Business Unit	Position
Calgary Parks	<u>General comments</u> • Calgary Parks has a permit process in place for groups who wish to use fireworks in City parks as per Sections 9(1)(f) and 9(2) of the Parks and Pathways Bylaw (11M2019) • There have been minimal Director Authorization requests for use of fireworks in City parks with approximately 1-5 per year over the last 5 years. These are mainly Community Association requests (the number does not include major events that are approved through the Interdepartmental Events Team process) • During the engagement process for the revised Parks and Pathways Bylaw (May 2018), there were no comments specific to the use of fireworks in parks (there were specific comments on and support for fire pits and fire spinning) • Research for the new Parks and Pathways Bylaw indicated that all reviewed jurisdictions have restrictions on fireworks in parks <u>Considerations/Impacts</u> • Expanding the use of fireworks in parks could impact public safety, and citizen access to and enjoyment of public parks due to safety restrictions and noise • Other risks include risk of fire, damage to assets, impacts to wildlife/birds and an increase in litter/debris • Adjustments to the existing permit process may require a bylaw amendment • Potential resource impacts could include bylaw amendment work, and, need for additional monitoring/enforcement by CFD, CCS,CPS and Parks operational staff
Calgary Recreation	• Consumer fireworks are not appropriate for use in Calgary Recreation spaces as fireworks use could conflict with other users of the space (e.g. teams, families) • During the summer months, Recreation spaces are already in high demand from community groups, meaning they would be unavailable for use by those wishing to set off fireworks with enough space for safe use • High risk to adjacent roads and properties from improper use
Calgary Community Standards	Bylaw Services • No concerns with enforcement of a potential bylaw allowing consumer fireworks use if there was a permitting process in place through CFD Open4Business team • Have not heard from the business community that there is a desire to sell fireworks