

AGENDA ITEM

July 11, 2017

Subject: Vernon County Historical Society's Annual Missouri History Day

Department: Administration

Vernon County Historical Society's annual Missouri History Day is scheduled for Thursday, September 21, 2023. This annual event brings 4th grade students from across Vernon County to participate in learning about local History.

Vernon County Historical Society would like to have a small Civil War replica cannon from the Mahaffie Stagecoach Stop Historic Site in Olathe, KS to showcase how to load and discharge a Civil War Cannon and Musket.

The provisions of Section 23-26 of the Code of City of Nevada prohibit the discharge of any gun, revolver, shotgun, rifle or other firearm of any description loaded with any explosive substance.

This resolution will allow a temporary waiver from Section 23-26 to discharge the Cannon and Musket.

Manager Notes:

- In the past the City Council has approved waivers for other organizations such as, The Turkey Federation and Osage Territory Muzzleloaders.
- From the Vernon County Historical Society: *"In addition, we are considering booking a new program this year, a small Civil War replica cannon from the Mahaffie Stagecoach Stop Historic Site in Olathe, KS. This station will allow students to learn what it was like to load and fire a Civil War cannon. In fact, the station staff from Mahaffie can even load the cannon with powder and shoot blanks. However, the gun would make a loud boom. It would be fired nine times, once for each of the nine student groups. The folks from Mahaffie can also demonstrate a musket firing for the kids."*

RESOLUTION NO. 1726

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF NEVADA, MISSOURI, AUTHORIZING A WAIVER FROM THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 23-26, DISCHARGE OF FIREARMS FOR THE VERNON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY'S ANNUAL MISSOURI HISTORY DAY EVENT

WHEREAS, Vernon County Historical Society's annual Missouri History Day is scheduled for Thursday, September 21, 2023, and;

WHEREAS, Fourth (4th) grade students from across Vernon County will participate in learning about local History, and;

WHEREAS, One of the learning stations will involve a small Civil War replica cannon from the Mahaffie Stagecoach Stop Historic Site in Olathe, KS where students will experience the loading and discharge of this cannon, as well as Musket firing and;

WHEREAS, Provisions of Section 23-26 of the Code of City of Nevada prohibits the discharge of any gun, revolver, shotgun, rifle or other firearm of any description loaded with any explosive substance, and;

WHEREAS, It is the desire of the City Council to waive the provisions of the Code of the City of Nevada, Missouri to allow the Vernon County Historical Society's Missouri History Day to discharge a small Civil War replica Cannon and Musket on the City Lot, formerly, the First Baptist Church location, on September 21, 2023

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Nevada, Missouri, that provisions of Section 23-26 of the Code of the City of Nevada are hereby waived, and the Vernon County Historical Society is authorized to discharge a small Civil War replica Cannon and Musket during the September 21, 2023, Missouri History Day event.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Nevada, Missouri on this 15th day of August 2023.

(seal)

KENDALL VICKERS, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CYNTHIA DYE, CITY CLERK