



AGENDA ITEM ANALYSIS

Project/Issue Name: 24-R-04 A Resolution of the City Council Selecting Gateway Pyrotechnical Productions, LLC as the Vendor to Provide the Fireworks Display at the City's Annual Have-A-Blast Patriotic Celebration and Authorizing the City Administrator to Execute an Agreement with Gateway for Such Services.

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Issue Statement

Authorization for execution of a contractual agreement with a professional pyrotechnic company to produce the pyro-musical firework display at the City of Republic's annual Have-A-Blast Patriotic Celebration.

Discussion and/or Analysis

In January 2021, the Republic Parks & Recreation Department issued a formal Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for the purpose of gathering information and qualifications from regional firework display companies and their ability to produce a professional pyrotechnic/pyromusical display at the annual Have-A-Blast Patriotic Celebration. Through that process, Gateway Firework Displays (St. Louis, MO) was selected for 2021 with the option to renew for two (2) additional one (1)-year terms, ending in 2023. Gateway Fireworks was selected for both renewal periods (2022 and 2023).

In January 2024, we issued a new formal RFQ for the same purpose – to gather information and qualifications from regional firework display companies for consideration. The RFQ document included language to support selection of a vendor for 2024, with the option to renew for two (2) additional one (1)-year terms, ending in 2026.

We received submittals from three (3) companies: ARC Pyrotechnics (Guthrie, OK), Gateway Fireworks Displays (St. Louis, MO), and Rainbow Fireworks (Inman, OK). After scoring each submittal, Gateway Firework Displays has been selected as the preferred vendor due to overall professionalism of the submittal, company history and qualifications, thoroughness of the submittal, and prior work experience with the company.

The contract amount shall not exceed \$34,000.00 for 2024 or \$38,000.00 for any subsequent renewal in 2025 or 2026.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends approval.