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City Manager's Report
August 29, 2023 City Council Meeting
Prepared By: Pierre Rivas, Development Services Director
Item#: 5.1

Subject: Consideration of a fireworks display scheduled for September 3, 2023.

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution approving a public fireworks display at the El Dorado County Fairgrounds on Sunday, September 3, 2023.

Purpose: To consider and authorize a public fireworks display on Sunday, September 3, 2023, at the El Dorado County Fairgrounds in the City of Placerville.

Background: Devastating Pyrotechnics Inc. holds a Fireworks License for CalFire (License Number GPD-1337) for public display of fireworks. Devastating Pyrotechnics has met the required Special Permit process through El Dorado County Fire District.

Discussion: City Code Title 3, Chapter 6 states:

The sale or discharge of firecrackers, salutes and other explosive articles of similar nature within the city is hereby prohibited and it shall be unlawful for any person to sell, offer for sale or discharge any firecrackers, sparklers, roman candles and other explosive articles of similar nature within the city. Exception: The provisions of this section shall not apply to any person engaged in the preparation for or performance of a public fireworks display authorized by written order of the city council in advance, in full compliance with the conditions or restrictions contained in such order.

The El Dorado County Fire District will be responsible for issuing the permit and placing any conditions on the permit. Either the Fire District, or the Placerville Police Department have the authority to cancel the display, should conditions or other circumstances warrant. The attached resolution grants permission for the display.

Options:

1. Adopt the resolution authorizing the fireworks display as requested.
2. Adopt the resolution authorizing the fireworks display with conditions.
3. Do not approve the fireworks display.

Cost: There will be no cost to the City for this action.

Budget Impact: None.

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution approving a Fireworks Display at the Placerville Fairgrounds on September 3, 2023.

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Attachments: 1. Resolution 2. Letter from El Dorado County Fire District