ORDINANCE NO. 488

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LA QUINTA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING TITLE 11 OF THE LA QUINTA MUNICIPAL CODE, TO ADD SECTION 11.44.100 – DOG PARK RULES AND REGULATIONS.

WHEREAS, the City wishes to amend the La Quinta Municipal Code to regulate rules for all dog parks; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of La Quinta does ordain as follows:

SECTION 11.44.100. Section 11.44.100 is hereby added to Title 11, the "PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS" Chapter of the La Quinta Municipal Code, reads in its entirety as follows:

Section 11.44.100 Dog Park Rules and Regulations.

- A. Dog parks are to be used by dog owners (handlers) and their dogs only. All other activities are prohibited.
- B. Dog owners using the dog park are using it at their own risk.
- C. The City is not responsible for injuries to people and dogs or illnesses dogs may contract.
- D. The City reserves the right to eject anyone from the dog park at any time for any reason.
- E. Adults must accompany children 12 years old and younger.
- F. Dog Park hours are 6 a.m. to 10 p.m.
- G. Dogs must never be left unattended.
- H. All dogs must have current vaccinations and a current City dog license.
- I. Unruly dogs are not allowed.
- J. Female dogs in Estrus (heat) are not allowed.
- K. Dogs are only allowed in the area that is designated for their weight class.

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- L. Dogs in small dog areas are to be 25 lbs. or less.
- M. Dog owners must clean up after their dog(s).
- N. Owners must stop their dog(s) from digging. Any holes created must be filled by the owner of the dog(s).
- O. No smoking, alcohol, or drug use is permitted.
- P. No loitering permitted in the designated dog park.
- Q. Unauthorized pieces of equipment, obstacles, or apparatus are not allowed in the designated dog park (skateboards, scooters, bicycles, etc.).
- R. No dog food (e.g., dog treats) or human food allowed in the dog park.
- S. Glass containers are not allowed in the dog park.
- T. Special events or contests are not allowed in the dog park without first obtaining written authorization from the City.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of La Quinta at a regular meeting thereof held on the 19th day of July, 2011, by the following vote:

AYES:

Council Members Evans, Franklin, Henderson, Mayor Adolph

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

Council Member Sniff

ABSTAIN:

None

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ATTEST:

VERONICA MONTECINO, City Clerk

City of La Quinta, California

(CITY SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

M. KATHERINE JENSON, City Attorney City of La Quinta, California

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE) ss.
CITY OF LA QUINTA)

I, VERONICA J. MONTECINO, City Clerk of the City of La Quinta, California, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a full, true, and correct copy of Ordinance No. 488 which was introduced at a regular meeting on the 5th day of July 2011, and was adopted at a regular meeting held on the 19th day of July 2011, not being less than 5 days after the date of introduction thereof.

I further certify that the foregoing Ordinance was posted in three places within the City of La Quinta as specified in City Council Resolution No. 2006-115.

VERONICA J MONTECINO, CMC, City Clerk

City of La Quinta, California

DECLARATION OF POSTING

VERONICA MONTECINO, CMC, City Clerk

City of La Quinta, California