

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 240 PARKS AND RECREATION AND CHAPTER 250 CITY RECREATION PROGRAM OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY BY REVISING CERTAIN SECTIONS INCLUDED THEREIN

WHEREAS, Chapter 240 Parks and Recreation of the Municipal Code of the City of Richmond, Missouri (“City Code”) includes various provisions regarding the City’s municipal park system; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 250 City Recreation Program of the City Code includes provisions regarding the establishment of the City’s recreation program; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to amend certain sections of Chapter 240 and to incorporate the provisions of Chapter 250 into Chapter 240 in order to establish a combined Parks and Recreation Department in the City as set forth herein

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I

That Section 240.140 of the City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 240.140. Annual Report Required.

- A. The members of the Park Board, with the assistance of the Director of Parks and Recreation, shall present to the City Council on an annual basis a report. Such report shall be presented at the first (1st) Council meeting in May of each year and shall consist of:
1. The condition of their trust as of the first (1st) day of May of each year.
 2. The various sums of money received from the Park Fund and other sources.
 3. The sums of money expended by the Park Board and for what purposes.
 4. Such other statistics, information and suggestions as the Board may deem to be of general interest.
 5. All such portions of said report as related to the receipt and expenditures of money shall be verified.
 6. A proposed parks and recreation budget for the coming year.

7. Make recommendations for improving the parks and recreation program and facilities.

SECTION II

That the title of Article III and the provisions of Section 240.150 of the City Code are hereby amended to read as follows:

Article III. Director of Parks and Recreation.

Section 240.150. Position Established.

There is hereby established in the City the position of Director of Parks and Recreation. The Director of Parks and Recreation shall, in consultation with the Park Board, be appointed by the Mayor and approved by a majority of the members of the City Council.

SECTION III

That Section 240.160 of the City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 240.160. Responsibilities.

A. The Director of Parks and Recreation shall be responsible for:

1. Supervising the development and maintenance of the park facilities;
2. Developing and administering the budget for park maintenance, upkeep and repair;
3. With the approval of the City Administrator and in consultation with the Park Board, screening and recommending for employment applicants seeking positions in the Parks and Recreation Department, including contract laborers, and supervising all employees of the Parks and Recreation Department;
4. Recommending policy and practices to the Park Board for efficient and effective park maintenance, upkeep and repair;
5. Becoming involved in any agency program which will keep he/she abreast of current practices, issues, facilities and programs designed to more effectively do the job;
6. Planning, promoting, organizing, and supervising a comprehensive municipal recreation program known as the City Recreation Program and administering the same in the interest of the entire community. The fees for participation in the City Recreation Program's activities shall be set forth in the City's Comprehensive Fee Schedule, held on file in the City offices; and

7. Performing such additional duties not herein specifically set out as may be required by law, by ordinance, or by order of the City Administrator, City Council or Mayor.

SECTION IV

That Section 240.170 of the City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 240.170. Qualifications.

In order to be eligible for the position of Director of Parks and Recreation, such director must hold an earned Bachelor of Science degree in recreation and park administration, or a bachelor's degree in a related field with at least two (2) full years of administrative experience in recreation; or otherwise have such experience and training in park and recreation administration or a related field as may be deemed appropriate by the Mayor and City Council of the City.

SECTION V

That Section 240.180 is hereby deleted in its entirety.

SECTION VI

That Chapter 250 is hereby deleted in its entirety.

SECTION VII

That all ordinances or parts of ordinance in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION VIII

That should any section, sentence or clause of this ordinance be declared invalid or unconstitutional, such declaration shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections, sentences, or clauses.


SECTION IX

That this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage and approval.

Read two times and passed by the City Council of the City of Richmond, Missouri, this 12th day of December, 2023.


Mike Wright, Mayor


ATTEST:


Kim Williamson, City Clerk

APPROVED THIS 12th DAY OF December, 2023.




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