



Legislation Text

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Fiscal Note

Infrastructure costs for items such as fencing associated with the establishment of these dog parks will be funded using available resources in the Dogs in Parks Fund. Estimated annual operating costs of \$9,000 will be provided in the Parks Operating Budget, funded via revenue from Annual Dog Park Permits. There is no anticipated impact upon the tax levy. No appropriation is required.

Title

Amending Sec. 23.32(2) of the Madison General Ordinances to add Demetral Field and the McCormick Avenue Greenway as off-leash dog parks.

Body

DRAFTER'S ANALYSIS: This ordinance adds portions of Demetral Field and the McCormick Avenue Greenway (located west of McCormick Ave., north of Commercial Ave., east of Starkweather Creek and Southwest of Aberg Ave.), as permissible off-leash dog parks. These new areas will be posted and fenced. City Engineering has approved the use of both areas for use as dog parks as Demetral Field is a Madison Sewer Utility parcel, and the McCormick Avenue Greenway is a Stormwater Utility parcel. In addition, the State Department of Natural Resources has approved the use of Demetral Field, a former landfill site, as a dog park.

The Common Council of the City of Madison do hereby ordain as follows:

The introductory paragraph of Subsection (2) of Section 23.32 entitled "Regulation of Dogs and Cats Running at Large" of the Madison General Ordinances is amended to read as follows:

"(2) Dogs are permitted to run unleashed in the posted areas of Brittingham Park at Broom Street, Quann Park, Sycamore Park, Lucia Crest Park between 5:00 a.m. and 7:30 a.m. only, Demetral Field, the McCormick Avenue Greenway (located west of McCormick Ave., north of Commercial Ave., east of Starkweather Creek, and south of Aberg Ave.), and south of the lagoon in Warner Park under all of the following conditions:"