CHAPTER 25

PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD

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25.01 **PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD ESTABLISHED.** A Parks and Recreation Board (Board) is hereby established.

25.02 **PURPOSE.** The Board is created to advise the Council on needed facilities to provide open space such as parks, playgrounds and community facilities for other forms of recreation. It shall also plan and oversee City programs including but not limited to the Guthrie Center Aquatic Center and summer baseball and softball programs and to encourage other programs to enhance the leisure time activities of the City's residents of all ages.

25.03 ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD.

- 1. The Board shall be composed of five (5) members and at least three (3) of those members must be residents of Guthrie Center.
- 2. Members are preferred to have special interest in the summer baseball program, the summer softball program and/or the summer swim team.
- 3. The Mayor, with approval of the Council, shall appoint members of the Board.
- 4. The Board members are appointed for staggered terms of three (3) years, except to fill vacancies. Each term shall commence on January 1.
- 5. Vacancies occurring on the Board, other than expiration of terms of office, shall be only for the unexpired portion of the term of the member replaced.
- 6. Members shall serve without compensation.
- 7. The Board shall elect officers and adopt its own rules of order as it applies to meeting procedure.
- 25.04 **REPORTS TO COUNCIL.** The Board shall make written reports to the Council of its activities on at least an annual basis, or upon Council request. Its revenues and expenditures shall be reported monthly by the Clerk in the manner of other departmental expenditures.
- 25.05 **DUTIES OF THE BOARD.** In addition to its duty to make a plan for recreation and for the facilities for recreation, and to update and revise these plans as required, the Board has authority over the properties and personnel devoted to parks and recreation, subject to the limitation of expenditures for salaries and supplies, contracts and capital CODE OF ORDINANCES, GUTHRIE CENTER, IOWA

outlays set forth in the annual budget provided by the Council for parks and recreation operations. The Board shall cooperate with the Streets Superintendent in the allotment of time of City employees for parks and recreation purposes. The Board shall oversee the hiring, staffing, and training of the Guthrie Center Aquatic Center.

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