it those sold at Boom City that I oppose. I question the legality of the fireworks sold at the Boom City fireworks stands. They are extremely loud and the shooting of them goes on in the city weeks before and after the 4th of July and 31 Dec. The police and Snohomish Sheriff's department do not seem to attempt the enforcement of the currently authorized shooting periods. For these reason I unfortunately vote to band all fireworks.</p>	11/21/2014 4:56 PM
499	<p>At least in my neighborhood, it is totally unbearable around the 4th of July. I liked fireworks before I moved here but it is so over done in this area that a ban would be very welcome.</p>	11/21/2014 4:53 PM
500	<p>Very few people adhere to the current law. By enacting a total ban it will be more obvious what the law is. With a ban there will still be violators, but there would be fewer violators.</p>	11/21/2014 4:19 PM
501	<p>I love fireworks, and enjoy setting them off at home. But it is totally out of hand in my neighborhood, and in the town in general. People don't seem to be able to use good judgement in limiting the number and size of fireworks. Also people set them off for an entire week or more during holidays and don't follow the time limits. I have pets who are quite frightened by the noise. It's like living in a war zone.</p>	11/21/2014 2:52 PM
502	<p>They are very noisy and keep people awake. Some people have to sleep night and get up early for work and they are kept awake by the noise. They are shot off for a week or more before the 4th of July and afterward for a day or 2. They get into other peoples yards and cause fires on roofs, porches, etc. People buy the illegal ones and use them in our neighborhoods. Too many injuries each year from misuse of fireworks and letting children shoot them off.</p>	11/21/2014 7:39 AM
503	<p>Discharging of fireworks is out of hand in Marysville! I realize there are legal sales of fireworks in the City but more people purchase the illegal fireworks from the Reservation to get more bang for their buck. Our neighborhoods are like war zones with the extreme noise and the resulting air pollution that lingers the days after, not to mention the fireworks garbage that is left on the streets. It's ridiculous that people use the celebration of our US freedom as an excuse to have a free-for-all with fireworks. I think a community fireworks show with music and food would be a better idea.</p>	11/18/2014 11:39 AM
504	<p>Fireworks are what make fourth of July and other holidays fun, and often times families would rather put on a cheap at home show rather than go out to a "professional" one. People are generally responsible with them and there is no good reason to ban them.</p>	11/17/2014 7:46 PM
505	<p>Fireworks are discharged days before they legally can, and most are illegal purchased from the reservation. I am tired of it! If I have the opportunity to be away from home on July 4th, I am. Then I worry about my home catching fire from the illegal fireworks.</p>	11/17/2014 7:19 PM
506	<p>As a responsible property owner, I usually find myself watering my yard pretty thoroughly that day as I routinely have ariel fireworks land in my yard and on my roof. I am, however, concerned about the city's ability to actually enforce the ban. It would not make sense to impose a ban only to have operators telling citizens that they cannot respond to calls that are made in a timely fashion. Law enforcement already has a difficult time keeping up with the number of citizens that don't follow the existing allowable timeframes. I have neighbors that start weeks before July 4 and don't finish for days after. I would be interested to hear what the PD has to say about their resources and their abilities to actually make this an effective ban. We certainly do not want them stretched too thin. David Lackey 360-653-5375</p>	11/17/2014 12:55 PM
507	<p>July 4, 2013 fireworkss continued past midnight - loud, bright. The next morning our street, yards, and roof tops were heavily laden with spent fireworks. The noise was horrific and the mess unbelievable. A definite fire hazard and disregard for neighbors and neighborhood pets. I live on NE 53rd Avenue.</p>	11/17/2014 11:37 AM
508	<p>I've lived in Marysville up off Getchel (83rd) for 7.5 years and every year the fireworks are completely out of control with most residents using our small streets as their launch pad beginning weeks before and many days after both the 4th and New Year's Eve. Because we are so close to the Reservation, a great majority of these used on the streets and sidewalks are illegal and fly through the air and end up on cars and roof tops creating a real fire hazard. Most often, these are blown off by kids and teens without parent or adult supervision. The cleanup for the rest of us extends more than the day after and residual paper and bottle rock sticks, etc. continue to land and blow up into my yard for days. I grew up in a neighborhood where everyone went to a beach to fire off the fireworks; I had never seen anyone blow them off in neighborhoods until I moved here! Residents do not obey the current laws so my expectations are it will take many years to purge us of loud and hazardous neighborhood displays. It would be interesting if the City had a designated place - a park or beach or huge open area - where they could allow them but again, knowing they do not follow current requirements leads me to believe they would not stick to a designated area as an alternative. Ban them.</p>	11/17/2014 11:06 AM
509	<p>The fireworks in Marysville don't happen on July 4th. They go from June and into September. It would be nice if it were only one day as it is turning my pet into a drug addict. It is not celebrating our nation's independence and is affecting our sanity.</p>	11/17/2014 9:02 AM

