ORDINANCE NO. 2016- 1

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 50 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATING THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

The Common Council of the City of Richland Center, Wisconsin does ordain as follows:

SECTION 1:

Chapter 50 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Richland Center is amended to provide:

CHAPTER 50

BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS FOR THE CITY OF RICHLAND CENTER

50.01 CREATION. The general government, management, control, improvement and care of all public parks, parkways, and pleasure drives located within the City of Richland Center, now existing and as may hereafter be acquired, shall be in a Board of Park Commissioners, alternatively referred to herein as the Park Board. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Common Council reserves the right to supersede the Board of Park Commissioners by ordinance or resolution as to any matter pursuant to the powers of the Council under sec. 62.11(5) Wis. Stats.

50.02 COMPOSITION.

(1) Said Park Board shall consist of seven (7) members.

(2) One member of said Park Board shall be a member of the County Board of Richland County, Wisconsin, appointed by the chairman of the County Board for a two (2) year term. If during a term on the Park Board such person ceases to be a member of the County Board, the County Board shall appoint a replacement for the remainder of the two year term.

(3) One member of said Park Board shall be a member of the Common Council of the City of Richland Center, appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Common Council for a two (2) year term. If during a term on the Park Board such person ceases to be a member of the Common Council, a replacement shall be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Common Council for the remainder of the two year term.

(4) One individual who is both an alderman of the City of Richland Center and a

supervisor of Richland County may represent both the Common Council and the County Board on the Park Board, if the Mayor and Common Council so desire, but the fact that the Common Council representative may also be a supervisor shall not prevent the appointment by the chairman of the County Board of another supervisor as the County Board representative.

(5) The remaining members shall be residents of the City who shall be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Common Council.

50.03 TERMS OF OFFICE OF CITIZEN MEMBERS.

(1) Term of Office. The full term of each member other than the Common Council member and the County Board member shall be for five (5) years beginning upon confirmation of his or her appointment on the third Tuesday in April and until his or her successor is appointed and qualifies. The commencement of the terms shall be staggered that one member's term expires each year. Upon the ending of any member's full term the Mayor shall appoint his or her successor for a full five year term and submit the appointment to the Council for confirmation.

(2) Vacancy During a Term; Replacement. In the event a citizen member ceases to serve on the Park Board during his or her term, the Mayor shall appoint a successor for the remainder of that member's five year term, subject to confirmation by the Common Council.

50.04 QUALIFICATION. Each member of the Park Board shall be a resident freeholder of the City, and shall take and file the official oath.

50.05 OFFICERS OF THE BOARD; OFFICER'S TERMS. The officers of the Park Board shall be a president, a vice president and a secretary. The term of office of the officers shall be for one year. Officers shall be elected at the first meeting of the Board after the third Tuesday in April of each year. Ministerial duties of the secretary may, at the direction of the Board, be performed by the City Parks Director.

50.06 QUORUM. Four members of said Park Board shall constitute a quorum to transact business.

50.07 COMPENSATION. Compensation of the members of the Park Board shall be in the amount set forth in Chapter 46 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Richland Center.

50.08 POWERS. The Board of Park Commissioners shall have all powers and be

chargeable with all duties as set out in Section 27.08, Wisconsin Statutes, subject to the right of the Common Council to retain or limit such powers by ordinance or resolution.

50.09 BUDGET.

(1) The Board of Park Commissioners shall, prior to the first day of September in each year, make an estimate of the proposed appropriation from City general funds for expenditure by said Board during the ensuing calendar year for park operations and transmit the same to the Common Council. Such part of said estimate as the Council shall approve and appropriate for park operations shall be subject to expenditure by the Board of Park Commissioners.

(2) Any extraordinary expenditures not included in the estimate of proposed expenditures for the year shall require specific approval by the Common Council except the expenditure of moneys in the Park Fund received by the Park Board by subscription or gift.

(3) The Board of Park Commissioners shall transmit to the Common Council by the end March of each year a full detailed report of all its transactions for the preceding year, together with an itemized account of all receipts and expenditures, a list of employees, and an inventory of property in charge of the Board, including an itemized statement of the cost of each article procured or purchased. In addition, such report shall set forth the amount of funds on hand in the Park Fund which were derived from subscription or gift.

50.10 FINANCE.

(1) Park Fund. All moneys under the control of the Park Board received by subscription or gift for parks, parkways or pleasure drives shall be held by the City Clerk/Treasurer in a separate bank account and shall constitute a separate fund denominated the Park Fund. Moneys in the Park Fund may be expended by the Park Board for park purposes in the Park Board's discretion, without the need for approval by the Common Council.

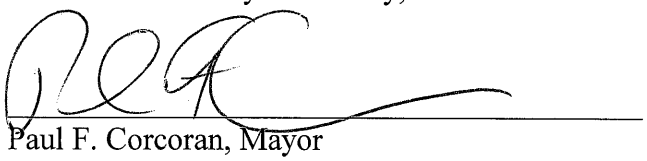
(2) Appropriated City General Funds. All funds appropriated by the Common Council for park purposes out of general City revenue, not including funds in the Park Fund, shall be held in the City's general account, and may be expended upon approval by the Park Board and the Common Council.

(3) Limitation on Park Board's Authority to Expend Funds or Contract Liabilities Other than from the Park Fund. The Park Board shall not contract any liability against the General Funds of the City or make any expenditure other than expenditures from the Park Fund unless the same be expressly authorized by both the Park Board and the Common Council.

SECTION 2:

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication.

Enacted the 5th day of January, 2016



Paul F. Corcoran, Mayor

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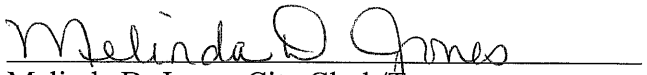

Melinda D. Jones, City Clerk/Treasurer