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Summary: The Sylmar Neighborhood Council (SNC) supports Los Angeles City Council Motion 17-1421 and asks that the establishment of an Illegal Fireworks Task Force be prioritized. Though all fireworks are illegal in the City of Los Angeles, their use continues to grow.

While there tends to be an increase in the use of illegal fireworks around the Independence Day and New Year's Eve holidays, the use of illegal fireworks has become a year-round activity, especially in areas of the northeast San Fernando Valley. These fireworks are often a source of great disruption and upset to the general public, traumatize wildlife and pets, and can be a significant concern for our veterans. The use of illegal fireworks can also result in fires, such as the two fires that recently occurred in Sylmar on February 15, 2018. Sylmar is at great risk for fires, is prone to extremely high winds, and has experienced several significant wildfires over the past few years (Marek, Sayre & Creek wildfires).