

CHAPTER 23

PARK BOARD

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23.01 CREATION. A Park Board is hereby created to advise the Council on the needed facilities and programs to provide open space such as parks, playgrounds, swimming pools and community facilities for other forms of recreation. It shall also plan and oversee City programs and encourage other programs for the leisure time of the City's residents of all ages. It shall manage all such facilities and Oakshade Cemetery.

23.02 COMPOSITION. The Board shall be composed of five (5) citizen members appointed by the Mayor, subject to approval of the City Council, for terms of four (4) years. Board members' terms shall be staggered. The Board shall select its own Chair and shall establish its own rules of procedure. Members shall receive no compensation for their services.

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23.03 DUTIES OF THE BOARD. In addition to its duty to make a plan for parks, recreation and the cemetery and for the facilities therefor, and to update and revise these plans as required, the Board shall have authority over the properties and personnel devoted to parks, recreation, Community Center, swimming pool and cemetery subject to the limitation of expenditures for salaries and supplies, contracts and capital outlays set forth in the annual budget provided by the City Council for park, recreation and cemetery operations. The Board shall cooperate with the City Manager in the allotment of time of City employees for park, recreation and cemetery purposes. The Board shall order supplies by the procedures established by the City Council for all departments of the City, and payments will be made by warrant check written by the Finance Director for invoices submitted and approved by the Board.

23.04 REPORTS. The Board shall make written reports to the City Council of its activities from time to time as it deems advisable or upon Council request. Its revenues and expenditures shall be reported monthly by the Finance Director in the manner of other departmental expenditures, and a copy shall be provided to each member of the Board and in the Finance Director's report to the City Council.

23.05 RULES. The Board shall have power to make rules and regulations for the use of parks, Community Center, swimming pool, other recreational facilities and the cemetery, subject to the approval of the rules by ordinance adopted by the Council. Such rules may be posted near entrances of the facility in a manner to provide notice to the using public.

However, publication of the ordinance shall be a sufficient notice alone, and failure to post shall not constitute a defense.

23.06 PENALTIES. Violation of a Board rule which has been approved by the Council and adopted by ordinance may be cause for denial of use of a facility or participation in a program, but such denial which extends more than one day may be appealed to the Board, or the violation may be prosecuted as a misdemeanor.

23.07 RATES AND CHARGES. The Park Board shall at such times as it deems appropriate recommend changes in fees and charges to the City Council for its consideration and adoption by resolution.

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