

Delegation Request

- **Name**
Aleem Kanji
- **Enter the date of the meeting you wish to present to council**
Aug 10 - Item 14.i.1
- **Which is your preference for attending the meeting.**
Virtually
- **Will there be anyone other than yourself addressing Council?**
No
- **Use the space below to clearly outline your purpose for presenting to council. Provide a brief outline of your subject matter including your suggested outcome.**
Dear Mayor and Members of Council,

On behalf of our 3,000 members including many in your city, it is deeply troubling to read in the media about a fireworks ban imposed in Woodstock without any consultation amongst anyone in the very legal and federally regulated industry.

The lack of public consultation is very concerning and whilst it would have been ideal to input into your staff report and share our concerns on a prohibition and why it will not work, I would still welcome an opportunity to meet and discuss your new proposed ban and provide input into your forthcoming new by-law.

Public consultation is needed in order to understand why a ban won't work. Our position is that the strongest form of compliance is education and we are committed to working with city officials in this respect.

In the meantime, I encourage you to read our position papers on:

Fireworks prohibition and bans:

<https://www.nationalfireworks.ca/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/CNFA-Position-Paper-on-the-Banning-of-Fireworks.pdf>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bcwFotS1Uhs&t=21s>

Fireworks and animals:

<https://www.nationalfireworks.ca/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/Position-Paper-on-the-fireworks-and-the-environment-and-animals.pdf>

Silent fireworks:

<https://www.nationalfireworks.ca/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/Classes-of-Fireworks-Dispelling-the-myth-of-silent-fireworks.pdf>

- **Will you be providing any additional written information in addition to your summary above? If YES please note it must be provided to the Clerks department no later than 2:00pm on the Tuesday prior to the meeting**

No

- **Will you be providing any additional electronic information in addition to documents you will be attaching? If YES please note it must be provided to the Clerks department no later than 2:00pm on the Tuesday prior to the meeting**

No

- **Have you appeared before council to discuss the same topic in the past?**

No