

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

Meeting Date: September 13, 2010

SUBJECT: Consideration of an Ordinance to Prohibit Feeding of Bears

AGENDA INFORMATION

Agenda Location: New Business
Item Number: 6-C
Department: Planning & Development Services
Contact: Elizabeth Teague, Planning & Development Services Director
Presenters: Elizabeth Teague, Planning & Development Services Director

BRIEF SUMMARY:

Attached for your consideration is a draft ordinance that provides regulations and enforcement procedures to prohibit the feeding of bears within Town limits.

MOTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION: To adopt Ordinance # O-10-05, as presented [or as amended].

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A, unless the Board opts to pursue mandatory changes in sanitation storage and collection procedures, or unless increased enforcement results in unforeseen increases in operating costs

ATTACHMENTS: Draft Ordinance #O-10-05

MANAGER'S COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

The attached draft ordinance is the staff's initial effort to respond to the discussions that arose during the July and August meetings of the Board of Aldermen from both members of the public and Alderman Sobol regarding problem bears in Black Mountain. The draft ordinance is very limited in scope (deals strictly with prohibiting the feeding of bears), and does not address all the individual interests expressed to date. The board may wish to discuss the ramifications of enforcement and consider multiple proposals before taking action.