



Safe Gun Storage

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AGENDA/OVERVIEW

- Origin of proposed ordinance
- What problem does the ordinance seek to address?
- What does the ordinance do?
- Options

- The history of this proposal
 - 2019 Mothers Demand Action (MDA) requests that Council consider adopting an ordinance that requires gun owners to safely store their guns
 - Council directs staff to study the issue and return for Council direction
 - July 20: Staff reports back that Council has the legal ability to enact the proposed ordinance and Council directs staff to prepare the ordinance and bring back for Council approval

- What problem does the ordinance seek to address?
 - MDA provided statistics on loss of life and injuries sustained as a result of guns accessible to children
 - MDA advocates for the adoption of an ordinance that would require the safe storage of guns when they are not being used
 - State law requires that locks be provided to gun purchasers but does not require that they be used

- What does the ordinance do?
 - The proposed ordinance would require guns to be stored safely
 - Safe storage is:
 - Unloaded and in a locked container, or
 - Unloaded and affixed with a locking device
- Violations may be enforced as any violation of the Municipal Code

- Options?
 - Do nothing
 - Introduce ordinance as presented
 - Introduce ordinance with modifications the Council deems appropriate

Thank You

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