

If you asked me to step into the lion enclosure at the zoo, I would definitely ~~know~~ <sup>recognize</sup> peril or danger even though neither I nor anyone I know has previously been ~~eaten~~ <sup>attacked</sup> by a Lion

Of all of the potential concurrent uses that can be made of the harbor,

- rec. boating,
- kayaking,
- swimming,
- fishing,
- beach combing,
- bird watching,
- trail hiking,
- picnicking, and
- shooting,
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- the only one which **cannot be carried** out safely **concurrently** with the others is shooting. All others can safely co-exist.

The legislatures trusted the good sense and judgment of this Council to proactively protect the public safety **without requiring data** of past accidents, injuries or close calls

*hold up paper.*

I ran a case law search of these Sections and found no cases, but a Google search did turn up only one No Shooting Ordinance of This very Council from 1994, including the petition filed to request it. <sup>relevant reported</sup> *in Baker Lake.*

As far as I can determine, the only "data" submitted in support of the application was a statement in the Petition itself...

"The reasons that the property owners request that a no shooting zone be formed is that:

-the stated properties are currently used by the public for recreation such as camping, fishing, and swimming. Much of the area already has private rules stating no shooting. An ordinance will give the Whatcom County Sherrif Dept. a tool to be able to help enforce such a rule."

Sounds pretty relevant to me., and it was passed by this Council only 14 days after the Petition by a vote of **6 in favor** and only one opposed.

*Finally,*

The City of Blaine Council, and Police Department have trusted that you are very competent to do your job, and you should also have confidence that they are competent to do theirs in having a basis to ask you to protect the community in the interests of **public safety** which should always **take priority over all else.**

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