

ORDINANCE NO. 15-208

CITY OF WOODCREEK, TEXAS

AMENDMENT TO TITLE XV OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES
(LAND USAGE)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF WOODCREEK CODE OF ORDINANCES BY ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 157 (“PARKS AND RECREATION”) TO TITLE XV (“LAND USAGE”), CREATING A PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD APPOINTED BY THE MAYOR, TO ADVISE THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL ON MATTERS PERTAINING TO CITY PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS, AND DRAFT A GENERAL PARKS AND RECREATION PLAN FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF NEW PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS, INCLUDING LANDSCAPING, ROADS, TRAILS, BUILDINGS, AND EQUIPMENT; PROVIDING FOR BOARD MEMBER APPOINTMENTS, TERMS, AND QUALIFICATIONS; MAKING FINDINGS OF FACT, AND PROVIDING FOR ENACTMENT, REPEALER, SEVERABILITY, CODIFICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE, AND FINDING PROPER NOTICE AND MEETING.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, Section 51.001, the City of Woodcreek, Texas has the authority to adopt ordinances and regulations that are for good government, peace and order of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Woodcreek is committed to enhancing the quality of life in the City by providing parks and recreation opportunities; and,

WHEREAS, citizen involvement to facilitate the adoption of policies by providing recommendations and advise to elected officials regarding programs and initiatives governing the acquisition, improvements, maintenance and operation of public parks and other recreational areas, is a public purpose that benefits the City, and;

WHEREAS, the general welfare, health, morals and safety of the citizens of the City will be promoted by the enactment of this Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Woodcreek, Texas:

1. FINDINGS OF FACT

The foregoing recitals are incorporated into this Ordinance by reference as findings of fact as if expressly set forth herein.

2. ENACTMENT

Title XV ("Land Usage") of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Woodcreek is hereby amended so as to insert Chapter 157 ("Parks and Recreation") in accordance with *Attachment A*, which is attached hereto and incorporated into this Ordinance for all intents and purposes.

3. REPEALER

All ordinances, resolutions, or parts thereof, that are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and the provisions of this Ordinance shall be and remain controlling as to the matters regulated, herein.

4. SEVERABILITY

Should any of the clauses, sentences, paragraphs, sections or parts of this Ordinance be deemed invalid, unconstitutional, or unenforceable by a court of law or administrative agency with jurisdiction over the matter, such action shall not be construed to affect any other valid portion of this Ordinance.

5. CODIFICATION

The City Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to record and publish the language of Chapter 157, as amended by this Ordinance, in the City's Code of Ordinances.

6. EFFECTIVE DATE

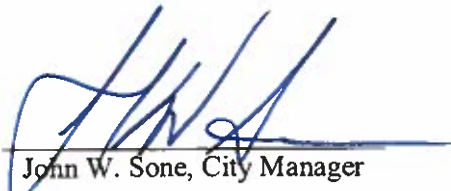
This Ordinance shall be effective May 14, 2015.

PASSED & APPROVED this, the 13th day of May, 2015, by a vote of 4 (ayes) to 0 (nays) and 0 (abstentions) of the City Council of Woodcreek, Texas.

CITY OF WOODCREEK:

by: 
Mayor Michael T. Steinert

ATTEST:


John W. Sone, City Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Bojorquez Law Firm, PC

Attachment "A"

City of Woodcreek

CODE OF ORDINANCES

TITLE XV: LAND USAGE

CHAPTER 157: PARKS AND RECREATION

§ 157.001. PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD CREATED; DUTIES; PLAN.

(A) There is hereby created a Parks and Recreation Board for the city, consisting of five (5) members.

(B) The board shall generally advise the Mayor and City Council on matters pertaining to city parks and recreation areas, including:

(1) the acquisition, development, improvement, equipment, and maintenance of city parks and public playgrounds;

(2) the future development of the city parks, playgrounds, and recreational facilities, and the purchase of additional land for those purposes; and

(3) improvements in the maintenance, operation, and general welfare of the city's parks, playgrounds, and recreational facilities and their use by the public.

(C) The board shall deliberate and draft a general Parks and Recreation Plan for the development of new parks and playgrounds, including landscaping, roads, trails, buildings, and equipment. That plan shall be submitted to the Mayor and City Council for review and further elaboration.

(D) After approval by the City Council of the Parks and Recreation Plan any subsequent evaluations or reviews of the same may be submitted to the board for consideration and advice.

§ 157.002. APPOINTMENTS; TERMS; QUALIFICATIONS.

(A) The Parks and Recreation Board membership shall include residents of the city who are interested in public parks and public recreation. The Mayor, City Administrator/Manager or designee, and the City Attorney are ex officio, non-voting members of the board.

(B) Members of the Parks and Recreation Board shall be appointed by the Mayor and serve terms of two (2) years, and may be reappointed with no limitation on the number of terms one may serve. Terms will begin on January 1 and end on December 31, two years thereafter, except that:

(1) for the board members first appointed after the effective date of this ordinance, the period of time from their initial appointment to the end of the year of their appointment will be added to their term; and provided, further, that:

(2) after the effective date of this ordinance the Mayor shall initially appoint three (3) board members for two (2) year terms and two (2) board members for three (3) year terms, and after such initial appointments all appointments shall be for two (2) year terms.