



DATE: June 2, 2026
TO: Bel Aire City Council
FROM: Ted Henry, City Manger
SUBJECT: Consideration of Fireworks Display Agreement with Waz Up Fireworks

Summary:

To celebrate the upcoming 250th anniversary of the founding of the United States, staff is proposing a community fireworks celebration in Bel Aire on July 11, 2026. The event would be held in conjunction with the City's annual National Night Out celebration, a nationwide initiative focused on strengthening relationships between residents, law enforcement, fire services, and other public safety agencies. The celebration is intended to provide a family-friendly community event while honoring this significant milestone in American history.

Staff has worked with Waz Up Fireworks to develop a proposed fireworks display agreement for a pyromusical fireworks show lasting approximately ten to twelve minutes. The proposed display would include a combination of consumer and professional-grade fireworks synchronized to patriotic music.

The proposed contract amount is \$10,000. Staff's intent is to fund the event primarily through sponsorships, donations, and community support rather than through additional general operating expenditures.

Under the proposed agreement:

- Waz Up Fireworks would provide the fireworks display, operator services, and required liability insurance.
- The City would coordinate the event location, safety perimeter, volunteer support, cleanup assistance, and sound system needs.
- The Sedgwick County Fire Department is anticipated to oversee fire safety operations during the event.