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MEMORANDUM

TO: Carie Anne Ergo, Village Administrator
FROM: Deanne Curelo, ATVM
DATE: February 6, 2026
SUBJECT: Approval of 2026 ItascaFest Budget

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Motion to approve the 2026 ItascaFest budget as presented by the Itasca Lions Club.

INTRODUCTION

This memo seeks Village Board approval of the attached ItascaFest Budget for 2026, as prepared by the Itasca Lions Club.

DISCUSSION

ItascaFest is an annual, family-friendly, four-day community event organized by the Itasca Lions Club, with support from the Village of Itasca and other local partners. In 2022, the Lions Club and the Village entered into a formal agreement outlining roles, responsibilities, and financial participation related to the event. The Village Board approved an extension of this agreement on November 18, 2025 (Exhibit A).

As required under the agreement, the Lions Club has prepared a detailed budget for the 2026 ItascaFest event. The proposed budget is attached as Exhibit B for Village Board review.

Compared to the prior year, the overall 2026 budget remains largely in line with limited adjustments. The primary increase is associated with entertainment costs. The Lions Club has experienced challenges securing bands for Friday and Saturday evenings due to increased competition from other summer events in the region, resulting in higher booking costs.

The budget also reflects an increase in power expenses. This adjustment is driven by food vendors requiring additional electrical capacity to support their equipment, which has increased overall power needs for the event.

FISCAL IMPACT

For FY27, the Village's total anticipated out of pocket cost related to the event is approximately \$70,000. This includes a \$35,000 charitable donation, which will be programmed into the FY27 budget under line item 21-

00-69050 for Donations and Sponsorships, and approximately \$35,000 in overtime and miscellaneous event related expenses, including rentals and clean up.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the item be forwarded to the First Reading of the Village Board meeting on February 17, 2026, for consideration and approval.

AFTER ACTION ITEMS

Program the ItascaFest Budget in Fiscal Year 2027's Budget

ATTACHMENTS

- Exhibit A – 2026 Agreement Between the Village of Itasca and the Itasca Lions Club
- Exhibit B – 2026 ItascaFest Budget Prepared by the Itasca Lions Club

RESOLUTION NO. 1670-25

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE ITASCA LIONS CLUB FOR THE 2026 ITASCAFEST

WHEREAS, the Village of Itasca, in collaboration with the Itasca Lions Club ("Lions Club"), annually hosts a festival known as ItascaFest on the second full weekend in July; and

WHEREAS, ItascaFest aims to provide an enjoyable community event for both visitors and Village residents while fundraising for the Itasca Lions Club, a 501(c)(4) charity, enabling continued support for charities assisting the sight and hearing disabled, along with addressing other community needs; and

WHEREAS, on February 21, 2023, the Village Board approved Resolution 1415-23 to ease the financial burden on the Lions Club by front-funding certain pre-festival expenses; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board also extended the agreement with the Lions Club for the operation of ItascaFest through Resolutions 1486-23 and 1605-25; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Village President and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Itasca, DuPage County, Illinois, as follows:

SECTION ONE: The Village of Itasca hereby extends its agreement with the Itasca Lions Club for the operation of ItascaFest in 2026, as detailed in the attached Exhibit A, which is incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION TWO: The Village President, or his designee, is hereby granted authorization to sign any necessary documents related to the Village's participation and expenditure of funds in the 2026 ItascaFest festival.

SECTION FOUR: SEVERABILITY. If any section, paragraph, or provision of this Resolution shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph, or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Resolution.

SECTION FIVE: REPEAL OF PRIOR RESOLUTIONS. All prior Resolutions and Ordinances in conflict or inconsistent herewith are hereby expressly repealed only to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency.

SECTION SIX: EFFECTIVE DATE. This Resolution shall be in effect immediately following its passage, approval, and publication in pamphlet form.

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Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>					

APPROVED and ADOPTED by the Village President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Itasca this 18th day of November, 2025.

APPROVED:

[Redacted Signature]

Village President Jeffery J. Pruyn

ATTEST:

[Redacted Signature]

Village Clerk Jody Conidi



THIRD EXTENSION TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF ITASCA AND THE ITASCA LIONS CLUB CONCERNING ITASCA FEST

This Extension Agreement, entered into this 18th day of November, 2025, is by and between the Village of Itasca, a municipal corporation ("Village"), and the Itasca Lions Club ("Lions Club") (collectively, "Parties").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Parties entered into an Agreement on February 21, 2023 (approved in Resolution No. 1415-23), concerning a partnership to sponsor the annual Itasca Fest festival in the Village which is held on the second full weekend in July each year ("Itasca Fest"); and

WHEREAS, the first extension to the Agreement was approved by Resolution 1486-23 on December 5, 2023 and the second extension to the Agreement was approved by Resolution 1605-25 on February 18, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Parties wish to extend the Agreement for ItascaFest 2026 consistent with the terms herein.

