

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TO ALLOW FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF ALLOWABLE PROCEEDS RESULTING FROM JOINT INVESTIGATIONS BETWEEN THE GLADSTONE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES.**

**WHEREAS**, the Gladstone Police Department occasionally works investigations jointly with federal law enforcement agencies; and

**WHEREAS**, certain investigations may result in the seizure of assets as part of the investigation; and


**WHEREAS**, the Gladstone Police Department is entitled to sharing in the proceeds of those investigations; and

**WHEREAS**, the United States Department of Justice requires application and acceptance into the Equitable Sharing Program requiring certain guidelines to be met.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GLADSTONE, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:**

**THAT**, the City Manager of the City of Gladstone, Missouri, is hereby authorized to enter into the Equitable Sharing Agreement with the United States Department of Justice allowing the Gladstone Police Department to receive shared proceeds from joint or cooperative investigations.

**INTRODUCED, READ, PASSED, AND ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GLADSTONE, MISSOURI, THIS 8TH DAY OF DECEMBER 2025.**

  
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Mayor Les Smith

ATTEST:

  
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Kris Keller, City Clerk

1st Reading: December 8, 2025

2nd Reading: December 8, 2025



## *Request for Council Action*

RES ☐ # City Clerk Only

BILL ☒ # 25-33

ORD ☒ # 4.717

Date: 11/18/2025

Department: Police

Meeting Date Requested: 12/8/2025

Public Hearing: Yes ☐ Date: [Click here to enter a date.](#)

Subject: An Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to enter into an Agreement with the Department of Justice to participate in the Federal Equitable Sharing Program.

Background: On occasion, the Police Department refers cases or works in conjunction with federal law enforcement agencies on joint investigations. In some instances, those cases result in funds being seized or courts assessing fines that participating agencies are entitled, by law, to a portion of. To receive allowable funds, the Police Department must submit a request to the Department of Justice to participate in the Equitable Sharing Program. When a case is disposed of in the court system and funds are awarded, they would be sent directly to the City of Gladstone to be used for police training or equipment.

Budget Discussion: N/A

Public/Board/Staff Input: Staff recommends approval of the proposed Ordinance.

Provide Original Contracts, Leases, Agreements, etc. to: City Clerk and Vendor.

Fred Farris  
Police Chief

CW  
City Attorney

Bob Baer  
City Manager