



CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK

CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA COVER SHEET

Meeting Date	July 28, 2022
Originating Department	Administration
Contact Person	Phil Hill, City Administrator
Title	Ordinance 1247 – Amending Chapter 12.08 of the Lake Forest Park Municipal Code regarding the use of alcohol and prohibiting intoxication in the parks.

Legislative History

- First Presentation July 28, 2022, Regular Meeting
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Attachments:

1. Ordinance No. 1247 – amending Chapter 12.08 LMPMC, Park Code
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Executive Summary

Proposed Ordinance No. 1247 would continue the general prohibition on alcohol use found in the City's Park code, chapter 12.08 Lake Forest Park Municipal Code ("LFPMC"). The Ordinance would, however, allow wine and beer to be served and consumed in City parks if the applicant obtained a license or permit from the state and from the City to do so. The Ordinance would also add a provision to the Park Code that specifically prohibits being intoxicated in a City park.

Background

Almost 60 years ago, the City of Lake Forest Park adopted an ordinance prohibiting bringing into or consuming alcohol in City parks. Since then, the Washington Liquor and Cannabis Board (the "Board") has implemented processes for regulating and obtaining banquet permits authorizing the service and consumption of liquor at a specific place upon a specific date within the specific conditions of the permits. In the past, the City has used the Board's regulations and process along with the City's special event permit process to allow the sale and consumption of alcohol in City parks on specific days for specific events. The proposed Ordinance would align the LFPMC with past practice and current Board regulations.

Fiscal & Policy Implications

The proposed ordinance would amend the current policy, codifying the allowance of beer and wine sales in city parks with the appropriate state permit(s) and city approval through a special event permit for specific events on specific days.

There are no additional fiscal implications with respect to approval of the city's special event permit.

Alternatives

<i>Options</i>	<i>Results</i>
• Approve the Ordinance	Adopt amendments to the Park Code
• Do not approve the Ordinance	Continue to review and study the proposed amendment to the Park Code; in the meantime, alcohol sale or consumption at events in city parks will be allowed

Staff Recommendation

Approve and adopt Ordinance 1247 amending chapter 12.08 of the Lake Forest Park Municipal Code, the Park code.