

CITY OF MEDINA, WASHINGTON

ORDINANCE NO. 1056

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MEDINA, WASHINGTON, AMENDING SECTION 12.20.015 OF THE MEDINA MUNICIPAL CODE TO CLARIFY THAT TENNIS COURTS MAY NOT BE UTILIZED FOR OTHER SPORTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND CORRECTIONS; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Medina Parks contain public tennis courts which are often in high demand, particularly during warmer months; and

WHEREAS, there have been an increasing use of tennis courts for other sports which results in tennis players being unable to use the courts for their intended purposes; and

WHEREAS, some of these alternative uses include pickleball at Medina Park which has a louder impact on other people using the parks and on nearby residences which has resulted in the City receiving noise complaints; and

WHEREAS, pickleball has not been an issue at Fairweather park; and

WHEREAS, in order to clarify the that public tennis courts at Medina Park are to be used solely for tennis, an amendment of the rules applying to public tennis courts is needed; and

WHEREAS, the Medina City Council finds it in the public interest and welfare to update the code with these clarifications; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

**THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEDINA, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN
AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Section 12.20.015 of the Medina Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

12.20.015. - Rules applying to all public tennis courts.

A. The following rules, along with all other rules applicable to Medina public parks, shall apply to and be enforced at all public tennis courts:

1. Players shall observe posted tennis court rules and shall observe courtesies as well as rules of good conduct on and around the courts.

2. Playing on the courts without tennis shoes is prohibited. A tennis shoe is a heelless rubber-soled shoe.

3. No bicycles, skateboards, roller skates, rollerblades or pets are allowed on the courts. Food and beverages are restricted to use on the sidelines of the courts.

4. For Medina Park, only racket sports are permitted on the tennis courts. No other racket sports or ball sports are permitted on the tennis courts. Therefore, all other sports or uses including but not limited to pickleball, badminton, basketball, soccer, and baseball are prohibited on the courts.

5. For Fairweather Park, only tennis and other racket sports are permitted on the tennis courts. No other sports are permitted, including but not limited to basketball, soccer, and baseball.

6. Whenever there are tennis players waiting to use the tennis courts, the total play time of the parties on the court shall be limited to 1-1/2 hours. Winners shall have no prior rights to remain on the courts. The next players physically in line has priority to the court.

Section 2. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance should be held to be unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance.

Section 3. Corrections. Upon the approval of the city attorney, the city clerk, and/or the code publisher is authorized to make any necessary technical corrections to this ordinance, including but not limited to the correction of scrivener's/clerical errors,

references, ordinance numbering, section/subsection numbers, and any reference thereto.

Section 4. Publication. This Ordinance shall be published by an approved summary consisting of the title.

Section 5. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be effective five days after publication as provided by law.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEDINA ON THE 8th DAY OF JUNE, 2026 BY A VOTE OF __ FOR, __ AGAINST, AND __ ABSTAINING, AND IS SIGNED IN AUTHENTICATION OF ITS PASSAGE THE 8th DAY OF JUNE, 2026.

Jessica Rossman, Mayor

Approved as to form:
Inslee Best Doezie & Ryder, P.S.

Attest:

Jennifer R. Robertson, City Attorney

Dawn Nations, Acting City Clerk

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