

CHAPTER 25

PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD

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25.01 PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD ESTABLISHED. A Parks and Recreation Board (the "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 members and at least three of those members must be residents of the City.
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 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 procedures.

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 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 Aquatic Center.

25.06 RULES. The Board has the power to make rules and regulations for the use of parks or other recreational facilities or for the conduct of recreation programs, subject to the approval

of the rules by the Council. Such rules shall be either posted on the facility or otherwise publicized in a manner to provide adequate notice to the using public. Violation of a rule or regulation so posted or publicized may be cause for denial of use of the facility or if it is a violation of this Code of Ordinances may be prosecuted as a simple misdemeanor.

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