



## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Mayor and City Council

**From:** Adam Richter, Assistant Director of Community Experiences  
Jessica Carpenter, Director of Community Experiences

**Date:** February 24, 2026

**Reference:** Consider approval of an amendment to the Code of Ordinances, by amending Chapter 9 “General Regulations”, Article 9-11” Parks and Recreation Code”, by adoption of rules and regulations for dog park use and operation by adding a new section, section “9-11-3A”; and authorizing the City Manager to sign any necessary documents.

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### Introduction:

This item is presented for Council consideration to approve an amendment to the Code of Ordinances, by amending Chapter 9 “General Regulations”, Article 9-11” Parks and Recreation Code”, by adoption of rules and regulations for dog park use and operation by adding a new section, section “9-11-3A”.

### Background:

This proposed ordinance revision is prompted by the feedback received by staff from the community and park users during the community input process that helped staff identify top priorities during the design phase for the Dog Park Reconstruction project. The new section “9-11-3A” is being added to reflect the new dog park amenities and features and to ensure proper alignment with the Coppel Animal Services Department requirements. Additionally, the proposed changes will feature updated park hours, dog owner and handler responsibilities, dog requirements and restrictions, prohibited items and activities, and general guidelines.

### Benefit to the Community:

By adding this new section to the Parks and Recreation Code of Ordinances, the community can expect improved safety for people and dogs, better park conditions and cleanliness, more predictable and reliable access times, reduced conflict among users, and long-term cost savings.

**Legal Review:**

This item has been reviewed by the City Attorney.

**Fiscal Impact:**

There is no fiscal impact related to this agenda item.

**Recommendation:**

The Community Experiences Department recommends approval of this item.