



## Legislation Text

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### Title

Pyrotechnical Services 2016

### History

An RFP was issued on January 7, 2016 to solicit proposals for a 23 - 25 minute choreographed fireworks show for the village's annual Independence Day Spectacular for 2016, 2017, and 2018. Proposals were received from Melrose Pyrotechnics, Inc. and Mad Bomber Fireworks Productions. Both proposed a 23 - 25 minute fireworks show for \$25,000. Melrose Pyrotechnics proposed a total of 1467 shells, with a 10% increase in shells for the final year of the contract. Mad Bomber proposed 1338 shells for each of the three years. The size, quality, and composition of shells are similar in both proposals.

Staff recommends awarding this contract to Melrose Pyrotechnics, Inc. Melrose has successfully produced the village's fireworks show over the last 9 years. Their reliability, safety protocols, safety record, and ultimately their quality displays, perfectly choreographed to patriotic music, make them an excellent choice for the Village of Orland Park. In addition, the number of shells Melrose offers in their proposal is 129 more than Mad Bomber, making their display significantly more impactful.

Melrose Pyrotechnics provides expert event producers, display technicians, and soundtrack artists who work closely with staff to deliver the required length of show, intensity, and choreography. Melrose has raised the bar for safety within the industry with its on-site training facility and full time staff member dedicated exclusively to training technicians. The curriculum developed at Melrose expands the curriculum of the America Pyrotechnics Association. In addition to safety Melrose was among the first to adopt new technology for firing shells electronically. Melrose insists on 100% electronic firing for their shows. Some clients of Melrose Pyrotechnics include: Chicago White Sox, Chicago Bulls, Chicago Bears, Northwestern University, University of Notre Dame, Allstate, McDonalds, Okinawa Fireworks Fest in Japan, and World Pyro Olympics in the Philippines.

On February 15, 2016, this item was reviewed and approved by the Parks and Recreation Committee, recommended for approval and referred to the Village Board of Trustees for consideration.

### Financial Impact

The amount budgeted for the 2016 pyrotechnical services (Fourth of July) is \$25,000. With the proposed contract, the cost for pyrotechnical services would remain at \$25,000 per year from 2016, 2017, and 2018.

### Recommended Action/Motion

I move to approve a contract with Melrose Pyrotechnics, Inc. of Kingsbury, IN for pyrotechnical services on July 4, 2016, 2017, and 2018 for the Independence Day Spectacular at a total not to exceed \$25,000 per year.