From: Alice Morehouse <alicemorehouse@outlook.com>

Sent: Friday, November 11, 2022 2:46 PM

To: Park Commission <pacommission@cityofmadison.com>

Subject: Re: Dogs in Parks

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## Dog friendly please.

**From:** Park Commission < <u>pacommission@cityofmadison.com</u>>

Sent: Tuesday, November 8, 2022 7:51 PM

To: Alice Morehouse <a href="mailto:alicemorehouse@outlook.com">alicemorehouse@outlook.com</a>>

Subject: RE: Dogs in Parks

## Dear Alice,

To be sure that your stance is entered correctly- what recommendation makes good sense to you: to keep it dog friendly or change it to dog free?

## Thank you.

From: Alice Morehouse <a href="mailto:alicemorehouse@outlook.com">alicemorehouse@outlook.com</a>>

Sent: Sunday, November 6, 2022 11:05 AM

To: Park Commission <pacommission@cityofmadison.com>

Subject: Re: Dogs in Parks

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Thank you so much, the paper that you sent help greatly to understand what is going on. Since the paper only lists one request to make Portland Park dog free it does not seem like there is a tidal wave of concerns about the current situation. The recommendation makes good sense.

## Alice

From: Park Commission commission@cityofmadison.com>

**Sent:** Monday, October 31, 2022 5:13 PM

To: Alice Morehouse <a href="mailto:alicemorehouse@outlook.com">alicemorehouse@outlook.com</a>>

Subject: RE: Dogs in Parks

Dear Alice,

Your stance will be attached to the file for the November meeting.

As to why it's being reviewed, please see the attached memo explaining the process for reviewing Dog Park Status. Hopefully it will answer your question. Of note, see paragraph 4: "The public process in

2022 included an online form for residents to submit their request and postcards were sent to residents near parks that had received a request for a change..."

If this doesn't answer your question, please feel free to contact us.

Respectfully, City of Madison Parks Division

From: Alice Morehouse <alicemorehouse@outlook.com>

**Sent:** Sunday, October 30, 2022 2:51 PM

To: Park Commission < pacommission@cityofmadison.com >

**Subject:** Dogs in Parks

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I am quite confused about the status of dogs in the Portland Park on Portland Parkway. Late last week sign appeared at the park entrance indicating that there had been requests to change the dog status of the park and that comments were due by 11/9.

I live adjacent to the park and I have no information about what the issues are that brought about the requests to change the status of the park. I don't find that park listed on the blog for the November 9 meeting. I don't see any place where I can learn more to make an informed set of comments about this issue.

I will continue to search but I would be appreciative to understand what caused this to be discussed. Yes, dogs are in the park, yes they are not always leashed but I don't observe enough dogs to understand the problem.

This seems like an odd way to get feedback, two small signs in the park at a time of year when the use of the park starts to slow because of the weather. How can you obtain balanced comments if the people who use the park are not informed?

Please direct me to the location of the back up material for this request so I can understand what problem this change will solve.