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The proposed fireworks ordinance (see attached) provides a clear example of the disrespect the voting majority of city council has for the residents of the city of Costa Mesa.

The proposal to extend the time period (7/1-7/4) that fireworks can be discharged in our city is detrimental to the residents of the city of Costa Mesa for the following reasons:

1. Costly for public safety— overtime costs (higher costs for city)- see attachment for detailed list of adverse impact on the city
3. Bad for the pets of our city (loud sounds cause stress to our dogs and cats)—also potential outsource of Animal control will result in lost animals will being sent to the county shelter
4. Bad air quality, many residents have no air-conditioning and have to open windows to get cool air in their homes. (Sulfur is thick in the air on 4<sup>th</sup> of July)
5. Bad elements come to Costa Mesa to discharge fireworks. Now we have less police officers.
6. Dirty streets.
7. More traffic
8. Cars parked outside get covered in soot from fireworks.

Why should we have to leave our city during the 4<sup>th</sup> of July to get away from the bad air quality and chaos in the streets? Now you are proposing to have thick smoke for days on end. The 4<sup>th</sup> of July is Independence Day (one day) not several .

Please do not extend the period of time that fireworks can be discharged in our city.

Julie Allione

Resident of the City of Costa Mesa