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510	Cons of Fireworks: terrorizes pets trash in streets, roofs and yards Waste of resources danger in manufacturing danger in using fire hazard Post Traumatic Stress Disorder contributor Pros of Fireworks: Sorry can't think of any.	11/16/2014 8:15 PM
511	They are dangerous and not everyone uses common sense when they use them nor pay attention to when they can legally use them. Every year they start going off as soon as they can be sold (pre July 4) and can be heard well into the wee hours on the 5th. They are a nuisance and it bothers me that I the only way to avoid all the noise is to take a vacation and leave my own city. While I understand that the taxes generated by the sale do help the city, I would think that the extra load on the fire department, EMTs and police more than eat up any revenues generated.	11/16/2014 4:51 PM
512	I live on a cul de sac in Marysville, and fireworks debris lands on my roof and into my roof gutters. Also, the noise if unbearable at times, and also scares animals. Ban fireworks completely! Thank you.	11/16/2014 4:22 PM
513	They can be a public safety issue, fire hazard and a nuisance to those who do not participate. It would be wonderful if there was a dedicated area to enjoy the freedom of lighting off fireworks and not have to have them land in my yard, on my house and frighten my dogs.	11/16/2014 11:54 AM
514	Yes, the trash produced alone is more then enough reason.	11/16/2014 10:58 AM
515	this is simply one more step in making life completely sterile. One day when the citizens are allowed to a big city wide celebration, much more fun than simply watching a show, we all get to participate.	11/16/2014 9:50 AM
516	Rather than banning them altogether, I feel that a better policy would be to regulate them according to current city law. We typically hear them going off for over a week of each holiday and way past 11pm on the 4th of July. If this law is currently in place and there are no consequences than I don't see how a total ban would work either!!!	11/16/2014 6:29 AM
517	Please, please spare us of the 2-3 weeks of noise and street mess.	11/15/2014 6:45 PM
518	Loss of community spirit. Loss of revenue for the city. Have lived here 10 years and does not bother me at all.	11/15/2014 4:42 PM
519	In recent years it has gotten out-of-hand with the more explosive fireworks sounding like a war zone, rather than kids celebrating and just having fun. It is terribly disturbing and dangerous. PLEASE put a stop to it.	11/15/2014 2:23 PM
520	We have lived here since 1986 and have enjoyed the tradition of setting off fireworks every year since then. It would be a very real shame to ban them now.	11/15/2014 1:39 PM
521	I do not buy or set off fireworks. But, I enjoy the show every year on July 4th and New Years. Its part of our culture in Marysville and one of the things that makes it fun to live our the city. Its fun to go to work the next day and tell all of my co-workers I had my own private fireworks show and all of them that live in another city are jealous of the fun we have in our city.	11/14/2014 3:13 PM
522	Very weary of the noise, bad air, and fire hazards in our neighborhood. Yes to a ban! Thank you.	11/14/2014 11:08 AM
523	Our governments have already taken away far too many liberties, and imposed far too many regulations. If someone gets injured, they are responsible. If someone is worried about fire, they need to be responsible and hose their house down. The government cannot and should not be mommy and daddy to every citizen. We cannot expect the government to take care of us. Far too many already do, and the rest of us pay the price. We are loosing all of our heritage. Stop banning everything in our lives.	11/13/2014 7:57 PM
524	Fireworks are OK, but they go on for days before and after the holiday and into all hours of the night.	11/11/2014 10:51 AM
525	HOWEVER. It will be meaningless if it's enforced as the current laws are (NOT) enforced! I could live with fireworks if the current laws were enforced. The main reason I can see for banning them is that MAYBE it would be easier to enforce the law if none were allowed at all? If not, don't bother. If you don't appropriate enough funds to have the police out in force, plus maybe allowing photo evidence taken by citizens to cite people afterwards, don't bother.	11/10/2014 8:06 PM
526	I would like to have this ban in place. After the 4th of July I am picking up banned fireworks out of my yard off, my roof and even out of my trees. It is getting worse now I'm worried about my property being damaged. I see a total ban being the only solution.	11/9/2014 12:04 PM
527	Every year we have to leave our home and travel to some other part of the state, or out of the state to escape the overbearing noise. The people that live across the street from us, has for the last 12 years used illegal fireworks. For the first couple of years, we would call the police. Nothing ever happened. After that, we just decided to leave town. Our poor pet, who is now deceased, had to be given tranquilizers every year. Now when we leave our home, we return to find all manner of firework trash and leftovers in our yard and on our roof. We have increased the amount of insurance on our home just for this reason. I would love to stay home for the 4th of July, but can't the BOOM we have to listen to. Did you know that loud noise has an effect on your blood pressure and cholesterol levels? I would be EXTREMELY happy if a ban was initiated.	11/9/2014 11:48 AM

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528	As long as fireworks are sold on the Res you can not ban them. This also is a major fund raiser for Kiwaniss Club.	11/8/2014 12:34 PM
529	Fireworks are one of the reasons I love living in Marysville. Moreover, If you ban fireworks how are you going to enforce it?? Do not the police have better things to be doing that trying to keep people from shooting off fireworks?	11/8/2014 9:10 AM
530	PEOPLE GET HURT AND IT CAN START FIRES, KIDS CAN LOSE AN EYE OR WORSE CAROLE JACOBSON MARYSVILLE, WA	11/7/2014 6:04 PM
531	I'm quite certain that patriotism is the furthest thing from the minds of those discharging fireworks in our neighborhoods. I would estimate that more than half of the fireworks did not comply with the state's "safe and sane" requirements yet few prosecutions are handed out. Consider also that there a lot of vets with PTSD that don't take well the sound of a firefght right outside their window. Our pets shouldn't be subjected to the trauma and I shouldn't have to go to Canada on the 4th. In places I've lived that had total bans on fireworks somehow there was money for high level public displays. Considering the enormous sums spent by households for consumer fireworks I think that money could be channeled to professional displays.	11/7/2014 12:19 PM
532	They should have people clean up after themselves after.	11/6/2014 10:20 AM
533	I am a veteran. The dates should be expanded,	11/6/2014 1:08 AM
534	Fireworks and cedar shake roofs are not compatible. We lost a house due to a roof fire here in Parkview Estates a few years ago on July4. Last year we had a tree fire. There are other alternatives to enjoy fireworks in a safe, controlled area. Due to the proximity to Boom City, very dangerous fireworks are everywhere in Marysville. I've had multiple bottle rockets,still smoldering, land on my cedar roof. This would be attempted arson any other day of the year. No, it's not an accident - people know what is happening, but they don't care. Organizations should not sell fireworks when they have no control over how they are used. Their profit is negated by the added tax payer cost of police and fire dept activity, and the safety risk to people and property. I strongly support a fireworks ban as already done by many cities. Fundraisers and Boom City should sell tickets to a fireworks show rather than sell dangerous fireworks. Ed Ferguson 6717 58th Dr NE Marysville WA	11/3/2014 12:24 PM
535	Every year it is like a war zone _ noisy _ upsets animals _ smokey if no wind We feel like prisoners in our house trying to dog calm. Last year we made sure we were not home went away for the weekend to find piece. If the 4th falls during the week - some of us have to work the next day and and the fireworks go on way too late _ you will hear them 1, 2 and 3 am. No one even thinks to stop at 11 pm. We live up at the top of the hill off Grove St. Then there is the clean up _ items on the roof, one was on the front porch. I'm surprise more roofs have not caught on fire. When we lived in California they ban them so everyone went to the park to see the city controlled fire works.	11/2/2014 8:16 AM
536	Every year we have the same issues. The holidays come, we have damage, people hurt, police expense, missing pets, terrified pets, etc. Then all the talk starts, we need to ban fireworks. Talk, talk, talk. Isn't it about time we finally did something to prevent this. Then to talk dies down until the next holiday and then it starts all over. I have lived in Marysville for 15 years, same old thing. YES, its time to ban fireworks. And keep Tulalip from selling to anyone who does not live on their land. And truly ENFORCE the laws when someone is caught. PLEASE before someone in Marysville is killed by them. Fireworks, yes, a professional display performed by an experienced company. Something for everyone to watch on the holiday. Not a free-for-all by the unexperienced lay person.	11/1/2014 4:51 PM
537	I can relate to people who live in war zones because we here in Marysville live in exactly the same climate for at least a month out of every year. The only difference is we are not killed. We are supporting the environment for the Indians to continue to sell high explosive illegal fireworks. There are always those in our community who set off such high explosives that it actually shakes your house. They always start a few weeks before July 4th and continue until 2 to 3 weeks after. The only way to stop it is to put a ban on all fireworks. Why can't Marysville do like so many other cities have done and ban them. If people really are interested in celebrating the 4th there are a lot of commercial displays. I think the fire departments and police could be used for more productive things than having to chase around and clean up the messes of the ones who have no regard for anyone else.	11/1/2014 12:58 PM
538	1. Fireworks are disruptive to the peace of the community 2. There are really good displays to be watched and more would license if they knew people would come. 3. Someone almost always gets hurt. No child should be hurt celebrating our freedom. 4. Fireworks that are illegal are being sold on the reservation then brought in to town. 5. Many people have to go to work early the next day and are unable to due to the noise. 6. Not everyone has A/C and they have t suffer with allergies and the smoke coming in open windows. 6. Police have done nothing to alleviate fireworks after permitted hours. Is this caused by too much stress on resources? 7. The fire department should not have to be on that kind of alert and cost the city so much money.	11/1/2014 7:21 AM
539	The present laws regarding illegal fireworks are not being adhered to and won't be even with a ban on them and legal fireworks. Ban all fireworks within the city limits and strictly enforce the ban. I'm sure it won't completely stop fireworks but it definitely should make the situation better.	10/31/2014 2:45 PM

