

City Council Regular Meeting

April 18, 2024



Public Comment Packet

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2-U (ID 24-500) ***RESOLUTION - Declaring Outdoor Warming Fires to be a Health and Safety Hazard and a Public Nuisance and Direct the City Manager to Cause Them to be Extinguished (Subject to Mayor's Veto).

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Dan Waterhouse submitted a new eComment.

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eComment: I am opposed. The warming centers were open three times this past winter so it's untrue they are an alternative to safely contained cooking and warming fires. Your fire chief disagrees with this proposal and he's the subject matter expert.

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The "Outdoor Warming Fire Resolution" is an unnecessary action to make life harder for our city's unhoused population. It's disingenuous to claim that warming centers open just a few nights a year can substitute for the fires people need to cook and stay warm. The air pollution created by these fires is no greater than that from the barbecues and permitted fires the rest of us continue to enjoy. Please leave law enforcement out of this issue.

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Item 2-U is a cruel and unnecessary act of overreach to assure certain members of our community are denied the right to live by trying to take away their access to warmth and cooked food. The "concerns" this resolution addresses are frivolous and the consequences of its passing will be real human lives lost and blood on people's hands.

This time should instead be used to open more warming centers and keep them open for longer. Until that happens, this resolution will do nothing but kill.

- Fresno citizen Isaac Saenz