

BEFORE THE COMMON COUNCIL
THE CITY OF CHARLESTOWN, INDIANA

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-OR- 5

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING 2018-OR-15

Whereas, the Common Council for the City of Charlestown, Indiana previously established regulations and policy for the use, operation, control and management of the City of Charlestown Public Parks and established fees and policy for the use of the City of Charlestown Dog Park with the adoption of Ordinance 2018-OR-15; and

Whereas, a 5-Year Parks and Recreation Master Plan (hereinafter Parks Master Plan”) was recently completed for the City, which studied the existing City Parks, and the needs and interests of the City and its citizens, in order to make recommendations and proposals for the improvement of the City Parks system; and

Whereas, the Parks Master Plan recommends that the City Dog Park be made open to the public without charge.

NOW, THERREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Common Council for the City of Charlestown, Indiana, that Section 5 of Ordinance 2018-OR-15 is amended to read as follows:

SECTION 5. DOG PARK REGULATIONS

All persons and Dogs that use, or are present in, the City's Dog Park, are subject to the following requirements:

- A. No animals other than Dogs shall be permitted in the Dog Park;
- B. Dogs must be spayed/neutered;
- C. Dogs must have a current Rabies, Bordetella, DAPP vaccination;
- D. All Dog owners are solely responsible for their pet's actions, behavior, & safety;
- E. All patrons use the Dog Park entirely at their own risk;
- F. All children under the age of thirteen (13) years must be accompanied by an adult;
- G. All Dogs must display on their collar a rabies Tag and ID tag at all times while utilizing the Dog Park.
- H. Sick, injured and/or contagious Dogs shall not be allowed to utilize the park;
- I. At least one (1) person is required to supervise every two (2) Dogs;
- J. All Dogs must be restrained until both owner and animals are inside the Dog Park fence area;

- K. All Dog owners/handlers must properly remove (Scoop the Poop) all animal waste and dispose same in the designated waste containers in the Dog park;
- L. Owners/Handlers must have their Dog (s) in sight at all times;
- M. Unruly, rough playing, or aggressive Dogs must be leashed and removed from the park immediately;
- N. Dogs known to exhibit vicious, aggressive or dangerous behavior are not permitted in the park;
- O. No smoking or glass containers are allowed in the Dog Park;
- P. No Dog food dishes, Dog food, favorite toy or chews/rawhides are permitted in the Dog park;
- Q. Spiked/pronged/pinch/shock collars are not permitted in the Dog Park and must be removed upon entry into the Dog Park; and
- R. Dogs must utilize the area of the Dog park designated for the proper size and weight of the Dog.

IT IS FURTHER ORDAINED that in recognition of the fact that this Amendment removes the requirement that individuals using the City Dog Park register their dogs with the City of Charlestown Parks and Recreation Department, and the fact that some individuals have already registered their dog(s) and paid the associated fees for the year 2021, such individuals shall be entitled to receive a *pro rata* refund of the fees paid for the year 2021 at the time that they return to the Parks and Recreation Department the key fob previously issued to the individual as a result of their registration of their dog(s).

All provisions of 2018-OR-15 not specifically amended or abrogated hereby shall remain in full force and effect.


This ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its adoption.

SO ORDAINED this date: 5-5-2021



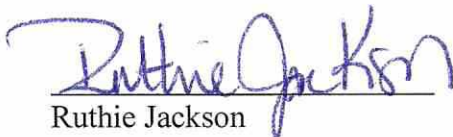
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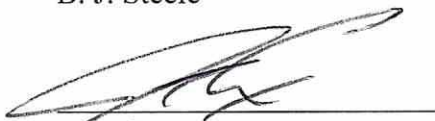
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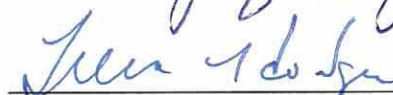
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THIS ORDINANCE WAS APPROVED upon this date: 5th day of May



Treva Hodges, Mayor

ATTEST:

5-5-2021
Date



Donna Coomer
City Clerk-Treasurer