



CITY COUNCIL MEETING

AGENDA ITEM

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BACKGROUND

At the November 3, 2025 City Council meeting, the Council directed staff to provide information regarding a City Park and Recreation Ordinance. At the January 5, 2026 City Council meeting, the Council further directed staff to draft a Public Parks and Recreation ordinance.

OVERVIEW

The City currently has an ordinance that regulates use of the public beach only. Per Council direction, staff has drafted an ordinance amendment to Chapter 91 of the City Code to expand regulations to apply to all Public Recreational Areas. The purpose of this proposed ordinance amendment is to establish clear rules and expectations for the use of public parks and recreational areas and to provide the Police Department with clear authority to enforce these rules and address violations when necessary.

The proposed ordinance includes provisions regulating the following:

- Public hours
- Animals in public recreational areas
- Garbage and littering
- Motorized vehicles
- Alcohol and smoking
- Behavior and conduct

The draft ordinance is included as Attachment A and has been reviewed by legal counsel.

Communication

Upon approval of the ordinance, staff will work through the spring to install signage at public recreational areas. The signage will include a summary of the applicable rules and a QR code linking to additional information. Clear and visible signage will be a critical component of implementation to ensure the public is aware of and understands the rules and regulations.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

1. Hold a Public Hearing
2. Review the Ordinance
3. Approve the ordinance as presented or direct staff to make changes.