



CITY OF SANTA FE

Memorandum

Date: December 3, 2024

To: Finance Committee and Governing Body

From: Geronimo Griego, Santa Fe Fire Marshal GGG

Via: Brian Moya, Santa Fe Fire Chief BM

RE: Permitting Fireworks for Public Display New Years Eve, December 31, 2024

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

If adopted, the proposed resolution would provide Governing Body approval for a public fireworks display during the New Year's Eve event on the evening of December 31, 2024, through January 1, 2025, pursuant to SFCC 1987, Section 12-3.3. In the event that there are unused fireworks, the resolution would also allow for the discharge of any armed fireworks on January 1, 2025, in accordance with safety procedures from the Fire Marshal or Fire Marshal's designee.

Section 12-3.3 of SFCC 1987 requires that a permit for the public display of fireworks "be granted on application to the fire department, approval by the Governing Body and the filing of a bond by the applicant as herein provided." The ordinance goes on to say that the City of Santa Fe ("City") is not required to file a bond, and the applicant is in this case acting on behalf of the City. The resolution specifies that the public display of fireworks within the city limits will comply with Section 12-3 "Fireworks", including the stipulations outlined in Section 12-3.9 concerning the restrictions "during severe or greater drought conditions, pursuant to Section 60-2C8.1 NMSA 1978."

Applications for public fireworks display undergo review by the City Fire Department via the office of the Fire Marshal. As such, the Fire Marshal reviewed the application packet for the New Year's Eve fireworks event, to be held the evening of December 31, 2024, that is planned to be staged at the La Fonda Hotel. Upon this review, it has been determined that the application is complete and includes appropriate safety measures. If the resolution is approved, the event will include a dedicated City of Santa Fe Fire Department stand-by.

ATTACHMENTS:

Resolution
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Memo Attachment: Application Packet_Santa Fe New Year's Eve 2024