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TINLEY PARK-PARK DISTRICT ANNOUNCES ITS INTENT TO CANCEL ANNUAL FOURTH OF JULY EVENTS

The Tinley Park-Park District today announced that it will cancel its annual Fourth of July events, including the firework show, in light of the Village of Tinley Park's recent decision to create duplicate events and a firework show the day prior on July 3rd, 2023.

At its board meeting Tuesday, the Village voted to create a new firework show on July 3rd, despite the Park District's longstanding firework show on July 4th at McCarthy Park. For over 40 years, the Park District has hosted this event, which the community has come to expect and enjoy.

The Village's decision forced the Park District to make the difficult decision to cancel its event in order to save taxpayer dollars instead of paying for two duplicate firework shows. The Park District extends its deepest gratitude to the Tinley Park community for supporting the July 4th event for so many years.

Questions about the new July 3rd event can be directed to the Village of Tinley Park.