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From: Lori Adams [mailto: [REDACTED]]
Sent: Monday, October 9, 2023 2:31 PM
To: Public Comment <publiccomment@cityofsierramadre.com>
Subject: For City council meeting 10/10 re bears

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To the Sierra Madre City Council,

My husband and I have lived in Sierra Madre for the last 15 years. We are concerned about the escalating bear encounters/home break-ins by bears. We have 2 elementary school aged children. They cannot play outside without adult supervision, even in our own yard, without fear of bear or other animal encounters. I warn them daily as we leave the house, to scan for wild animals before running out to the car. I walk routinely in this city and am constantly looking out for wild animals. We are not comfortable leaving our windows open, even when present in that room. Our neighbor has had a bear break in while she was home, twice already. These bear encounters are now anytime of day and in any location and getting more aggressive.

We also love animals and visit zoos often. Bears becoming habituated to people and eating from the trash, is not good for the bears either. It seems that these bears could be taken to zoos or animal sanctuaries before it is necessary to euthanize them in order to protect humans.

It seems that the city government's first priority should be that of the safety of its human citizens. The bear proof cans city wide, we believe will just increase aggression by hungry, habituated-to-people bears. We implore the city council to take action to protect its human citizens. We hope it will not take a tragedy - a mauling or killing of a human - for the city to act.

The city knows these bear issues and must take action. Please do your duty to protect the human population in which you serve.

Thank you for your time,

Lori Adams
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Sierra Madre

Sent from my iPad