

To the City Clerk's Office and the Chair of the Community Protective Services Committee,

We were very disappointed to read the City's Fireworks report that has been submitted to the Protective Services Committee.

Like 40% of the citizens of London, we dread any holiday in which citizens are permitted to discharge fireworks.

The noise is unbearable, especially for our pet dog. She is so terrified by the noise she will not come out of the house for a week or so after an evening of fireworks.

We also feel for citizens of London who have taken refuge in Canada having escaped war and violence. It is sad to know that the staff report overlooks the needs of these members of our community and does nothing to prevent them from being unnecessarily retraumatized by the noise of fireworks.

We urge you to send the report back to city staff for revision. London deserves a policy on fireworks that is more enlightened and inclusive than what is recommended in the Fireworks report.

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