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540	Ack - I had an entire 5 paragraph response typed out and for some reason, it all disappeared. The highlights were: *local organizations benefit from the sales *my family enjoys the holiday and we are responsible (lighting, cleaning up, etc) *a few idiots seem to ruin it for the rest of us There was so much more, and it was far, far more eloquent than what you see here. However, I don't have the time right now to try and replicate my thoughts. Just know that I absolutely OPPOSE a ban on fireworks in this great city that I live in. Thank you.	10/30/2014 8:35 PM
541	As long as citizens continue to respect the current laws in the City of Marysville, the celebration doesn't have a major impact on the community. While enforcement is always a part of resolution to cut back on fireworks nuisance, we could benefit by better communication with the community that disrespect of neighbors and the law can result in a temporary or permanent ban to fireworks. Postings at local fireworks stands and Boom City could help. Bringing the Tribes into the equation is paramount as this affects their sales. Also, several local service organizations, such as Kiwanis, benefit tremendously from sales of fireworks.	10/30/2014 8:38 AM
542	A ban only works if it is enforced.	10/28/2014 1:14 PM
543	I have lived in Marysville for over 20 years and each 4th of July, I have to stay home because I am afraid to leave due to the danger of fireworks burning down my house. This is a great inconvenience as it has prevented me from leaving the city when all the noise starts. It is just not on the 4th of July. You can hear fireworks going off in mid-June, and some of them sound like bombs. As it gets closer to the 4th and more fireworks stands open, it gets nosier and noisier as the days go on. They go off all day long. You begin to get "shell shocked". Then on the 4th, all hell breaks loose. It starts at 8:00am and goes way past 3:00am on July 5th. I have to hide down in my basement with the stereo going full blast to block out the noise! My pets hide under the bed or wherever they feel safe. They don't understand what is going on. In addition to the noise disturbance, there is the smoke and smell. I have to close all my doors and windows which affects my allergies. This is very inconvenient when the weather is hot. Every year, it seems to get worse and worse. When I first moved to Marysville, it was "tolerable", but not anymore! I felt 2014 was the worse year yet. I was so upset and rattled I felt sick. I know the police try their best to keep things under control, but it impossible with all the fireworks going off. A few years ago, I called the police because my neighbor was lighting off balloons in the street he had filled with gasoline. This was not of the 4th of July but several days before. When the police officer showed up, he asked my neighbor if he had been lighting off fireworks and of course he denied it, and the officer left. How can I expect to be safe during the "fireworks season" if the police don't address the calls? After the 4th, I find a lot of remains of fireworks all over my yard and house. People don't clean up after themselves. What doesn't get cleaned up, get's scattered all over and ends up going in the street drains. It is no longer safe and sane, it's more like dangerous and insane! I am so glad the city council is finally addressing this issue. I was going to write to the governor because it was so bad this year. There has to be a way to ban fireworks or people will no longer want to live here in dread. I have heard more than once when people move to Marysville, they are unaware of the fireworks being so bad and regret moving here. I know the Kiwanis Club and other non-profit organizations use fireworks sales for fund-raising, but they will have to find other avenues. Then there is "Boom City". I hope the city council is not going to be swayed by the Tribe so they lose revenue. Like the non-profits, they will need to find other ways to make money. In addition, our climate is changing and it is getting drier and drier every year. If you look at the past, we have not had rain on the 4th for several years. So the chance of fires increases every year. If the city continues to allow fireworks, one-of-these-days, something really bad is going to happen and there will be regret when no action was taken when there was the chance. Other cities have adopted a ban and they seem to do very well. There are many places people can go to see fireworks at public displays. I really respect the council and Mayor for setting up a committee and allowing the public to finally vote and have a say in this matter. I am hoping the city will do the right things and adopt the ban. Thank you very much for the opportunity to speak out.	10/27/2014 10:06 PM
544	Some traditions are worth keeping. Fireworks on the Fourth of July are a celebration of this country's independence and freedom from a tyrannical government. New Years fireworks are based in cultural tradition.	10/27/2014 3:37 PM
545	I enjoy watching fireworks in my neighborhood, without having to go to some central location. It is somewhat annoying that the fireworks start a week before Independence Day, and extend a week after.	10/26/2014 4:54 PM
546	Fireworks in the city are the bane of July 4. The smoke in the air, the noise, the mess, the resulting fires make the city unliveable on that day. And what's worse, people explode fireworks on other days as well. The downside is that folks will ignore the ban. How will it be enforced and what will be the penalty? Will it be a civil or criminal matter?	10/25/2014 8:07 AM
547	We love watching all of the fireworks! Don't impose a ban!! Yes, it is loud, and yes it can be disruptive if you have to get up early the next day, but the neighborhood camaraderie, patriotism, and just sheer fun of watching the sky light up with fireworks is worth it!! It would be such a shame to take that away! DON'T BAN FIREWORKS!!!!	10/24/2014 8:54 PM
548	Life is full of hardships and sadness. Please allow us to have some fun and celebrate with fireworks just a couple of times a year.	10/24/2014 5:21 PM

