



CITY COUNCIL ACTION REPORT

January 19, 2011

TO: John Szerlag, City Manager

FROM: William Nelson, Fire Chief
David Roberts, Fire Marshal

SUBJECT: Mon Jin Lau Annual Fireworks Use Request

Background:

- Mon Jin Lau has requested permission to use firecrackers at its annual Lion Dance to celebrate Chinese New Year on February 8th, 2011.
- There appear to be no changes from last year's event.
- City Council has approved this request in the past.

Financial Considerations:

Mon Jin Lau has been instructed to submit a fireworks permit application to the fire department along with the \$125.00 fee as required by ordinance.

Legal Considerations:

- Troy City Code Chapter 93, Fire Prevention, Section 105.6.14.1, requires an operational permit for the public display of fireworks.
- Troy City Code Chapter 93, Fire Prevention, Section 3301.1.3, prohibits the use of fireworks unless in compliance with the Michigan Fireworks Law.
- Michigan's Fireworks Law requires that any person or group that would like to conduct a fireworks display must apply to the local unit of government for a permit. The law defines local unit of government as the council or commission of a city or village, or the township board of a township.
- The use of firecrackers at this public event is considered to be a public display.

Policy Considerations:

The permitting process is consistent with City Council's goal of enhancing the safety of the community.

Options:

Approve or deny the request.