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DATE: January 23, 2020

DEPARTMENT: Community Development

AGENDA TITLE:

Discussion of Ordinance No. 2020-2; Amending Article 13-3 Fireworks to Comply with the Changes to ARS §36-1606

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

In 2019 The Arizona Legislature added several new holidays to the statutes governing the legal sale and use of consumer fireworks. The additional holidays include Cinco De Mayo and the Hindu holiday of Diwali. Since the Cinco De Mayo falls on the same date every year, the sale of consumer fireworks is allowed from April 25th thru May 6th with the legal useable dates of May 4th thru May 6th. The dates for Diwali, on the other hand, can fluctuate and as such the sale of consumer fireworks is allowed from three days before the holiday thru the third day of the holiday. The legal use is allowed on the second and third days of Diwali.

Currently the Town Code only allows the sale and use of consumer fireworks around the 4th of July and the Christmas/New Years Holiday season. The sales of consumer fireworks are allowed from May 20th thru July 6th and Dec 10th thru January 3rd. Their use currently is allowed from June 24th thru July 6th and Dec 24th thru Jan 3rd.

The proposed changes to the Town Code will remove the specific dates during which the sale and use of consumer fireworks is allowed and, in its place, will be the requirement that their sale and use is prohibited except during those dates that are specifically allowed by ARS §36-1606. This code changes provides for the town to be consistent with the State as well as surrounding agencies and not have to update the Town Code if the State Legislature further amends dates in the future.

BUDGETARY IMPACT:

None

ATTACHMENT(S):

A - Revised portions of Town Code Article 13-3

B - PowerPoint Presentation