EXTENSION AGREEMENT

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenant and promises contained herein, the Village and Lions Club hereby agree as follows:

- 1. Section 2 of the Agreement, Term and Renewal, is amended to read:

"Term and Renewal: This Agreement terminates on December 31, 2026. The Agreement can be renewed annually before March 1st of each year by written agreement between the Parties and approval by the Village Board of Trustees."

- 2. The remainder of the Agreement is hereby ratified and approved by the Parties in this First Extension Agreement and remains in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the Village and Lions Club have executed this Agreement as authorized by the corporate authorities of the Village and the directors of the Lions Club.

VILLAGE OF ITASCA

ATTEST:

[Redacted Signature]

[Redacted Signature]

Village President Jeffrey Pruyn

Village Clerk Jody Conidi

ITASCA LIONS CLUB

[Redacted Signature]

Print Name & Title: Cynthia M. Vinci PRESIDENT



	2025 Itasca Fest Actual	2026 Itasca Fest Budget	Var F/(U)	NOTES
Fest Income				
Food Vendor's and Food trucks	\$ 15,600.00	\$ 15,600.00	\$ -	Cost of booth/food truck \$1,300 Includes Village Prepayment of \$35,000, Itasca Bank \$9,000 sponsors and others \$ is based on total ticket sales
Sponsorships	57,700.00	59,000.00	1,300.00	
Sponsorship From Fantasy	-	2,500.00	2,500.00	
Friends of the Fest	-	-	-	
Refreshments (gross)	53,279.00	65,000.00	11,721.00	Includes cash plus direct sales thru SQUARE and VENMO sales Friday and Saturday night 6-10 PM, Sunday afternoon 2- 5 PM.
Bingo (gross)	13,474.00	15,000.00	1,526.00	
Pull Tabs (gross)	-	-	-	
50/50 (gross)	-	-	-	
Carnival(gross)	183,597.05	195,000.00	11,402.95	Village ee's party packets, tickets and Associated Labor clean up cost
Deposit - Itasca Bucks and Village Picnic	10,070.70	11,000.00	929.30	
Antique Market/Car show	-	-	-	
Misc. with Lions Startup cash	3,000.00	3,000.00	-	Lions startup cash each night
Pass through Income	-	-	-	
Miscell	-	-	-	
Town and Country	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	Usually donated to Club in Sept
Total Income	\$ 339,220.75	\$ 368,600.00	\$ 29,379.25	
Fest Expenses				
40 Startup Expense	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	Includes Lions start up cash
41 Advertising	5,099.76	6,000.00	(900.24)	Flyers, banners etc.
42 Bags Tournament	-	-	-	
43 Refreshments	20,837.90	24,000.00	(3,162.10)	50% returned as pots to players plus State of Illinois gaming license and tax
44 Bingo	7,751.40	8,000.00	(248.60)	
46 50/50	-	-	-	Did not run a 50/50 for 2025
47 Portion of Ticket sales owed to Fantasy	125,838.08	133,250.00	(7,411.92)	Portion owed to Fantasy Entertainment. 30% first \$100k, 32% 100k to \$150k, 35% over \$150k



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48 Child Entertainment - Lester and Company	20,074.87	21,000.00	(925.13)	Lester's tent and entertainment Associated Labor costs. Reimbursed by the Village We are having difficulties securing bands for Fri/Sat night so budget increased in case needed.
49 Clean-Up	3,682.50	3,700.00	(17.50)	
50 Bands	23,000.00	27,000.00	(4,000.00)	
51 Sound Stage and Stage Lighting Tents, lighting, furniture, Main Stage, Power and	15,000.00	15,000.00	-	
53 Lester Stage	62,592.90	70,000.00	(7,407.10)	
54 Sanitation	10,005.00	10,500.00	(495.00)	
55 Fishing	1,490.98	1,500.00	(9.02)	
56 Itasca Bucks	3,394.00	3,500.00	(106.00)	
57 Insurance	611.00	650.00	(39.00)	
58 Miscellaneous incl. car show	1,452.88	1,500.00	(47.12)	
Expenses prior to Donations	\$ 303,831.27	\$ 328,600.00	\$ (24,768.73)	
Gross Net	\$ 35,389.48	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	Gross Net higher(lower) than Net per Financial Statements
Itasca Lions Club guarantee Donations	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 14,040.58	
Audit	\$ -	\$ -		
Total Donations and Audit	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 35,000.00		
Net	\$ 389.48	\$ 5,000.00		Net owed to (From) Village

RESOLUTION NO. 1696-26

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2026 ITASCAFEST BUDGET AS
PRESENTED BY THE ITASCA LIONS CLUB**

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WHEREAS, as per the agreement, the Lions Club has submitted a proposed budget for the 2026 ItascaFest for the Village Board's consideration and approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Village President and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Itasca, DuPage County, Illinois, as follows:

SECTION ONE: The Village of Itasca hereby approves the proposed budget for the 2026 ItascaFest, as presented by the Itasca Lions Club and detailed in Exhibit A.

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APPROVED and ADOPTED by the Village President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Itasca this 3rd day of March, 2026.

APPROVED:

Village President Jeffery J. Pruyn

ATTEST:

Village Clerk Jody Conidi