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549	Fireworks are a great American tradition that give the population of Marysville a chance to celebrate our Independence with loud noises and beautiful colors. Sure, it might disturb people's sleep/animals, and even my dogs don't like the fireworks, but I think it is worth it for the sheer epicness that is experienced when looking out across the valley and seeing more fireworks than you do at Disneyland. Please don't ban fireworks in Marysville!	10/24/2014 5:19 PM
550	It is a time honored to tradition of celebration. Allowing for an individual to have the freedom to celebrate as much or as little as they see fit for those holidays is great. Sure there may be a bit of danger in using fireworks, but so is driving into work on a rainy day. I think nowadays our time honored traditions are being eroded away and I would be dismayed to see marysville continue the decline.	10/23/2014 8:42 AM
551	Nothing good comes from fireworks. The noise is terrible. People start lighting the firecrackers weeks before the fourth. The large M80'S make a huge sound that scares human and animal a like. On the fourth the air smells like gun powder. The poor animals, dogs, cats, horses, cows, birds all suffer from the noise. There is nothing pleasant about this holiday. Controlled shows would be the answer. This would make it a safe and sane hoilday!	10/22/2014 5:44 PM
552	The annual fireworks mayhem in this town is something we have learned to dread every year since moving here in 1998. One of our best neighborhood friends actually moved away because of it. The air is unhealthy, and one house in our immediate neighborhood was badly damaged by a roof fire resulting from fireworks use. Please enact a ban. P.S. The opinions of those who raise funds from their fireworks sales - Kiwani\$, etc - are not disinterested parties, so should not be considered.	10/20/2014 9:47 PM
553	Unfortunately the 4th of July actually starts in Marysville around the third week of June and ends sometime in the middle of July if you're lucky. I take several days off every year because of Fireworks issues. My vehicles have been damaged by illegal bottle rockets from Boom City twice. The Marysville Police Department tries hard but due to the nature of proof needed to ticket an offender they cannot effectively enforce current fireworks laws...offendors light off a bunch of fireworks and by the time the police arrive they are not doing it anymore so therefore I believe they should ban fireworks in Marysville. We have considered moving out of Marysville because of fireworks. We should have a couple of public displays at the High School Stadium and Stawberry field on the fourth in Lieu of personal fireworks.	10/19/2014 3:46 PM
554	Absolutely not. First and foremost reason is simple: There is no way to control the massive amount of fireworks that come off of the reservation. My observations are... 1) Marysville residents ARE NOT GOING TO STOP USING FIREWORKS. Use of fireworks that come off of the Tulalip reservation are almost a right of passage for residents. There is no way that the city has resources to enforce such a law that is being drummed up by surely a small group of curmdudgeons. I myself am 57 and have had teenagers that have enjoyed, in a safe manner; fireworks from the reservation. I too have bought them in the past. 2) I fear that the result would be a devastating blow to the relationship between the Tulalip Tribe and the City of Marysville. It's no secret that the sale of fireworks in the month of June and early July generates a tremendous of residents income. For a city the size of Marysville to yank that away is simply wrong. 3) Albeit a war zone for 6 hours, on the whole; Marysville residents get it, tolerate it and are generally respectful of cleaning up when it's all finished. 4) Even firework stands that operate for charitable purposes would feel the blow. Sure, there are injuries, resultant fires, idiots and city resources that will need to respond to such... I just don't believe this outweighs what I've noted above. If part of this is prompted by the city not having enough dollars for Fire, Police and Aid to oversee this 6 hour festive celebration, then possibly the City of Marysville should hang a carrot over the tribe and say look: You benefit, we benefit (by the tribe paying some sort of "user tax" to Marysville) and all will be good. Otherwise then, threaten to pull the plug on their inflow of fireworks. Please don't base your decision on emotion. Thanks, Scott Lawson	10/18/2014 11:52 AM
555	The noise has gotten to be too much, or poor dog hides under the couch for hours because she is so scared. Enough is enough, I am tired of picking up garbage from neighbors who shoot it off towards the house, we move our motorhome out of town because it was getting marks on it. Last year I picked up over 50 bottle type rockets and pieces of spent rockets. If the reservation wants to make money off of them let them clean up the mess.	10/17/2014 7:12 PM
556	OUr neighborhood, as do many other neighborhoods in Marysville, becomes like a war zone on and around the 4th of July. We have had 2 houses burn down in the past few years as a direct result of firewarks and this past hear our roads were blocked by the people and displays and a tree in the front yard of one of the houses burned down. That resident was not even home at the time.	10/17/2014 5:29 PM
557	The younger adults in Park View Estates get out of hand the entire month of July using fireworks that were purchased at Boom City all hours of the day and night. Some items sold at Boom City create a fire hazard for homes in the neighborhood, many of which still have wood shake roofs..	10/17/2014 4:58 PM
558	They are a menace	10/17/2014 2:36 PM
559	I fear for my house. I live in the condo development by the Naval Commissary. It is insane on that soccer field over there. I would love for this to go through and a real city wide show be put on instead.	10/16/2014 1:07 PM

Should the City impose a ban on fireworks in Marysville?

