

Department Source: Parks and Recreation

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: February 2, 2026

Re: 2026 Tons of Trucks Event Agreement with Columbia Mall, LLC

Impacted Ward: Citywide

Executive Summary

The Parks and Recreation Department is requesting a resolution to authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with Columbia Mall, LLC to hold the Tons of Trucks event in the Columbia Mall parking lot on May 27, 2026. There is no fee associated with the agreement.

Discussion

The Parks and Recreation Department has been hosting the Tons of Trucks event annually at the Columbia Mall parking lot since 2014. The 2026 event is scheduled to occur on May 27. The agreement with Columbia Mall, LLC is substantially the same as in previous years. There is no fee associated with the agreement.

The agreement outlines the responsibilities of the organizer (City of Columbia) and the owner (Columbia Mall, LLC). Columbia Mall will rope off the area for the event; provide a mall sweeper truck; security officer and security vehicle; and tables, chairs and trash cans for food trucks. The Parks and Recreation Department will provide additional trash cans, the vehicles on display, event management, and marketing for the event that includes the Columbia Mall logo or name.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: There is no cost associated with the agreement and use of the Columbia Mall parking lot for the event.

Long-Term Impact: None

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not Applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Legislative History

Date	Action
5/19/2025	R69-25: Authorizing an agreement with Columbia Mall L.L.C. for the 2025 "Tons of Trucks" event. R69-25
3/4/2024	R48-24: Authorizing an agreement with Columbia Mall L.L.C. for the 2024 "Tons of Trucks" event. R48-24
2/20/2023	Resolution 23-23: Authorizing an agreement with Columbia Mall LLC for the 2023 "Tons of Trucks" event. R23-23
5/16/2022	Resolution 71-22: Authorizing an agreement with Columbia Mall LLC for the 2022 "Tons of Trucks" event. R71-22
5/17/2021	Resolution 77-21: Authorizing an agreement with Columbia Mall LLC for the 2021 "Tons of Trucks" event. R77-21
4/01/2019	Resolution 46-19: Authorizing a cooperative agreement with Columbia Mall, LLC to hold the Tons of Truck event. R46-19

Suggested Council Action

Approve the resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement with Columbia Mall, LLC to hold the 2026 Tons of Trucks event at the Columbia Mall parking lot.