

ORDINANCE NO. 1007

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND RELATING TO PARKS AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES; CREATING AN ADVISORY BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS; DEFINING THEIR POWERS AND DUTIES; AND REPEALING ORDINANCES NOS. 621 and 864, AND ALL OTHER ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND IN CONFLICT HEREWITH.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Definition. Words used shall have the following meaning:

(a) Park means an area of land, with or without water, developed and used for public recreational purposes, including landscaped tracts, picnic grounds, playgrounds, athletic fields, recreation centers, camps, foot, bicycle and bridle paths, motor vehicle drives, wild-life sanctuaries, museums, zoological and botanical gardens, facilities for bathing, boating, hunting, and fishing, as well as other recreational facilities for the use and benefit of the public.

(b) Board means Board of Park Commissioners.

Section 2. Creation of Board of Park Commissioners and Eligibility. There is hereby created an advisory Board of Park Commissioners, consisting of seven members, who shall be appointed by the mayor, with the consent of the city council, from citizens of recognized fitness for such positions who reside in this city. No commissioner shall receive any compensation for his services. This ordinance is enacted in contemplation of the enactment of an ordinance vesting the administration and control of the park and recreation program in a municipal department, and this ordinance, therefore, is enacted to provide for a park board which possesses only advisory powers.

Section 3. Terms of Commissioners; Filling Vacancies. Of the several terms of office of the initial board, two terms shall expire in one year, two terms shall expire in two years, and three terms shall expire in three years. The first commissioners appointed shall determine by lot whose terms shall expire in one, two and three years respectively, and their terms shall begin after their appointment has been approved by the city council, and upon taking the usual oath of qualification. The terms of office, except the first, shall begin on the first Monday in January, and at the expiration of each commissioner's term, the mayor shall appoint, with the consent of the city council, a successor for a three year term. Members of the Board may be removed at any time by the mayor, with concurrence by the city council, and vacancies for the remainder of unexpired terms shall be filled in the same manner in which original appointments are made.

Section 4. Officers of Board; Meetings; Quorum. Immediately after their appointment, members of the Board shall meet and organize by electing from the members of the Board a president, a secretary, and such other officers as may be necessary. It shall be the duty of the president to preside at all meetings of the Board and of the secretary

to keep minutes of all meetings and of all proceedings of the Board. A majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and four affirmative votes shall be necessary to carry any proposition. A meeting of the Board shall be held at least once a month.

Section 5. Powers and Duties of Board. The Board shall advise the city council, the city manager, and the park and recreation department, regarding the general supervision and control of all parks and recreational facilities and programs of the city. The Board shall have the power to advise regarding conduct of any form of recreation or cultural activity that will employ the leisure time of the people in a constructive and wholesome manner, and shall advise regarding control and supervision of all parks belonging to said City, and advise regarding planning, promotion, management and acquisition, construction, development, maintenance, and operation, including restrictions on, and compensation to be paid for, concessions or privileges in parks and/or playgrounds, either within or without the city limits, of parks, squares, parkways and boulevards, play and recreation grounds, and/or other municipally owned recreational facilities, including community buildings, and improvement and ornamentation of the same; make recommendations regarding entering into written contracts with the United States, the State of Washington, any county, city or town, park district, school district, or any such public organizations for the purpose of conducting a recreational program or exercising any other power granted by this ordinance.

The Board shall submit to the City Council through the city manager each year recommendations for the development of the park and recreation program and facilities as it may deem advisable, for the information and guidance of the city council in preparing the budget, for the operation and maintenance of the city parks, the recreational program and the necessary facilities, and the acquisition of land, structures, or facilities needed therefor. The Board may recommend rules and regulations for the management, supervision, and control of city parks and recreational facilities and programs.

Section 6. Repealed Ordinances. Ordinance Nos. 621 & 864, and all other ordinances or parts of ordinances of the city in conflict are hereby repealed.

Section 7. This ordinance shall be in force and take effect five days from and after its passage by the Council and publication as required.

PASSED by the Kirkland City Council in regular meeting on the 6th day of December, 1965.

SIGNED in authentication thereof on the 6th day of December, 1965.

James L. Veery
Mayor

Attest:

George E. Anderson
City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Ralph Thomas
City Attorney