

RESOLUTION NO. R-20-46

A RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE RESIDENTS OF GLADSTONE TO BECOME INFORMED ON THE PROPOSED CLAY COUNTY, MISSOURI, CONSTITUTION AND TO VOTE ON NOVEMBER 3, 2020.

WHEREAS, Clay County is one of the largest first-class counties in the State of Missouri; and

WHEREAS, Clay County presently has a commission-style, non-charter form of government; and

WHEREAS, a chartered form of government would allow Clay County to define its own structure and system of governance, subject to general compliance to State law; and

WHEREAS, Clay County Circuit Court judges appointed a 14-member, bi-partisan Constitutional Charter Committee made up of citizens of Clay County, who were authorized and directed to convene in order to solicit public input and draft a constitutional charter; and

WHEREAS, the Clay County Constitutional Charter Committee deliberated publicly for eight weeks to gather citizen input and to draft the proposed Constitution that has been submitted to the Clay County Election Board to be included on the November 3, 2020 General Election ballot; and

WHEREAS, the Gladstone City Council commends the members of the Clay County Constitutional Charter Committee for their determination, dedication, and cooperative spirit in drafting a viable option for Clay County government.


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

THAT, the City Council hereby publicly encourages all residents to become informed on the proposed Clay County Constitution and to exercise their right to vote in the upcoming election on November 3, 2020.

INTRODUCED, READ, PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GLADSTONE, MISSOURI THIS 28th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2020.


Jean B. Moore, Mayor

ATTEST:


Ruth E. Bocchino, City Clerk



Request for Council Action

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Date: 9/24/2020

Department: General Administration

Meeting Date Requested: 9/28/2020

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

Subject: A Resolution encouraging residents to become informed on the proposed Clay County Constitution and to exercise their right to vote in the November 03, 2020 General Election.

Background: In response to Clay County voters on June 2, 2020, Missouri 7th Judicial Circuit Court Judges completed a selection process and appointed a 14-member, bi-partisan Constitutional Charter Commission tasked with the responsibility to gather citizen input and design a county charter to be submitted to the voters as required by state statutes and the Missouri Constitution. The Constitutional Charter Committee completed the proposed Constitution after approximately eight (8) weeks of public deliberation and it is now scheduled to appear on the ballot in the November 3, 2020 General Election. Due to Section 115.646 RSMo of the Missouri State Statutes, which prohibits the use of public funds to support a ballot measure, this Resolution can only encourage residents to educate themselves on the proposed Clay County Charter and vote on November 3, 2020.

Budget Discussion: Funds are budgeted in the amount of \$ 0 from the N/A Fund. Ongoing costs are estimated to be \$ 0 annually. Previous years' funding was \$0

Public/Board/Staff Input: Staff recommends passage of this Resolution

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

Bob Baer
Department Director/Administrator

JM
City Attorney

SW
City Manager