



## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Mayor and City Council

**From:** Brad Reid, Parks and Recreation Director

**Date:** February 28, 2017

**Reference:** Consider approval of an amendment to the Code of Ordinances, by repealing Chapter 9, “General Regulations”, Article 9-11 “Parks and Recreation Code” in its entirety and replacing with a new Article 9-11, “Parks and Recreation Code”; providing amended Section 9-11-3, “General Regulations”; providing amended Section 9-11-4, “Vehicular Regulations”; providing amended Section 9-11-5, “Enforcement”; providing amended Section 9-11-8, “Special Permits” and by reserving Section 9-11-11 for future use; and authorizing the Mayor to sign.

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### Introduction:

This item is being presented to the Council for the purpose of requesting approval of revisions to Chapter 9 ‘General Regulations’, Article 9-11-3 through 9-11-12 of the Parks and Recreation Code. The revisions will aid in clarification of, and updates to the code, including further definition of allowable uses of the parks for business ventures related to activities for the fitness of the community, pavilion rental processes, expansion of operational park hours and other essential updates for patron safety. In addition, the proposed changes will add a new park land classification called Passive Park Land, the designation of which will allow for better management of these areas for safety and maintenance practices. Please recall that the revisions to the ordinance were discussed at the January 24, 2017 Council Work Session, with additions reflected in the current version.

### Analysis:

This proposed ordinance revision is prompted by current trends and challenges that the department regularly encounters and the need to bring the Parks and Recreation Code up to date. The update also includes consideration of the renovation of the Andrew Brown Park system as a need to clarify codes in order to help maximize the usage of the park system and for the safety and maintenance of the parks. Staff anticipates that the “Civic Green” area of Andrew Brown Park East will be utilized for a variety of activities as intended but management of those uses will require ordinance support.

**Legal Review:**

The ordinance revision under consideration was completed by legal counsel.

**Fiscal Impact:**

No direct fiscal impact at this time

**Recommendation:**

The Parks and Recreation Department recommends approval of this item