560	I am a Senior, and go to bed early. I do NOT appreciate being woke up by fireworks that sound like World War III just broke out. I don't mind during the Strawberry Festival, or on 4th of July, or even on New Year's Eve, but the rest of the days/nights of the year, I would appreciate something being done about all the kids putting off fireworks every single night.	10/10/2014 7:00 PM
561	Reduction in the torment of myself and my pets over the week of 4th of July. I live at the base of the rise in terrain along 67th. Fireworks rain down on my home and yard.	10/4/2014 2:43 AM
562	Very dangerous and very annoying that they start going off on June! The July 4 only dates appears to not be enforced well at all! Very much in favor of a complete ban.	10/3/2014 4:41 PM

Fireworks Committee Meeting Supplemental Information

Information on Survey Results:

- If a person completing the survey selected no, they are not a resident they could not complete the survey past question 1
- There is potential that people completed the survey multiple times, or went back into the survey to change the response to question 1
- We saw multiple occurrences where the IP address for the computer was listed as completing the survey multiple times. This can be caused by multiple reasons:
 - A shared computer with multiple individuals using the system
 - A system firewall that has multiple computers operating off a system server
 - Individuals completed the survey responses on more than one occasion

Information on Advisory Poll for November Ballot:

- Ballot items must be submitted to the County election office by August 4th.
- Election cost is based on the number of voters and the total number of ballot items.
- Election office requests planning for costs to be on the higher side of an estimate per voters, about \$1.50 to \$2.00 per registered voter in the area (which is about \$55,000 to \$73,000).

CITY OF MARYSVILLE

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY FOR ACTION

CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATE: July 28, 2014

AGENDA ITEM: Fireworks Law Review	AGENDA SECTION: Mayor's Business	
PREPARED BY: Gloria Hirashima, Chief Administrative Officer	AGENDA NUMBER:	
ATTACHMENTS: 1. Area Fireworks Restrictions Summary 2. Fire District Incident Report Summary 3. Police Department Citation Summary 4. Puget Sound Clean Air Agency Email and Report 5. Marysville Municipal Code 9.20 Fireworks	APPROVED BY:	
	MAYOR	CAO 
BUDGET CODE:	AMOUNT:	

City Council requested review of Marysville's fireworks regulations. Information has been compiled for Snohomish County and King County relating to firework restrictions. Information from Fire and Police response has also been included. The Mayor also received an air quality report from Puget Sound Clean Air Agency following the 4th of July weekend.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff asks Council to review attachments regarding Fireworks. Staff asks Council to provide requests for additional information if needed.
COUNCIL ACTION:

Fireworks Laws Summary

Snohomish County Cities	Banned	July 4th Only	Multiple Dates
Arlington		9:00 a.m. – midnight	
Bothell		9:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.	
Brier		9:00 a.m. – 11:59 p.m.	
Edmonds	Banned		
Everett	Banned		
Gold Bar	Banned		
Granite Falls		9:00 a.m. – midnight	
Index		9:00 a.m. – midnight	
Lake Stevens		9:00 a.m. – midnight	
Lynnwood		9:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.	
Marysville		9:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.	
Mill Creek	Banned		
Mountlake Terrace	Banned		
Mukilteo	Banned		
Snohomish			July 1 st to 4 th 9 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.
Stanwood			June 28 th to July 5 th Noon – 11:00 p.m.
Unincorporated Snohomish County		9:00 a.m. – 11:59 p.m.	
Woodway	Banned		
Woodinville	Banned		
King County Cities*	Banned	July 4th Only	Multiple Dates
Kenmore	Banned		
Auburn		9:00 a.m. – midnight	
Bellevue	Banned		
Black Diamond		9:00 a.m. – midnight	
Burien	Banned		
Carnation	Banned		
Clyde Hill	Banned		
Covington		9:00 a.m. – midnight	
Des Moines	Banned		
Duvall		9:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.	
Enumclaw		9:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.	
Federal Way	Banned		
Hunts Point	Banned		
Issaquah	Banned		
Kent		9:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.	
Kirkland	Banned		
Lake Forest Park	Banned		
Maple Valley		9:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.	
Medina	Banned		

Mercer Island		9:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.	
Newcastle	Banned		
Normandy Park			June 28 th Noon – 11:00 p.m. June 29 th – July 4 th 9 a.m. – 11 p.m.
North Bend		9:00 a.m. – midnight	
Pacific		9:00 a.m. – midnight	
Redmond	Banned		
Renton	Banned		
Sammamish	Banned		
SeaTac	Banned		
Seattle	Banned		
Shoreline	Banned		
Skykomish		9:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.	
Snoqualmie		6:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.	
Tukwila	Banned		
Woodinville	Banned		
Yarrow Point	Banned		
Unincorporated King County		9 a.m. – midnight	

*King County Data from County website. Updated in 2013

2014 Fireworks Totals Fire District

There were 12 total fireworks incidents reported of which one injury was reported within the City. Of those 12 incidents that were reported two (2) were within the District, one (1) in Quil Ceda Village, and 9 within the City. The injuries have been highlighted and a synopsis of those fireworks incidents:

Fireworks Incidents 06/28/14 – 07/05/14					
Number	Date	Incident Number	Location	Disposition	Jurisdiction
1	06/25/14	5061	5611 108th Street NE	Grass Fire	City
2	07/04/14	5333	5301 64th Street NE	Port-A-Potty	City
3		5337	14502 E. Lake Goodwin	Cancelled	District
4		5340	Grove Street @ Beach Avenue	Grass Fire	City
5		5343	1114 State Avenue	Grass Fire	City
6	07/04/14	5350	6909 61st Place NE	Grass Fire	City
7		5356	14425 54th Drive NE	Eye Injury	City
8		5359	6918 77th Avenue NE	Grass Fire	City
9		5360	58th Drive NE	Tree	City
10		5361	10322 27th Avenue NE	Head Injury	Village
11		5363	16514 38th Avenue NW	Unknown Injury	District
12		5365	5309 101st Place NE	Brush	City

2014 Fireworks Totals Police Department

- 2013 – 13 fireworks citations written
- 2014 – 28 fireworks citations written
- 30 warning issued on July 4th; one ticket written

Email Summary from Puget Sound Clean Air

From: Craig Kenworthy [mailto:CraigK@pscleanair.org]
Sent: Monday, July 07, 2014 8:42 AM
To: Jon Nehring
Subject: Emailing: NevronChart

