
Community Services Committee

DEPARTMENT: Parks and Recreation
FROM: Jen Basham, Director of Parks and Recreation
MEETING: January 24, 2024

SUBJECT:

Receive a report, hold a discussion and provide staff feedback regarding the use of E-bikes on the trail system. *(Staff Presenter: Jen Basham, Director of Parks and Recreation)*

SUMMARY:

Staff received feedback regarding e-bikes in late summer 2023 requesting that rules and regulations be visited to determine the appropriate level of e-bike use on our trail system. Staff partnered with Burleson Police Dept to work through the existing transportation code and how it applies. Feedback was received from the current mountain bike group with their comments and concerns regarding use of the bikes on the trails. Staff also benchmarked 9 cities to determine what other municipalities have put in place and all cities that responded stated that they were currently reviewing their ordinances and revising them to apply to e-bikes.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends prohibiting the use of class 3 e-bikes on designated soft surface trails, and continuing education and outreach

PRIOR ACTION/INPUT (Council, Boards, Citizens):

NA

REFERENCE:

Insert CSO# if applicable
Insert resolution or ordinance change

FISCAL IMPACT:

NA

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