



Department Source: Economic Development

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: September 19, 2016

Re: Authorizing an agreement with Memorial Day Weekend- Salute to Veterans Corporation for an air show at Columbia Regional Airport to be held on Memorial Day weekend in 2017.

Executive Summary

Staff has prepared for Council consideration an agreement with Memorial Day Weekend - Salute To Veterans Corporation for an air show at Columbia Regional Airport to be held on Memorial Day weekend in 2017. The agreement is substantially the same as agreements entered into with the organization for previous air shows.

Discussion

The proposed agreement would allow the Memorial Day Weekend – Salute to Veterans Corporation to use a designated portion of the Columbia Regional Airport from May 24 through May 29, 2017, for the aerobatic and static display of aircraft and related exhibits, a static antique automobile show, food sales and entertainment events. The organization is responsible for coordinating security, parking, concessions, clean-up and trash disposal. The agreement states that the Corporation will abide by the judgment of the District Court in the Wickersham case and that the Columbia Police Department will not enforce any rules imposed by the Corporation limiting expressive activities.

The resolution authorizing the agreement also authorizes a parachute jump onto Broadway and authorizes the city manager to provide support services for the organization's Memorial Day activities within the constraints of the budget and taking into consideration the limited resources and operational duties of the various City departments.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: Minimal

Long-Term Impact: None

Vision & Strategic Plan Impact

[Vision Impacts:](#) Community Pride and Human Relations.

[Strategic Plan Impacts:](#) Not Applicable

[Comprehensive Plan Impact:](#) Not Applicable



Legislative History

Use of the Airport for this event began in 1990 with a simple static display of aircraft. Since then, this event has grown significantly with over 3000 volunteers and a planning process that takes a 12-month effort in order to secure display teams such as the Blue Angels in 1993, and most recently the Canadian Snowbirds in 2014 and 2015 and The SkyHawks and Golden Knights in 2016.

Resolutions approving agreements for the use of the Airport for this event from 2009 through 2016 are shown below.

Date	Action
7/20/2009	R162-09 Agreement to allow Memorial Day Weekend - Salute to Veterans Corporation to conduct air shows at the Columbia Regional Airport.
5/03/2010	R88-10 Authorizing an air show to be held at Columbia Regional Airport May 26-31, 2010; authorizing support services to the Memorial Day activities planned by that organization; and authorizing a parachute jump onto Broadway.
2/07/2011	R15-11 Authorizing an agreement with the Memorial Day Weekend - Salute to Veterans Corporation for an air show to be held at Columbia Regional Airport May 25-31, 2011.
1/17/2012	R8-12 Authorizing an agreement with the Memorial Day Weekend - Salute to Veterans Corporation for an air show to be held at Columbia Regional Airport May 23-29, 2012.
12/3/2012	R220-12 Authorizing an agreement with the Memorial Day Weekend - Salute to Veterans Corporation for an air show to be held at Columbia Regional Airport May 22-27, 2013.
8/05/2013	R147-13 Authorizing an agreement with the Memorial Day Weekend - Salute to Veterans Corporation for an air show to be held at Columbia Regional Airport May 21-26, 2014; authorizing a parachute jump onto Broadway.



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7/21/2014	R126-14 Authorizing an agreement with the Memorial Day Weekend - Salute to Veterans Corporation for an air show at Columbia Regional Airport May 20-25, 2015.
8/17/2015	R132-15 Authorizing an agreement with the Memorial Day Weekend - Salute to Veterans Corporation for an air show at Columbia Regional Airport May 25-30, 2016.

Suggested Council Action

Passage of the Resolution