Hi Mayor,

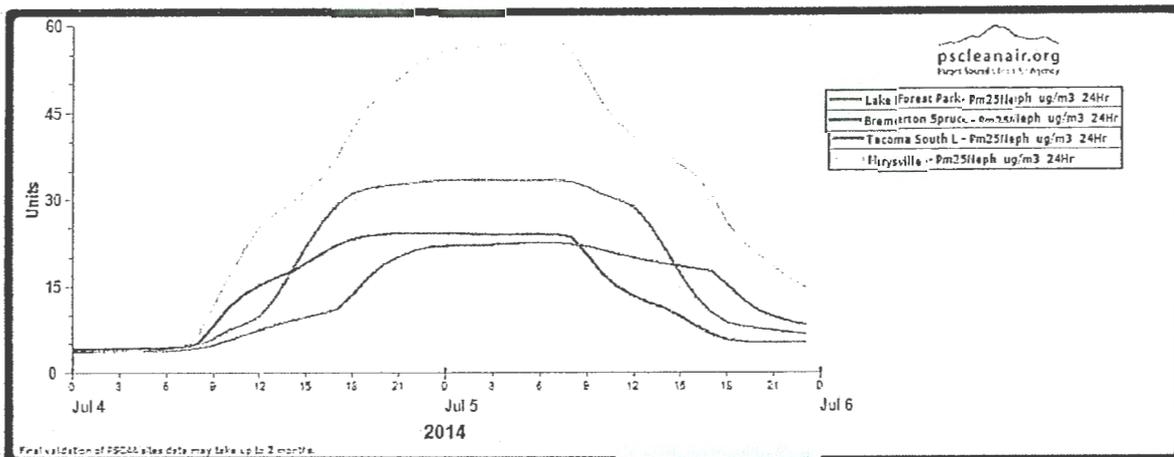
In case the city gets questions about air quality over the 4th of July holiday, I am attaching a graph showing what things looked like. It displays the 24 hour average over the 4th and 5th and how pollution builds up and dissipates. This year, our Marysville monitor had the highest levels of particulate pollution(PM 2.5) compared to other sites where we see spikes on the holiday. The 24 hour average was like a really bad winter day when we have a lot of wood smoke in the air, with the short time frame(1 hour) readings on the 4th and 5th being much higher than those winter days and the lower end hourly readings (say after noon) being lower.

The weather conditions(light winds, no rain) make a major difference in how long it takes for levels to drop and this year those conditions did not help us out. I'll be sharing similar data with other officials.

Please let me know what questions you have.

Best,

Craig K.



Chapter 9.20 FIREWORKS

Sections:

- 9.20.010 State statutes adopted.
- 9.20.015 Additional definitions.
- 9.20.020 Date and time limits for sale or discharge of consumer fireworks.
- 9.20.070 Permit procedure.
- 9.20.080 Action by city council.
- 9.20.090 Issuance of – Nontransferable.
- 9.20.110 Operation of fireworks stands.
- 9.20.120 Temporary fireworks stand specifications.
- 9.20.125 Enforcement – Revocation of permit.
- 9.20.130 Penalties for violations.

9.20.010 State statutes adopted.

The following sections of the State Fireworks Law (Chapter 70.77 RCW) are adopted by reference, including any amendments to the same which may hereafter be enacted by the state of Washington:

RCW

- 70.77.126 Definition of "fireworks."
- 70.77.131 Definition of "display fireworks."
- 70.77.136 Definition of "consumer fireworks."
- 70.77.138 Definition of "articles pyrotechnic."
- 70.77.141 Definition of "agricultural and wildlife fireworks."
- 70.77.146 Definition of "special effects."
- 70.77.160 Definition of "public display of fireworks."
- 70.77.165 Definition of "fire nuisance."
- 70.77.180 Definition of "permit."
- 70.77.190 Definition of "person."
- 70.77.205 Definition of "manufacturer."
- 70.77.210 Definition of "wholesaler."
- 70.77.215 Definition of "retailer."
- 70.77.230 Definition of "pyrotechnic operator."
- 70.77.255 Acts prohibited without a license.
- 70.77.285 Public display permit – Bond.
- 70.77.290 Public display permit.
- 70.77.295 Public display permit – Amount of bond.
- 70.77.311 Exemptions from licensing.
- 70.77.335 License authorizes activities of salesmen, employees.
- 70.77.405 Authorized sales of toy caps, tricks, novelties.
- 70.77.410 Public displays not to be hazardous.
- 70.77.415 Supervision of public displays.
- 70.77.420 Storage permit required.

- 70.77.425 Approved storage facilities required.
- 70.77.430 Sale of stock after revocation or expiration of license.
- 70.77.450 Examination, inspection of books and premises.
- 70.77.480 Prohibited transfers of fireworks.
- 70.77.485 Unlawful possession of fireworks – Penalties.
- 70.77.488 Unlawful discharge or use of fireworks – Penalty.
- 70.77.510 Sales or transfers of display fireworks – Penalty.
- 70.77.515 Sales or transfers of consumer fireworks – Penalty.
- 70.77.520 Unlawful to permit fire nuisance where fireworks kept – Penalty.
- 70.77.535 Articles pyrotechnic, special fireworks for entertainment media.
- 70.77.545 Violation a separate, continuing offense.
- 70.77.547 Civil enforcement not precluded.
- 70.77.580 Posting by retailers of lists of allowed fireworks.

(Ord. 2737 § 1, 2008; Ord. 2409 § 1, 2002; Ord. 1942 § 1, 1993; Ord. 1778 § 1, 1990; Ord. 1376 § 2, 1984).

9.20.015 Additional definitions.

The following additional definitions shall apply in this chapter:

"Permittee" means any person issued a fireworks permit in conformance with this chapter. (Ord. 2737 § 1, 2008; Ord. 2409 § 2, 2002).

9.20.020 Date and time limits for sale or discharge of consumer fireworks.

No fireworks shall be sold or discharged within the city except as follows:

- (1) The sale of consumer fireworks shall be allowed from 12:00 noon to 11:00 p.m. on June 28th and from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. on June 29th through July 4th.
- (2) Consumer fireworks may be discharged July 4th only from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. and December 31st from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. on January 1st. (Ord. 2737 § 1, 2008; Ord. 2529 § 1, 2004; Ord. 2409 § 3, 2002; Ord. 2031 § 1, 1995; Ord. 1942 § 2, 1993).

9.20.070 Permit procedure.

Any adult person, firm, partnership, corporation or association may apply for a fireworks permit; provided, that the applicant must hold a current business license issued by the city, and must be, or be sponsored by, a person or entity which has a permanent address within the city limits. The application shall be filed with the business licensing specialist or designee.

