

ORDINANCE NO. 1182

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKLIN TO AMEND SECTION 12.20.045(C) AND ADD ENFORCEMENT PROVISIONS AS SECTION 12.20.046 TO THE ROCKLIN MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING THE PROHIBITED USE OF MOTORIZED VEHICLES IN RECREATION AREAS

WHEREAS, Section VII of Article XI of the California Constitution provides that a City may make and enforce within its limits all local, police, sanitary, and other ordinances and regulations not in conflict with general laws; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it necessary to update, consolidate, and streamline the Rocklin Municipal Code ("RMC") periodically to comply with recent law enactments and decisions and to achieve more efficient enforcement of code violations to promote public health, safety, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Rocklin has identified the need to amend Rocklin Municipal Code Section 12.20.045(C) to address motorized vehicles in recreational areas, including playgrounds, pump tracks, and skate parks, and to add enforcement provisions for violations of the chapter; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has identified the need to hold parents and legal guardians accountable for the actions of minors who violate the provisions of the Rocklin Municipal Code within recreational areas.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKLIN DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Findings. The findings and recitals set forth above are true and correct.

Section 2. Purpose. The purpose of this proposed ordinance is to modify Rocklin Municipal Code Section 12.20.045(C) to regulate the operation of motorized vehicles in recreational areas and to establish enforcement provisions for violations of this section.

Section 3. Authority. The City Council enacts this ordinance under the authority granted to cities by Article XI, Section 7 of the California Constitution and Government Code section 37100.

Section 4. Amendment. Section 12.20.045 of the Rocklin Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

12.20.045 Restrictions in all Recreation Areas

It shall be unlawful and a violation of this chapter for any person to:

- A. Enter or remain on the premises after the established closing hours.
- B. Operate or park a vehicle in other than designated areas or over established roads.
- C. Operate any motorized vehicle, whether gas or electric powered, whether licensed or unlicensed, within any recreation area as that term is defined in 12.20.015, including but not limited to any playground area, pump track, or skate park, unless performing work for the City of Rocklin. The term motorized vehicle includes but is not limited to any and all vehicles commonly known as automobiles, motorcycles, E-Conveyances, E-Skateboards, E-Bikes, and E-Scooters.
- D. Park or allow any vehicle to remain in excess of eight consecutive hours.
- E. Start or maintain fires in parks, except for barbecuing food, using established barbecue facilities or personal portable barbecues within designated picnic areas. No person shall fail to fully extinguish live coals, embers, or fires before leaving the barbecue facilities or picnic area.
- F. Allow or permit any person under the age of six under their custody, jurisdiction, or control to enter or remain without providing adequate supervision.
- G. Leave, drop, place, or deposit any trash, except in receptacles provided for trash.
- H. Conduct or carry on an assembly of more than twenty-five people in a park, which assembly is intended or can reasonably be expected to last more than thirty minutes or does in fact last more than thirty minutes, without first obtaining a permit from the director.
- I. Remain at an assembly or public demonstration after having been requested to leave by a peace officer.

12.20.046 Enforcement Provisions

- A. Responsibility of parent(s) or guardian(s). No parent or guardian of any minor child or ward shall authorize or knowingly permit any minor child or ward of that parent or guardian to violate any of the provisions of this chapter.
- B. Penalty for violations. Every person violating any provisions of this Chapter shall be subject to the penalties provided for in Chapter 1.14, including but not limited to 1.14.023 of the Rocklin Municipal Code and any or all other remedies allowed by applicable law. Each and every parent or legal guardian of a minor who violates this chapter shall be liable for the penalties and payment of civil

damages pursuant to Civil Code Section 1714.1(b) to the fullest extent applicable.

C. Violation severity. Violation of any section of this chapter may be charged as either a misdemeanor or an infraction at the discretion of the city attorney.

Section 5. Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance. The City Council hereby declares that it would have adopted this ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, phrases, or portions to be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

Section 6. Environmental Analysis. The City Council hereby finds that this ordinance is not subject to review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Sections 15060, subdivision (c)(2) (the activity will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment) and 15061, subdivision (b)(3) (there is no possibility the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment) of the CEQA Guidelines, California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3, because it has no potential for resulting in physical change to the environment, directly or indirectly.

Section 7. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after the day of its adoption.

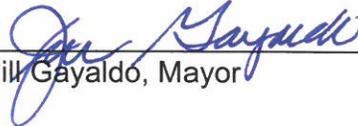
Section 8. Publication. Within fifteen days of the passage of this ordinance, the City Clerk shall cause the full text of the ordinance, with the names of those City Council members voting for and against the ordinance, to be published in the Placer Herald. In lieu of publishing the full text of the ordinance, the City Clerk, if so directed by the City Attorney and within fifteen days, shall cause a summary of the ordinance, prepared by the City Attorney and with the names of the City Council members voting for and against the ordinance, to be published in the Placer Herald, and shall post in the office of the City Clerk a certified copy of the City Council members voting for and against the ordinance.

INTRODUCED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Rocklin held on November 19, 2024, by the following vote:

AYES:	Councilmembers: Bass, Broadway, Gayaldo, Halldin, Janda
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Rocklin held on December 10, 2024, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers: Bass, Broadway, Gayaldo, Halldin, Janda
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None



Jill Gayaldo, Mayor

ATTEST:



Avinta Singh, City Clerk

First Reading: 11.19.2024
Second Reading: 12.10.2024
Effective Date: 1.09.2025