



CITY OF NOVI CITY COUNCIL
MAY 5, 2025

SUBJECT: **FIRST READING** of the consideration for an Ordinance Amendment amending Section 22-112, "Fireworks"

SUBMITTING DEPARTMENT: City Clerk

KEY HIGHLIGHTS:

- This would establish an ordinance permitting process for commercial fireworks displays.
- The number of permits would be limited to two (2) per calendar year per entity.
- This would establish a fee for commercial fireworks permit applications.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Over the years, the City Clerk's Office received requests from various entities to hold commercial fireworks displays. Since the Code of Ordinances did not contain a permitting process for commercial fireworks displays, staff would request the following documentation for review: State of Michigan Firework Permit forms, a map depicting where the fireworks would be launched from and the fallout zone, and proof of insurance. The Fire Department would review the documentation, visit the launch location, and have discussions with the person or fireworks display operator prior to authorizing the event. Due to increased requests for fireworks displays and a need to ensure public safety, health, and welfare, staff determined it was in the City's best interest to establish a Commercial Fireworks Permit Application process within the Code of Ordinances.

The Ordinance Review Committee met on several occasions to review draft language, culminating in a process outlining a permit application, addressing the number of permits allowed to be issued within a calendar year, and establishing a fee. At its meeting on April 21, 2025, the committee referred the matter to the City Council for consideration.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approval of Ordinance Amendment 25-160.04 to amend Section 22-112, "Fireworks", to add requirements for Commercial Fireworks Permits.
FIRST READING