The application shall include the following:

- (1) Proof that the applicant has been issued a fireworks license or permit by the Chief of the Washington State Patrol acting through the city's fire marshal;
- (2) A description of the proposed location of the fireworks;

(3) Proof that the applicant has an insurance policy with bodily injury liability limits of \$50,000/\$1,000,000 for each person and occurrence and \$50,000 for property damage liability for each occurrence. The city shall be named as an additional insured on the policy;

(4) An annual license fee of \$100.00;

(5) Subject to MMC 9.20.080, such permit shall be issued if the application meets the requirements of Chapter 70.77 RCW and all ordinances of the city of Marysville. (Ord. 2890 § 1, 2012; Ord. 2737 § 1, 2008; Ord. 2409 § 4, 2002; Ord. 2031 § 2, 1995; Ord. 1592, 1987; Ord. 1241 § 2, 1982; Ord. 1235 § 3, 1982).

9.20.080 Action by city council.

Upon seven days' advance written notice to the applicant, the city council shall hold a public meeting on the issuance of a fireworks permit. The city council shall have power, in its discretion, to grant or deny the application, subject to reasonable conditions, if any, as it shall prescribe. The decision of the city council with respect to an application shall be final. (Ord. 2890 § 2, 2012; Ord. 2737 § 1, 2008; Ord. 1241 § 3, 1982; Ord. 1235 § 4, 1982).

9.20.090 Issuance of – Nontransferable.

Upon approval by the city council of a fireworks permit, the city clerk shall issue the same to the applicant, who thereafter shall be the permittee. The permit shall be for a term of one year. No permit shall be transferable without express approval by the city council. (Ord. 2737 § 1, 2008; Ord. 2409 § 5, 2002; Ord. 1235 § 5, 1982).

9.20.110 Operation of fireworks stands.

The party holding the fireworks permit shall operate the fireworks stand exclusively by and through its employees, members or designees. At least one adult person (age 18 or over) shall be present at all times a fireworks stand is open to the public. No person under 16 years of age shall be allowed to sell fireworks or remain within a fireworks stand when it is open to the public. (Ord. 2737 § 1, 2008; Ord. 1778 § 2, 1990; Ord. 1241 § 4, 1982; Ord. 1235 § 6, 1982; Ord. 479 § 11, 1962).

9.20.120 Temporary fireworks stand specifications.

All retail sales of consumer fireworks shall be permitted only from a retailer at a retail fireworks stand or outlet that is temporary, and the sale from any other building or structure is prohibited.

A retail fireworks stand shall be subject to the following provisions, unless preempted by state-wide standards, in which event the state-wide standards shall apply:

(1) No retail fireworks stand shall be located within 25 feet of any other building, nor within 50 feet of any gasoline station.

(2) Retail fireworks stands shall be temporary and need not comply with the provisions of the building code of the city; provided, however, that all stands shall be erected under the supervision of the fire chief, as defined elsewhere in this code, who shall require that the stand be constructed in a manner which shall ensure the safety of attendants and patrons, shall be wired according to state or national electrical code, and shall satisfy any state-wide standards issued by the State Director of Fire

Protection. At least two approved fire extinguishers with 2.5 gallons apiece, or equivalent, shall be maintained at each stand at all times.

(3) Each stand must have two exits.

(4) No retail fireworks stand shall be located closer than 600 feet to another fireworks stand.

(5) All weeds and combustible material shall be cleared from the location of the stand, including a distance of at least 20 feet surrounding the stand.

(6) "No Smoking" signs shall be prominently displayed on the fireworks stand.

(7) Each retail fireworks stand shall be operated by adults only. No fireworks shall be left unattended in a stand.

(8) All unsold stock and accompanying litter shall be removed from the location by 12:00 noon on the sixth day of July of each year.

(9) The retail fireworks stand shall be disassembled and removed from the location by 12:00 noon on the sixth day of July of each year. (Ord. 2737 § 1, 2008; Ord. 2409 § 6, 2002; Ord. 1778 § 3, 1990; Ord. 479 § 12, 1962).

9.20.125 Enforcement – Revocation of permit.

The city fire marshal shall be authorized to enter and inspect all fireworks stands to assure compliance with the provisions of this chapter and to protect the public health, safety and welfare. The fire marshal is authorized to temporarily revoke any permit, for cause. Any party aggrieved by such revocation shall have the right to appeal the same to the city council within 10 days thereafter. The decision of the city council shall be final. (Ord. 2737 § 1, 2008; Ord. 1235 § 7, 1982).

9.20.130 Penalties for violations.

(1) Any person violating this chapter shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine not exceeding \$1,000, or by imprisonment in the jail for a period not exceeding 90 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment. Further, the license shall be revoked.

(2) Any person violating portions of this chapter specifically designated by this chapter or by RCW as gross misdemeanor or misdemeanor, upon conviction shall be guilty and punished for gross misdemeanor by a fine not to exceed \$5,000 or by imprisonment in jail for a period not to exceed 365 days or by both such fine and imprisonment; for misdemeanor by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 or by imprisonment in jail for a period not to exceed 90 days or by both such fine and imprisonment.

(3) Civil Infraction.

(a) Violations involving possession or discharge of small quantities of fireworks, unless specifically designated in this chapter or RCW as gross misdemeanor or misdemeanor, is a civil infraction, and may be cited as a "civil infraction."

(i) Upon finding that a violation has been committed the person committing the act shall be assessed an amount not to exceed \$500.00 plus applicable statutory assessments.

(ii) Such penalty is in addition to any other remedies or penalties specifically provided by law; nothing in this section precludes the charging of a misdemeanor or gross misdemeanor crime as defined under this chapter or RCW.

(iii) Three or more of said "civil infractions" within any consecutive two-year period of time shall be cited as a misdemeanor as set forth in subsection (1) of this section.

(b) "Civil infraction" has the meaning given that term by Chapter 7.80 RCW, the Infraction Rules for Courts of Limited Jurisdiction ("IRLJ") and any local rule adopted by the Marysville municipal court. (Ord. 2737 § 1, 2008; Ord. 479 § 13, 1962).

The Marysville Municipal Code is current through Ordinance 2963, passed May 27, 2014.

