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Park Rules & Regulations

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ORDINANCE NO. 1789

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF REDMOND, WASHINGTON, AMENDING CHAPTER 9.32 OF THE REDMOND MUNICIPAL CODE; ADDING SECTIONS TO CHAPTER 9.32 OF THE REDMOND MUNICIPAL CODE WHICH REGULATE PUBLIC USE OF CITY PARKS WITH BODIES OF WATER; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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WHEREAS, Chapter 9.32 of the Redmond Municipal Code provides rules and regulations for use of public parks within the City of Redmond, and

WHEREAS, the City Council anticipates that the waterfront park known as Idylwood Park will soon become a part of the City's public park system, and the City Council desires to regulate activities for the public safety in said park, and in other waterfront parks the City may establish, NOW, THEREFORE,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDMOND, WASHINGTON, DO  
ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Definitions. Subsection (e) of 9.32.020 of the Redmond Municipal Code is hereby amended, and new subsections (l) through (o) are hereby added to section 9.32.020 to read as follows:

9.32.020 Definitions. Whenever used in these rules, the following terms shall be defined as follows:

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- (e) "Park" means and includes all city parks, and bodies of water contained therein, trails, public squares, public drives, parkways, boulevards, golf courses, museums, zoos, pools, buildings, and playgrounds or play structures and/or any other City of Redmond park area under management and control of the Parks and Recreation Department.

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- (l) "Non-motorized watercraft" shall mean those floating devices which are designed to support or help support a person or persons.
- (m) "Motorized watercraft" shall mean those floating devices which are designed to be propelled by the use of internal combustion engines or electric motors. Inflatable, motorized watercraft may be included in this definition if they are propelled by the use of internal combustion engines or electric motors.
- (n) "Swimming season" shall mean the period of time, as designated by the Director, from approximately mid-June to the first week in September, when lifeguards are on daily duty at park swimming beaches.
- (o) "Non-swimming season" shall mean that portion of the year which has not been designated as the swimming season.

Section 2. Pets. Section 9.32.070 of the Redmond Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

9.32.070 Animals Running at Large Prohibited.

- (A) It is unlawful for any person to allow or permit any dog or other pet to run at large in any park, except guide or service dogs or dogs used by a public law enforcement officer, or Fire Department personnel, to enter any public beach, swimming or wading area, pond, fountain, stream or organized athletic areas thereon, except in areas specifically designated by the Director for the exercising of pets. Provided that, except in areas in which animals are prohibited, dogs or other pets are permitted in a park if on a leash or otherwise securely caged or securely restrained

from running free. The Director may ban dogs and other pets from areas of any parks where he/she determines the same may be a nuisance. Any person with a dog or other pets in his/her possession in any park shall be responsible for both the conduct of the animal and have removed from any park feces deposited by such animal.

- (B) It is unlawful for any person to permit any dog or pet to be in the beachfront area of the following park or water recreation area all year:

Idylwood Beach Park--The beachfront area is defined as all area within 150 feet of shoreline.

Section 3. Animals. Section 9.32.080 of the Redmond Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

9.32.080 Teasing, annoying or injuring animals prohibited.

- (A) It is unlawful for any person in any park, in any manner, to tease, annoy, disturb, molest, catch, injure or kill, feed or throw any stone or missile of any kind at or strike with any stick or weapon any animal, bird or fowl; or to catch any fish or feed any fowl except at those places as may be so designated for the catching of fish or the feeding of fowl by the Director.
- (B) Disturbance by animals. It is unlawful for any person to permit any dog or other pet, whether on or off a leash, to disturb or harass any park personnel, users, farm animals, wildlife or other pets.

Section 4. Use of Watercraft. A new section 9.32.107 of the Redmond Municipal Code is hereby added to read as follows:

9.32.107 Landing, Launching, Docking, and Use of Watercraft--Prohibited. It is unlawful for any person to land, launch, dock, or use any watercraft in or at any swimming area.

Section 6. Water Skiing. A new section 9.32.108 of the Redmond Municipal Code is hereby added to read as follows:

9.32.108 Water Skiing Prohibited. It is unlawful for any person to water ski from shore, dock, or any portion of the following park or water recreation area:

Idylwood Park.

Section 7. Watercraft Speed limits - Distance. A new section 9.32.165 of the Redmond Municipal Code is hereby added to read as follows:

9.32.165 Speed Limits--Distance Limitations. It is unlawful for any person to operate any watercraft at speeds in excess of 7 knots within 300 feet of any swimming area, dock or park shoreline; or to approach closer than 100 feet to any such swimming area, except for an emergency threatening life or property; or in areas designated by the Director, or as necessary to access the property of the operator of the watercraft.

Section 8. Overnight Moorage. A new section 9.32.175 of the Redmond Municipal Code is hereby added to read as follows:

9.32.175 Overnight Moorage Prohibited. It is unlawful for any person to moor a watercraft overnight in any park, except by permit of the Director.

Section 9. Swimming. A new section 9.32.185 of the Redmond Municipal Code is hereby added to read as follows:

9.32.185 Swimming in Designated Areas Only. Swimming areas shall be marked with buoys lines, log booms, or other markers, clearly designating the boundaries of such areas. Swimming shall be permitted only within these areas.

Swimmers must obey all posted beach rules and/or the instructions of lifeguards or other Parks Department personnel. False alarm of drowning is prohibited. No person shall give or transmit a false signal or make a false pretense of drowning in any manner.

Section 10. Games. A new section 9.32.195 of the Redmond Municipal Code is hereby added to read as follows:

9.32.195 Games on beaches. At times large, uncrowded beach areas can safely permit some games. Such games shall be permitted only with the consent of the lifeguards, or other Parks Department personnel.

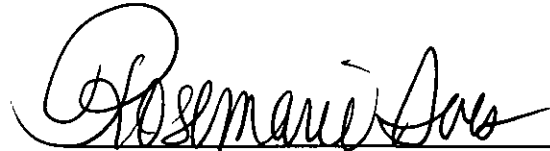
Section 11. Motorized Models. A new section 9.32.215 of the Redmond Municipal Code is hereby added to read as follows:

9.32.215 Operation of motorized models prohibited. It is unlawful for any person to operate any motorized model aircraft, rocket or watercraft in any park, except as authorized by the Director.

Section 12. Effective Date. This ordinance, being an exercise of a power specifically delegated to the City legislative body, is not subject to referendum, and shall be in full force and effect five (5) days after passage and publication of an approved summary consisting of the title to this ordinance.

Section 13. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance.

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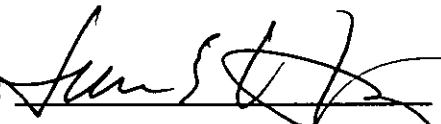
  
MAYOR ROSEMARIE IVES

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

  
CITY CLERK, DORIS SCHAIBLE

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY:

By: 

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