REPORT TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION



DATE: April 11, 2017

TITLE: Discussion on Fireworks Ordinance

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RECOMMENDATION

That the Planning Commission discuss the terms of Chapter 8.28 regarding Fireworks and approve, or amend the attached letter

DISCUSSION

The City of Desert Hot Springs Municipal Code ("DHSMC") states that "safe and sane" fireworks, as defined by Section 12529 of the California Health and Safety Code, may be sold and discharged within the City of Desert Hot Springs ("City") pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 8.28 of the DHSMC. Pursuant to DHSMC Section 8.28.010(E), it is unlawful to discharge or cause to be discharged within City limits any fireworks not designated by the state as "safe and sane" fireworks, or in violation of any provision of Chapter 8.28 of the DHSMC. The DHSMC also provides several other clauses pertaining to the use of safe and sane fireworks.

The Planning Commission would like to outline its concerns regarding fireworks in general, and memorialize its concerns to City Council.

EXHIBIT(S)

Exhibit No 1 – Draft Letter to Council (Regarding Fireworks Ordinance)