



**AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY FORM**

**PROPOSED MEETING DATE:** March 4, 2024  
**PREPARED BY:** Matthew Woodard, Director  
**DEPARTMENT:** Public Works

**AGENDA ITEM DESCRIPTION:**

Consideration, discussion, and possible action on a Metal Detecting Ordinance establishing regulations for the City of Manor.

**BACKGROUND/SUMMARY:**

On January 18, 2024, the Parks Committee met with staff and discussed metal detection in the parks. The recommendation from the committee was to present the current Metal Detecting Ordinance to the council for consideration and discussion on either changing the ordinance to no metal detecting or giving staff direction on an ordinance to consider bringing back to the council. The current ordinance is in **Sec 1.12.049 Metal Detectors** **The use of metal detectors in city parks without a permit is prohibited.** We have no permitting process or associated fees for permits for metal detection in the parks.

**LEGAL REVIEW:** No  
**FISCAL IMPACT:** No  
**PRESENTATION:** No  
**ATTACHMENTS:** Yes

- Code of Federal Regulations- Metal Detecting
- Texas Law on Metal Detecting
- Antiquities Code of Texas
- Austin Ordinance- Metal Detecting
- Houston Ordinance – Metal Detecting
- San Antonio Guidelines– Metal Detecting

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

The city staff recommends that the City Council give direction on changing the ordinance to no metal detection or suggestions on making an ordinance and permitting procedures within the guidelines of federal and state laws.

**PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION:**      **Recommend Approval**      **Disapproval**      **None**