

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING)
METRO CODE TITLE X, METRO)
REGIONAL PARKS AND GREENSPACES,)
TO INCREASE PARK FEES.)

ORDINANCE NO.01-894
Introduced by Mike Burton
Executive Officer

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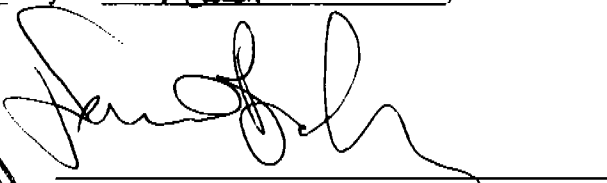
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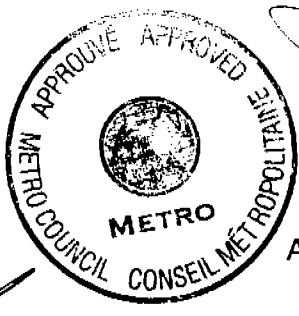
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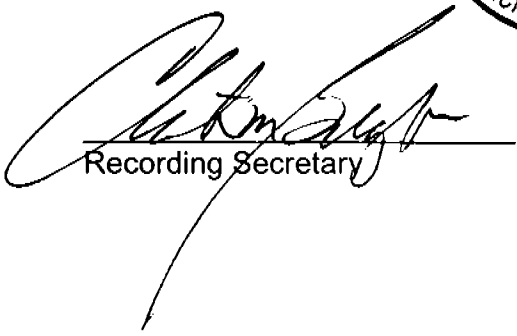


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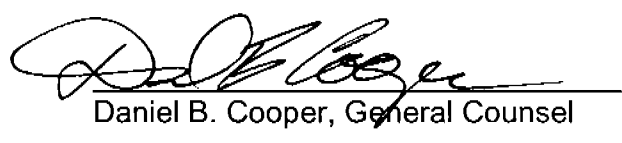


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Approved as to Form:

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REGIONAL PARKS AND GREENSPACES STAFF REPORT

CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE NO. 01-894 FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING METRO CODE TITLE X, METRO REGIONAL PARKS AND GREENSPACES, TO INCREASE PARK FEES.

Date: February 7, 2001

Presented by:
Charles Ciecko, Director
Dan Kromer, O & M Manager
Regional Parks and Greenspaces

Proposed Action

Ordinance No. 01-894 requests approval by Metro Council to amend Metro Code Title X, Metro Regional Parks and Greenspaces, to increase certain park fees.

Existing Legislation

Metro Code 1.01.010 allows the use of an ordinance to add on to, amend, correct or repeal all or any part or portion of the Metro Code. Metro Code 10.01.010 establishes the purpose to provide regulations governing the use of Metro owned or operated Regional Parks and Greenspaces facilities while section 10.02.010 establishes park fees pursuant 10.01.010.

Background and Analysis

User fee surveys on facilities in the region comparable to Metro's Regional Parks and Greenspaces facilities have recently been conducted. Based on this survey and facility upgrades that have been completed, it has been determined that increases in certain fees are warranted at Metro park facilities. Regional Parks and Greenspaces is proposing to raise the following fees: picnic reservation fees at Oxbow and Blue Lake, alcohol permit fees associated with picnic reservations, camping fees at Oxbow, rental fees charged at the Lake House, and cemetery grave prices. The last time fees were increased was in 1997 except Lake House rental fees, which were raised in 1998. User fees for Regional Parks and Greenspaces facilities are a part of Metro Code Title X. Any changes to these user fees are subject to Council approval.

The Regional Parks and Greenspaces Advisory Committee, at their February 6, 2000 meeting, approved staff's recommendation to increase these fees.

The purposed fee increases do not reflect a possible future increase in park fees to offset costs associated with an IGA with the City of Fairview for police services provided by the City at Blue Lake Regional Park and Chinook Landing Marine Park. Negotiations have not yet concluded between staff from the Executive Office and the City of Fairview regarding the details on this IGA.

Findings

- Changes in park fees under Metro Code 10.01.02 require Council approval.
- User fee surveys conducted on facilities from around the region comparable to Regional Parks and Greenspaces facilities justifies an increase to park fees.
- Park fees, except the Lake House, have not increased since 1997.
- Increase in park fees will help offset the current Regional Parks and Greenspaces operations deficit.

The following is a summary of proposed changes:

<u>Fee</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
Alcohol Permit		
Area capacity 51+	\$150	\$175
Area Capacity 0-50	\$ 85	\$100
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Cemeteries		
Grave Prices	\$600 - \$750	\$800
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Budget Impact:

The budget impact to Regional Parks and Greenspaces from this ordinance is an increase in user fees of approximately \$50,000 excluding Excise Tax. No other budget impacts are anticipated.

Executive Officer’s Recommendation:

The Executive Officer recommends adoption of Resolution No. 01- 894.