

**TOWN OF BLACK MOUNTAIN BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION**

**Meeting Date:** December 13, 2010

**SUBJECT:** Bear Smart Community Update

**AGENDA INFORMATION**

**Agenda Location:** Unfinished Business  
**Item Number:** 8-C  
**Department:** Public Services Department  
**Contact:** Mark Combs, Public Services Director  
Pam Hoen, Senior Administrative Assistant  
**Presenter:** Mark Combs, Public Services Director

**BRIEF SUMMARY:** On October 4, 2010, the Board of Aldermen directed staff to investigate refuse controls to discourage bear activities in Town neighborhoods, (specifically focusing on converting all Town-controlled refuse containers to bear-proof receptacles), and to integrate community education and programming for residents (consistent with recommendations by presenters and successful programs across the nation). The attached report represents staff progress and recommendations to date.

**MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION:** No action requested at this time

**FUNDING SOURCE:** N/A

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- Staff Update – Bear-proof refuse control
- Bear Smart Community – Community education plan & Educator bio

**MANAGER’S COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:** N/A