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Agenda Item Number

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Date March 25, 2019

APPROVAL OF RULES FOR SKATEPARKS

WHEREAS, the Park and Recreation Board is an advisory board to the Des Moines City Council; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 74-26(a) of the Municipal Code of the City of Des Moines the Park and Recreation Board may prescribe necessary rules and regulations for the conduct, supervision and control of City playgrounds, recreation centers and special facilities, which rules and regulations must be reported to and approved by the City Council in order to be put into effect; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting on February 26, 2019, by Resolution No. 19-018, the Park and Recreation Board voted unanimously to approve the proposed Rules, attached hereto, for skateparks operated by the Parks and Recreation Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa that the attached Rules for skateboard parks are hereby approved and take effect immediately.

(Council Communication No. 19- 112)

Moved by _____ to adopt.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Ann DiDonato

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Assistant City Attorney

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MOTION CARRIED APPROVED

Mayor

CERTIFICATE

I, DIANE RAUH, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

City Clerk

City of Des Moines

Skatepark Rules

- Skateparks will open at 6:00 a.m. and close at 10:00 p.m. Unlit skating facilities, such as Fourmile Skatepark, will close at the same time as the park. No loitering after hours.
- Skateparks are unsupervised facilities; users/spectators use this facility at their own risk.
- It is highly recommended that skaters wear helmets, knee pads, elbow pads, wrist guards and gloves.
- Shirt and shoes are required.
- Children under the age of 6 years old and spectators must remain off the skating surface.
- Skating on curbs, sidewalks, fences, railings, parking areas, or any other areas not designed and intended for skating of the surrounding area of the skate park is prohibited.
- Skating is prohibited when it is raining or when the skating area is wet or has ice on it and/or is covered with debris.
- Only one person is allowed to skate a ramp at one time, and only one person is allowed per skateboard. Do not proceed down a ramp until it is clear.
- No pets are allowed inside the skating area or on the skating surface.
- No unauthorized ramps or other obstacles are allowed.
- No modification to any part of a skatepark is allowed.
- Motorized vehicles including electric skating devices are prohibited.
- Bicycles are not allowed, except at Fourmile Skatepark.
- Rough play, physical contact with other skaters, excessive noise, abusive behavior and profanity is not allowed.
- No food, glass containers, littering or breakable object are permitted on the skating surface or any skating features.
- No alcohol, drugs or tobacco allowed anywhere inside or around the skatepark.
- No smoking within 25 feet of a skatepark.
- All parties are responsible for removing their personal property from the premises upon leaving the skatepark.
- Graffiti, stickers and/or property defacement is not allowed.
- Competitive, demonstration and rental events are prohibited, unless the proper permit is obtained from the City of Des Moines Parks and Recreation Department.
- No one is allowed to clean a skating area using solvents or solutions except City staff/personnel or City-authorized volunteers.

- Skateboarding is a high-risk sport; accident or death resulting from the use of this facility is responsibility of the user. Spectators assume risk for themselves.
- A skatepark is subject to closure in the event of unsafe conditions, special events, rentals or repairs/maintenance.