

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-3

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE 1.10 "PARKS" OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF BASTROP REGARDING MEMBERSHIP ON THE PARKS BOARD AND RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS RELATED TO SAME; PROVIDING FOR SEVERANCE AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Bastrop is committed to advancing sound park and recreation planning and programming; and

WHEREAS, the population of the City and the County of Bastrop has grown considerably in recent years and the pressures on the City of Bastrop's parks system is expected to increase due to the demand for increased development; and

WHEREAS, in order to ensure that the City of Bastrop is aware of all of how City parks relate to and work in concert with other parks in the Bastrop area, including the Bastrop State Park, the City Council has determined that it is in the public interest to expand the area from which members may be selected.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS:

Part 1: Article 1.10 "Parks," Section 1.10.001 "Parks board" is hereby amended to provide as follows:

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- (a) ~~Created; composition; compensation; appointment.~~ There is hereby created a parks board of the city to be composed of eight (8) regular members' and one (1) 'special member', for a total of nine (9) Voting members. In addition, in their discretion, the parks board may identify and name one minor, who resides within the BISD jurisdiction, to serve on the board as an *ex officio*, non-voting 'youth member' of the board. The youth member shall be enrolled in grades 9-12 and serve a term in length identified by the parks board at the time of the youth member's selection, but not to exceed three (3) consecutive years. The regular and special voting members of the board shall be appointed by the mayor and confirmed by the city council and shall serve without compensation by the city for terms of three (3) years. The members shall be known to be interested in public parks and public recreation and the proper use of the leisure time of the people of the city.

The 'special member' position on the board shall be held by the superintendent of the Bastrop state park, or his/her designee, who may reside either within the city limits or in any other area within the BISD's jurisdiction.

A minimum of six (6) of the regular members on the board will be persons who reside within the city limits, however two (2) of the regular members may be a person who resides outside of the city limits but within the BISD's jurisdiction.

Paragraphs (b) through (d) remain unchanged.

Part 2: All other provisions of Article 1.10 "Parks" that are not amended hereby shall remain in full force and effect.

Part 3: This Ordinance shall take effect upon the date of final passage noted below, or when all applicable hearing and publication requirements, if any, are satisfied in accordance with the City's Charter, Code of Ordinances, and the laws of State of Texas.

READ and Acknowledged on First Reading on the 25th day of March, 2014.

READ and Adopted on Second Reading on the 8th day of April , 2014.

APPROVED:



Terry Orr, Mayor

ATTEST:



Elizabeth Lopez, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Jo-Christy Brown.
City Attorney, City of Bastrop