

CITY OF BELLMEAD

ORDINANCE 2023-01

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BELLMEAD, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 14 – PARKS AND RECREATION, ARTICLE II. – PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Bellmead is dedicated to supporting the Bellmead parks system and its activities and to promote clean, safe, family orientated recreational opportunities; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Bellmead created a Parks and Recreation Board in 2012 with the approval of Ordinance 2012-15; and,

WHEREAS, this is an amendment to Chapter 14 – Parks and Recreation, Article II. – Parks and Recreation Board, adding sections for clarity, adding a requirement that all board members reside within the city limits, changing the meeting schedule to quarterly, and correcting the quorum requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLMEAD, TEXAS:

SECTION 1

Sec. 14-26. - Created.

There is hereby created in and for the city a parks and recreation board to act in an advisory capacity to city council.

SECTION 2

Sec. 14-27. – Membership, number.

The parks and recreation board shall be composed of eight (8) members who shall serve without pay. The members of the parks and recreation board shall be appointed by the city council. The city manager or his designee shall be an ex officio member of the board. A quorum shall consist of the majority of all active appointed members, less any vacancies.

SECTION 3

Sec. 14-28. - Qualifications.

Members of the parks and recreation board shall be residents of the city.

Sec. 14-29. - Appointment.

The members of the parks and recreation board shall be appointed as follows:

1. One (1) member of the board shall be appointed by the city council member from precincts I, II, and V in odd-numbered years.
2. One (1) member of the board shall be appointed by the city council member from precincts III, IV, and the at-large position in even-numbered years.
3. One (1) member of the board shall be nominated by the Bellmead Chamber of Commerce and approved by the city council in even-numbered years.
4. One (1) member of the board shall be nominated by the La Vega Independent School District (LVISD) and approved by the city council in even-numbered years.

SECTION 4

Sec. 14-30. - Terms.

The terms of office for the members of the parks and recreation board shall be for two years or until their respective successors shall have been appointed and duly qualified. The two-year term shall run concurrent with the term of the council member representing the precinct from which the board member was appointed. Members shall serve no more than three concurrent terms.

SECTION 5

Sec. 14-31. - Organization.

(a) In the annual meeting, the parks and recreation board shall meet and organize by selecting one (1) of its members to serve as the chairperson, one (1) of its members to serve as the vice chairperson, one (1) of its members to serve as secretary and shall appoint such other officers as it deems necessary.

(b) The parks and recreation board shall meet quarterly. Any member with three (3) or more unexcused absences during a calendar year will be deemed to have forfeited his/her appointment and position on the parks and recreation board.

(c) The board may call special meetings as it deems necessary.

SECTION 6

Sec. 14-32. - Rules, regulations.

The parks and recreation board shall recommend to the city council for its approval certain rules and regulations for the proper conduct of public recreational affairs and the use by the public of city parks and recreation areas.

SECTION 7

Sec. 14-33. - Appropriations.

The city council shall annually appropriate from the general revenues of the city a sufficient sum of money to maintain and operate the public parks and recreational facilities under the control of the parks and recreation board.

It is specifically provided that the board shall have no authority to spend nor commit the city to the expenditure of any funds or monies whatsoever.

SECTION 8

Sec. 14-34. – Gifts, bequests, donations.

The parks and recreation board may solicit or receive any gifts or bequests of money or other personal property or any donation to be applied, principal or income, for either temporary or permanent use for playgrounds or recreational purposes. Any gift or bequest, over one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00), shall be made contingent upon acceptance by the Bellmead City Council.

SECTION 9

Sec. 14-35. – Fees.

All fees for park or recreational facility usage shall be maintained in the City Master Fee Schedule.

SECTION 10

Sec. 14-36. - Reports.

The parks and recreation board shall make an annual report to the city council and such other report as from time to time may be requested.

SECTION 11

That all ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance be, and the same are hereby, repealed and all other ordinances of the City not in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON FIRST READING MAY 16, 2023 .

PASSED AND APPROVED ON SECOND READING JUNE 13, 2023 .

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIRD READING JUNE 13, 2023 .





Mayor, Travis Gibson

ATTEST:



City Secretary, Holly Owens

APPROVED AS TO FORM & LEGALITY:



City Attorney, Charlie Buenger



Regular 6/13/2023

Item# 10C

CCM/O 2023-01

CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM FOR ORDINANCE

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Approval: Yousry Zakhary

Parks and Recreation Board Ordinance

DESCRIPTION:

Consider a memorandum/ordinance amending Chapter 14 – Parks and Recreation, Article II. – Parks and Recreation Board; Providing for severability; Providing for an effective date.

BACKGROUND:

Several items have been brought up during Parks and Recreation Board meetings which initiated a staff review of the Parks and Recreation Board ordinance. City staff have revised the ordinance adding additional sections for clarity, adding a requirement that all board members reside within the city limits, changing the meeting schedule to quarterly, changing the attendance language, and correcting the quorum requirements.

These changes were taken before the Parks and Recreation Board on April 17, 2023. The Board recommended the changes move forward to City Council with a unanimous vote of 5-0.

The first reading for the Parks and Recreation Board Ordinance was held on May 16, 2023 with a unanimous vote of 5-0. This is the second and third final reading and if approved will be effective immediately.

FISCAL IMPACT / FUNDING SOURCE:

N/A

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the City Council approve **Ordinance 2023-01**, Consider a memorandum/ordinance amending Chapter 14 – Parks and Recreation, Article II. – Parks and Recreation Board; Providing for severability; Providing for an effective date.

ATTACHMENT(S):

Ordinance 2023-01