

**Lisa Clausen**

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**Subject:** Re: Fireworks at Mormon Church, 177th Place South, Burien

Mr. Leistina,

Thank you for your e-mail dated July 9<sup>th</sup> 2011 stating your concerns regarding the fireworks activity at the Mormon Church.

In your e-mail you reference Sgt. McLauchlan contacting the church and working with the police department in insuring that Fireworks were not an issue. Sgt. McLauchlan assured me that the contact with the church was very positive and they would be very proactive in making sure this was not an issue. Obviously, from your description, someone at the church dropped the "ball". I have asked Sgt. McLauchlan to re-contact the church and work with them so this type of behavior doesn't repeat in the future.

If you have any further concerns or issues that the Police Department can assist you with, please feel free to contact Sgt. McLauchlan at 206-296-3351.

Chief Scott Kimerer

*K. Scott Kimerer  
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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Lisa Clausen <LisaC@burienwa.gov>  
**Date:** July 11, 2011 10:38:59 AM PDT  
**To:** Hans Leistina <hans\_leistina@yahoo.com>, "Kimerer, Scott" <Scott.Kimerer@kingcounty.gov>, "Sgt. Henry McLauchlan" <henry.mclauchlan@kingcounty.gov>  
**Cc:** Cindy Andrus <cindakdev@aol.com>, Public Council Inbox <council@burienwa.gov>  
**Subject: RE: Fireworks at Mormon Church, 177th Place South, Burien**

Mr. Leistina,

Thank you for your correspondence and for clarifying that you wish for it to be provided to the Burien City Council. It will be provided to the Council and appropriate City staff, and included in the Correspondence for the Record for an upcoming Council meeting.

Lisa Clausen  
City Manager's Office

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**From:** Hans Leistina [mailto:hans\_leistina@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, July 09, 2011 7:39 AM  
**To:** Scott Kimerer (Burien PD); Lisa Clausen; Sgt. Henry McLauchlan  
**Cc:** Cindy Andrus  
**Subject:** Fw: Fireworks at Mormon Church, 177th Place South, Burien

**Last January, Sgt. Henry McLauchlan met with an Elder of subject**

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**Mormon Church. The Sgt. was assured that the Church would provide security on**

**July 4th and ensure that their Parking Lot was not used for illegal fireworks. In prior years the Church has failed to control the illegal activity on their property.**

**(The Church Elders have been aware for several years that this has been going on.)**

**Well, all our efforts have failed - last July 4th, the fireworks activity was the worst ever.**

**This illegal activity is so bad and so blatant that it is my personal opinion that the Church is actually sponsoring the activity - since they are consciously making their large parking lot available.**

**Does the City of Burien have any**

**recourse against organizations who wilfully violate the fireworks ordinance?**

**Hans Leistina**

**Unit D-35**

**17431 Ambaum Blvd. South.**

**Burien, WA 98148**

--- On Thu, 1/13/11, Kimerer, Scott <[Scott.Kimerer@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Scott.Kimerer@kingcounty.gov)> wrote:

From: Kimerer, Scott <[Scott.Kimerer@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Scott.Kimerer@kingcounty.gov)>

Subject: Fireworks

To: "[hans\\_leistina@yahoo.com](mailto:hans_leistina@yahoo.com)" <[hans\\_leistina@yahoo.com](mailto:hans_leistina@yahoo.com)>

Cc: "Lisa Clausen" <[LisaC@burienwa.gov](mailto:LisaC@burienwa.gov)>, "McLauchlan, Henry" <[Henry.McLauchlan@kingcounty.gov](mailto:Henry.McLauchlan@kingcounty.gov)>

Date: Thursday, January 13, 2011, 12:41 PM

Mr. Lesitina,

Thank you for the concerns you expressed in your e-mail dated January 1, 2011 reference the fireworks issues

at the Mormon Church and helicopter noise / suggested response on New Years and the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

As you discussed with Sgt. McLauchlan, he will contact the Mormon Church next to your residence and see what can be done about the folks who gather in the church parking lot to light fireworks on New Years and the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Both you and Sgt. McLauchlan recognize that these events are not sponsored by the Mormon Church. Hopefully, Sgt. McLauchlan will be able to find cooperation and a solution by working with and communicating your concerns to the church leadership.

Reference your thoughts on deploying the Police helicopter on these two holidays, Sgt. McLauchlan explained that he would talk to the KCSO Air Support Unit and see what could be done.

I believe that in taking these actions we have effectively addressed your concerns. Please feel free to contact myself or Sgt. McLauchlan if you have any other issues or concerns in the future.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

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