

RESOLUTION NO. R-25-72

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT WITH MIDWEST MUSIC SUPPLY TO PROVIDE STAGE, LIGHTING, SOUND, AND PROJECTION SCREEN SERVICES FOR THE 2026 INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION.


WHEREAS, the City of Gladstone (the “City”) desires to enter into an agreement with Midwest Music Supply to provide stage, lighting, sound, and projection screen services for the upcoming July 4th, 2026 celebration commemorating the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence; and

WHEREAS, after legal review, City Staff recommends the approval of the Agreement.

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

THAT, the City Manager of the City of Gladstone is hereby authorized to execute the Agreement with Midwest Music Supply to provide stage, lighting, sound, and projection screen services for the 2026 Independence Day celebration.

INTRODUCED, READ, PASSED, AND ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GLADSTONE, MISSOURI, THIS 10TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2025.



Mayor Les Smith

ATTEST:



Kris Keller, City Clerk



Request for Council Action

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BILL ☐ # City Clerk Only

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Date: 10/31/2025

Department: General Administration

Meeting Date Requested: 11/10/2025

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

Subject: A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to sign an Agreement with Midwest Music Supply to provide stage, lighting, sound, and projection screen services for the 2026 Independence Day celebration.

Background: The City of Gladstone is planning a major community celebration to commemorate the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 2026. This event will be held at Happy Rock Park and is envisioned as a large-scale, family-friendly celebration that will include live entertainment, food vendors, and a large fireworks display. The celebration is anticipated to draw significant attendance from both residents and visitors. To ensure a high-quality entertainment experience, the event will include multiple live musical performances that require complex technical support, including professional-grade staging, lighting, sound reinforcement, and projection systems. These services must meet the specific technical demands of professional touring acts and require specialized expertise for design, setup, and operation. The City has been working with Midwest Music Supply, a regional vendor with extensive experience in large public events, to provide consulting services and assistance in booking entertainment acts suitable for this significant celebration. Under the City's Purchasing Policy, the City Council may determine that it is in the best interest of the City to waive the formal Request for Proposals (RFP) or bid process when unique circumstances justify direct negotiation with a qualified vendor. Given the complexity of technical requirements, the need for consistency in production management, and the limited availability of qualified providers during the 2026 FIFA World Cup events occurring concurrently in the Kansas City metropolitan area, staff believes that Midwest Music Supply is uniquely positioned to deliver the necessary production services. For these reasons, staff recommends that the City Council authorize entering into a contract with Midwest Music Supply for entertainment production services for the 2026 Independence Day Celebration. This will ensure the City secures the required professional expertise in a timely manner, maintains quality control over entertainment and technical production, and positions the event for success as a signature community celebration.

Budget Discussion: Funds are budgeted in the amount of \$33,500.00 from the General Fund. Ongoing costs are estimated to be \$0 annually. Previous years' funding was \$0.

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

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

Bob Baer
Department Director/Administrator

JA
City Attorney

BB
City Manager