Disclaimer: The City Clerk's Office has the official version of the Marysville Municipal Code. Users should contact the City Clerk's Office for ordinances passed subsequent to the ordinance cited above.

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Motion made by Councilmember Vaughan, seconded by Councilmember Seibert, to approve Ordinance No. 2967. **Motion** passed unanimously (7-0).

21. Bee Regulations.

CAO Hirashima reviewed research regarding regulations staff did on surrounding jurisdictions regarding bee regulations. She noted that there are a number of variations on regulations. The items that seem to be commonly regulated relate to the number of colonies or hives allowed. Several jurisdictions have setback regulations. There are also various regulations regarding the overall owner management of the colonies. Staff also visited the neighborhood and the house of concern. Staff's recommendation is to refer this to the Planning Commission for a more thorough review.

Councilmember Seibert noted that some of the cities' regulations talked about regulating swarms, replacing the queen, etc. He requested that the Planning Commission address the reasons for these regulations.

Councilmember Muller asked why the property in question had such a large number of bees. CAO Hirashima wasn't sure, but indicated that it doesn't appear that there is commercial activity going on. It also doesn't appear to be uncommon.

Motion made by Councilmember Muller, seconded by Councilmember Seibert, to refer this matter to the Planning Commission for review and recommendation. **Motion** passed unanimously (7-0).

Legal

Mayor's Business

16. Fireworks Law Review.

CAO Hirashima explained that staff pulled together a comparison of various cities in Snohomish and a summary of fireworks laws. The 2014 Fireworks Incident Reports that were reported to the Fire District and the 2013 and 2014 Police citation data were also included in the Council packet. There is also an email summary from Puget Sound Clean Air Agency indicating the air quality over the 4th of July holiday weekend and a copy of the City's current fireworks ordinance, Chapter 9.20. Grant Weed distributed an overview and summary of the fireworks regulations that Municipal Research Services Center has put together. City Attorney Weed commented that there are three layers of regulations regarding fireworks – federal, state, and city. Any city regulations must be done at least a year in advance of taking effect.

Councilmember Seibert referred to the list of fires related to fireworks and wondered why the one at Cedarcrest Vista wasn't on the list. Fire Marshal Tom Maloney explained that there were various reasons. People often don't call. In the last six years there have been 90 calls directly related to fireworks. The trend is a lot of burning bushes which are

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turned into insurance companies. Director Jim Ballew pointed out that the fire he referred was on school district property.

Councilmember Muller noted that a lot of fire departments in southern Oregon sponsor fireworks shows as fundraisers. He asked about the cost for those. Director Nielsen replied that it is anywhere from \$5,000 to \$30,000 depending on the size of the show. Councilmember Muller thought this would be a nice compromise. Director Ballew commented that the one year they tried it there was not a good turnout. He pointed out that there is already a fireworks show as part of the Strawberry Festival.

Councilmember Seibert asked how effective the bans are. Chief Smith replied that his colleagues like the bans because there is no ambiguity on enforcement.

Director Ballew commented that the City doesn't have a city park facility large enough to accommodate a public display of fireworks, and the school district's policies prohibit fireworks on their property.

Chief Smith reiterated Director Ballew's comment that there is already a large fireworks show a couple weeks before the 4th of July as part of Strawberry Festival. He thought adding another show would be quite taxing on staff.

Councilmember Vaughan stated that he enjoys fireworks, but he doesn't enjoy people who are unsafe with fireworks. He asked if it would even be possible to see the benefits of a ban given the City's proximity to the illegal fireworks. Chief Smith said he thought they would see a decrease, but they would not stop altogether. A ban would allow the City to take action more effectively.

Councilmember Wright noted that a ban would affect a lot of service clubs who use the proceeds from fireworks sales. She stressed that it is the illegal stuff that people are concerned about.

Chief Smith clarified his earlier comments stating that 35 citations were written with 5 of those being written on July 4. He assumes that most of those were for illegal fireworks.

Councilmember Vaughan asked about the possible indirect economic benefits of allowing fireworks in the community. Councilmember Vaughan commented on the importance of public input on this topic.

Motion made by Councilmember Seibert to direct staff to put a continuation of this discussion on the agenda as a discussion item with possible action in September or when possible.

Councilmember Vaughan suggested a different approach such as a committee study or an advisory vote of citizens in order to have more public input on this matter.

Motion failed for lack of a second.

Motion made by Councilmember Vaughan, seconded by Councilmember Toyer to direct staff to begin the work of forming an ad hoc fireworks committee.

Councilmember Wright suggested having the Fire Marshal involved on the committee. Councilmember Vaughan suggested having one or more council members, but stressed that he thought the purpose was to get more community input. Councilmember Stevens spoke in support of this motion. He recommended having some members of the service organizations and also a pro-fireworks voice at the table for those discussions.

Councilmember Stevens asked about the deadline for adopting a ban. City Attorney Weed explained that if Council is going to change its current regulations it would have to have an ordinance adopted and effective before the end of June 2015.

Councilmember Seibert recommended allowing staff to determine the specific makeup of the committee.

Motion passed unanimously.

17. Planning Commission Reappointments: Katherine Smith and Roger Hoen.

Motion made by Councilmember Wright, seconded by Councilmember Stevens, to approve the reappointment of Katherine Smith to the Planning Commission. **Motion** passed unanimously (7-0).

Motion made by Councilmember Muller, seconded by Councilmember Toyer, to approve the reappointment of Roger Hoen to the Planning Commission. **Motion** passed unanimously (7-0).

18. Hotel/Motel Appointments: Jennifer Caveny, Carol Kapua, Mary Kirkland, and Charles Lee.

Motion made by Councilmember Seibert, seconded by Councilmember Toyer, to approve the appointment of Jennifer Caveny to the Hotel/Motel Committee. **Motion** passed unanimously (7-0).

Motion made by Councilmember Toyer, seconded by Councilmember Seibert, to approve the appointment of Carol Kapua to the Hotel/Motel Committee. **Motion** passed unanimously (7-0).

Motion made by Councilmember Wright, seconded by Councilmember Vaughan, to approve the appointment of Mary Kirkland to the Hotel/Motel Committee. **Motion** passed unanimously (7-0).

Motion made by Councilmember Vaughan, seconded by Councilmember Stevens, to approve the appointment of Charles Lee to the Hotel/Motel Committee. **Motion** passed unanimously (7-0).