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48.01 PARK HOURS. No person shall remain in any public park, community center, or City recreational facility during the periods of time set by this section unless special permission shall have been given by the City Administrator for such person or group of persons to remain there:

- 1. No person shall remain in or on any City park or the grounds thereof from 11:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. (Sunday through Thursday).
- 2. No person shall remain in or on any City park or the grounds thereof from 12:00 midnight to 5:00 a.m. (Friday and Saturday).
- **48.02 USE OF DRIVES REQUIRED.** No person shall drive any vehicle, or ride or drive any horse, in any portion of a park except upon the established drives or roadways therein or such other places as may be officially designated by the City.
- **48.03 PUBLIC MEETINGS AND ORGANIZED USES.** Public meetings, religious, political, or otherwise, including picnics, parties, and entertainment for charitable or religious purposes, may be held in any public park upon first obtaining permission from the City Administrator. Such assemblages shall be conducted in a lawful and orderly manner, shall be under the supervision of the City, and shall occupy such ground as may be reserved for them.
- **48.04 DESTRUCTION OF PLANT OR ANIMAL LIFE.** No unauthorized person shall in any manner deface, injure, or remove any tree, shrub, or plant standing or growing in any public park or recreation facility, or pick or destroy any flowers or seeds growing therein. No persons, except persons authorized, shall remove or attempt to remove, injure, or kill any wild or captive animal in any public park or recreation facility.
- **48.05 FIRES.** No person shall kindle, build, maintain, or in any way light a fire in any public park.
- **48.06 FIREWORKS AND EXPLOSIVES.** No person shall use firearms, explosives, weapons, firecrackers, or fireworks of any character in any public park, except as otherwise provided by ordinance.
- **48.07 WASTE MATERIAL AND LITTERING.** No person shall place, deposit, or throw any waste, refuse, litter, or foreign substance on the ground or in any area or receptacle in a park except in receptacles provided for that purpose. Park waste receptacles shall not be used for dumping trash or rubbish introduced in that form to the park.

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- **48.08 CAMPING AREAS.** No person shall camp in any portion of a park.
- **48.09 DISORDERLY AND OBSCENE CONDUCT; NUISANCES.** No person shall use any loud, violent, obscene, or profane language while in any public park, nor shall any person conduct himself or herself in a disorderly or obscene manner or commit any nuisance therein.
- **48.10 BUILDINGS AND ANIMALS.** No person shall disturb or interfere with any building or improvement of any kind made or being made in or about any public park, or disturb or interfere with birds or animals kept or found therein.
- **48.11 DOGS AND PETS.** No dog or pet shall be allowed to run at large in any public park. Any dog or pet shall be deemed to be found running at large, unless the owner carries such dog or pet or leads such dog or pet by a chain, strap, or rope not exceeding six feet in length, or keeps any such dog or pet confined in an automobile. However, any dog or pet especially trained to assist a blind or partially blind person and accompanying such person shall not be deemed to be running at large, even though restraints as described herein are not used. Such person shall keep the guide dog under control and shall be liable for any damage done to the premises or facilities by the dog or pet. A peace officer shall remove and impound any dog or pet running at large in any public park.
- **48.12 POSTED NOTICES.** No person shall enter upon any land owned or leased to the City and under its jurisdiction, and conduct activities thereon in disregard of signs or posted notices forbidding the same.
- **48.13 UNAUTHORIZED SIGNS.** No person shall post, paste, fasten, paint, or affix any placard, bill, notice, or sign upon any structure, tree, stone, fence, or enclosure along or within any park.
- **48.14 MOVING BENCHES AND TABLES.** No person shall move benches, seats, or tables from their places in any park except on picnic grounds.
- **48.15 REMOVAL OF WOOD, GRASS, OR GRAVEL.** No person shall cut or remove any wood, turf, grass, soil, rock, sand, or gravel from any public park without written permission from the City Council.
- **48.16 GOLF BALLS.** No one shall drive, hit, or play with a golf ball in any City park.
- **48.17 RESPONSIBILITY OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN.** No parent, guardian, or custodian of a minor shall allow the minor to do any act prohibited by any provision of the rules set out by the provisions of this chapter.
- **48.18 MISDEMEANOR.** Any person who violates provisions of this chapter shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

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