



Board:	City Commission
Agenda	May 12, 2025
Date:	
Department:	Downtown Development Authority
Presenter:	Patricia West

Staff Report

Agenda Item Title:

Social District Maintenance & Management Plan

Background:

October 15, 2024: DDA voted to explore a social district.

January 8, 2025 – January 31, 2025: Community survey conducted.

February 10, 2025: Survey results presented to the City Commission and committee appointed to develop the Maintenance & Management Plan

April 28, 2025: Proposed Social District Maintenance & Management Plan presented to the City Commission, and public hearing set.

Fiscal Effect:

\$10,000 budgeted by the DDA

Supporting Documentation:

Social District Maintenance & Management Plan (Proposed)
Social District Permit Information for Local Governmental Units
Summary of the survey data

Recommendation:

Conduct public hearing to gather public input on the proposed Social District Maintenance & Management Plan.

Approve the resolution 2025-03 establishing the Gladstone Social District. Roll call vote recommended.



Resolution 2025-03

To Establish a Gladstone Social District

WHEREAS, pursuant to MCL 436.1551, the City Commission has the authority to designate Social Districts, wherein two or more licensed establishments contiguous to the designated Commons Areas can sell alcoholic beverages in special cups to be taken into a such Commons Areas for consumption; and

WHEREAS, the Gladstone Social District would be created and managed through a collaboration with the Gladstone Downtown Development Authority; and

WHEREAS, the creation of the Gladstone Social District is intended to assist downtown businesses by attracting customers for enhanced outdoor dining and entertainment experiences in downtown Gladstone; and

WHEREAS, the Gladstone Social District boundaries are detailed in the map attached hereto as Exhibit A;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Gladstone City Commission does hereby approve the creation of the Gladstone Social District as depicted in the attached map (Exhibit A) for consideration by the Michigan Liquor Control Commission.

This resolution will take immediate effect.

Duly adopted by the Gladstone City Commission on May 12, 2025.

Certified to be a true copy on May 12, 2025.

Joe Thompson, Mayor

Kimberly Berry, City Clerk

Exhibit A

City of Gladstone Proposed Social District Map & Qualified Licensees



The City of Gladstone's proposed social district boundary would allow for five existing licensed establishments to participate in the district. It is recognized that this list of eligible establishments may change or grow over time.

**(1) Saunders Point
Brewing**

1000 Delta Ave
Gladstone, MI 49837

**(2) Dew Drop Family
Restaurant**

916 Delta Ave
Gladstone, MI 49837

(3) American Legion

802 Delta Ave
Gladstone, MI 49837

(4) Wally's Bar

917 Delta Ave
Gladstone, MI 49837

(5) MIDD Bar & Lounge

903 Delta Ave
Gladstone, MI 49837