TITLE 11

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SEC. 11-1-1 PARK REGULATIONS.

- (a) **Definitions.** The term "park" as hereinafter used in this Chapter shall include all grounds, structures and watercourses which are or may be located within any area dedicated to the public use as a park, parkway, recreation facility or conservancy district in the City.
- (b) Purpose and Authority. In order to protect the parks, parkways, recreational facilities and conservancy areas within the City from injury, damage or desecration, and to promote public safety, health and sanitation, the Public Works Director is authorized to develop rules and regulations regarding the public use of the parks, parkways, recreational facilities and conservancy areas within the City. The City Council shall adopt, by resolution, rules, regulations and amendments thereto, proposed by the Public Works Director which it deems to be in the best interest of the public.
- (c) **Enforcement**. The City Council shall adopt, by resolution, procedures and penalties related to the enforcement of the rules and regulations adopted to regulate the public use of the parks, parkways, recreational facilities and conservancy areas within the City.
- (d) Specific Regulations.
 - (1) Pets. No person shall permit any dog, cat or other pet owned by him to run at large in any park.

- (2) Bill Posting. No person shall post, paste, fasten, paint or attach any placard, bill, notice, sign or advertising matter upon any structure, tree or other natural object in any park, except park regulations and other signs authorized by the Common Council.
- (3) Throwing Stones and Missiles Prohibited. No person shall throw stones or other missiles in or into any park.
- (4) Removal of Park Equipment Prohibited. No person shall remove benches, seats, tables or other park equipment from any park.
- (5) Trapping. No person shall trap in any park unless specific written authority is first obtained from the Common Council.
- (6) Making of Fires. No person shall start, tend or maintain a fire except in personal grills or designated fireplace(s). The use of personal grills is permitted provided lawns and vegetation are not endangered. Unburned fuel and ashes shall be disposed of in such a manner as to prevent fire or damage to any park property.
- (7) Protection of Park Property. No person shall kill, injure or disturb or attempt to injure or disturb waterfowl, birds or animals, wild or domestic within any park, except as permitted by this Chapter. No person shall climb any tree or remove flowers or fruit, wild or cultivated, or break, cut down, trample upon, remove or in any manner injure, deface, write upon or ill use any tree, shrub, flower, flower bed, turf, soil, sand, fountain, ornament, building, structure, apparatus, bench, table, official notice, sign or other property within any park.
- (8) Motor Vehicles in Parks. No person shall park or operate any motor vehicle in any park in the City except in a designated public parking area or public roadway.
- (9) Fees and Charges. The Common Council shall have the authority to establish such fees as deemed necessary for use of any park facility, shelter or land area. It shall be unlawful to use such areas without payment of such fee or charge when required.

SEC. 11-1-2 TURF PROTECTION ON PUBLIC PROPERTY.

Except as authorized by the Common Council, no person shall dig into the turf of any City-owned park property for any purposes whatsoever or remove any trees or flowers.

SEC. 11-1-3 PARK HOURS.

- (a) Park Hours. Except as otherwise authorized by the City Council, all City parks shall be closed from 11:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. the following day. It shall be unlawful to enter in or be upon any park, playground or swimming pool during the hours when they are closed.
- (b) Park Closing and Opening Dates. The Common Council shall open and close any park, swimming pool, recreational facility or area because of season, condition, construction or when, in the interest of public safety, it is deemed necessary.

SEC. 11-1-4 ADOPTION OF STATE STATUTES.

The following statutes are adopted by reference and the penalty for the commission of such offenses shall be the forfeiture imposed pursuant to Section 1-1-7.

Chapter 29 Wis. Stats.

Sections 30.50 through 30.99 Wis. Stats.

Section 167.31(2)(a) Wis. Stats.

Section 167.31(2)(b) Wis. Stats.

Section 167.31(2)(c) Wis. Stats.

Section 167.31(2)(d) Wis. Stats.