

CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE ORDINANCE

MEETING DATE: 06/04/2024

PRESENTER: Ray Cerda, Director of Parks, Arts and Recreation

TITLE: Public Hearing and Standards of Care Ordinance for 2024 After School

Program and Camps

REVIEWING COMMITTEE:

ANALYSIS:

Section 42.041 (14) of the Texas Human Resources Code exempts youth programs operated by a municipality from child-care state licensing requirements. It also provides that in order for municipal youth programs to be exempted from state licensing requirements, the governing body of the municipality must annually adopt standards of care by ordinance after conducting a public hearing. Staff recommends that the standards of care set forth in Exhibit A of the attached ordinance be adopted by the City of Grand Prairie.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

None

BODY:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE, TEXAS, ESTABLISHING STANDARDS OF CARE FOR CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE YOUTH PROGRAMS; REPEALING ALL PREVIOUS ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; AND FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS ORDINANCE IS PASSED IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Prairie, through the Department of Parks, Arts and Recreation, provides youth programs that contribute to the overall well-being of youth and families of the City of Grand Prairie; and

WHEREAS, these youth programs are presently held at the Charley Taylor, Dalworth, The Epic and Tony Shotwell Life Centers and the other "Outreach" programs are currently operated by the City of Grand Prairie; and

WHEREAS, 42.041 (14) of the Texas Human Resources Code, exempts youth programs operated by a municipality from child-care state licensing requirements; and

WHEREAS, Section 42.041 (14) of the Texas Human Resources Code provides that in order for municipal youth programs to be exempted from state licensing requirements, the governing body of the municipality must annually adopt standards of care by ordinance after a public hearing; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing on the standards was held on June 4, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Parks, Arts and Recreation for the City of Grand Prairie recommends that the standards of care as set forth in Exhibit "A" be adopted by the City of Grand Prairie.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That all of the recitals and preambles herein above stated are found to be true and correct and are incorporated herein and made a part of this ordinance.

SECTION 2. That the Youth Programs' Standard of Care for the City of Grand Prairie as detailed in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes, is hereby approved.

SECTION 3. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. That if any provision of this ordinance shall be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, the remainder of such ordinance shall continue in full force and effect the same as if such invalid or unconstitutional provision had never been a part hereof.

SECTION 5. That it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this ordinance is passed is open to the public as required by law, and that public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given as required.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE, TEXAS, ON THIS THE 4th DAY OF JUNE, 2024.