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Agenda Item No. 37
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Submitted by: Donald M. Tripp, Director of

Parks and Recreation

AGENDA HEADING:

Approval to amend Chapter 74-92, Consumption of alcohol; intoxication, of the City Code.

SYNOPSIS:

Approval to amend Chapter 74-92, Consumption of alcohol; intoxication, section of the City Code to allow consumption and sale of alcohol, within "Western Gateway Park" under the issuance of a Park Use Permit from the Park and Recreation Director. The proposed change would remove the necessity for approval by the Park and Recreation Board.

FISCAL IMPACT: NONE

Amount: N/A

Funding Source: N/A

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

With the completion of the John and Mary Pappajohn Sculpture Park, the Park and Recreation Department anticipates requests for the consumption and sale of alcohol within "Western Gateway Park". On September 22, 2009, the Park and Recreation Board approved the recommended changes to the City Code, section 74-92, regarding granting the authority for the consumption and sale of alcohol to be issued through a Park Use Permit from the Park and Recreation Director. This authority was previously held by the Park and Recreation Board; however, staff anticipates numerous requests for receptions and social events. Changing this authority from the Park and Recreation Board to the Park and Recreation Director will allow for a more timely approval process, which we will assist in increased rentals and uses within "Western Gateway Park".

Park and Recreation staff and the Park and Recreation Board anticipates that these types of requests, along with weddings and other social receptions will be increasing, and is therefore recommending that Chapter 74-92 of the City Code be amended to approve the consumption and sale of alcohol within "Western Gateway Park," upon receipt of an approved permit from the Park and Recreation Director.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):

Date: September 22, 2009

<u>Action</u>: Approved recommendation to the Des Moines City Council to amend Chapter 74-92 of the City Code regarding the use of liquor with a permit approved by the Park and Recreation Director has been obtained.

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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