

ORDINANCE NO. 364-2023

An Ordinance Establishing Permitted Uses of the Dumpsters and Other Trash Receptacles on City Parks and Campgrounds and Establishing Penalties for Prohibited Uses

WHEREAS, the City provides dumpsters and other trash receptacles at its parks and campgrounds which are intended for the public's use while utilizing said City property;

WHEREAS, numerous individuals have utilized the dumpsters and other trash receptacles at the City's parks and campgrounds to dispose of their own household trash, appliances, animal carcasses, hazardous waste, construction materials, or any other garbage or litter which were nonincidental to their use of the City's parks and campgrounds;

WHEREAS, the City currently has no ordinances in effect to prevent any misuse of the dumpsters and other trash receptacles at its parks and campgrounds;

WHEREAS, the City seeks to establish permitted as well as prohibited uses of the dumpsters and other trash receptacles at its parks and campgrounds;

WHEREAS, the City seeks to establish penalties for misusing the dumpsters and other trash receptacles at its parks and campgrounds to deter such misuse and provide for effective enforcement options;

WHEREAS, the City Council deems it appropriate to regulate the public's use of the dumpsters and other trash receptacles at the City's parks and campgrounds and provide for enforcement of the same;

WHEREAS, the City Council shall have their first reading of the proposed amendments on Tuesday, February 21, 2023;

WHEREAS, a public hearing on the final adoption of the proposed amendment shall be held on Monday, March 6, 2023, at the Columbus City Hall;

WHEREAS, notice of the public hearing will be published in the Stillwater County News on March 2, 2023;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL of the City of Columbus, Montana, pursuant to the authority granted under Title 7, Chapter 16, Part 41, MCA, the following:

That the additions to the City's streets, sidewalks, and public places ordinances as outlined in "Exhibit A" are hereby adopted, and that all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith shall be repealed upon the effective date of this Ordinance.

This ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after its passage and approval.

PASSED by the City Council and approved by the Mayor this 6 day of MARCH 2023.


Webb Mandeville, Mayor

ATTEST:


Cherrie McAlexander, City Clerk

EXHIBIT A

Chapter 12.29 – Park Dumpsters & Trash Receptables

12.29.010. Park Dumpsters & Other Trash Receptables – Permitted Uses.

For any dumpsters or other trash receptables located at City parks or campgrounds, only trash generated while using the park or campground may be deposited into the dumpster or receptable.

12.29.020. Prohibited Uses.

No household trash, appliances, animal carcasses, hazardous waste, construction materials, or any other similar items may be deposited into any dumpsters or other trash receptables located at City parks or campgrounds.

12.29.030. Required Signage.

The Public Works Director shall cause to be erected appropriate signs or other markings, or both, which designate the permitted uses as well as the prohibited uses of any dumpsters or other trash receptables located at City parks or campgrounds.

12.29.040. Violation-Penalty.

Any person violating any provision of this chapter is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be punished by a fine of up to \$250 for a first offense. For a second or subsequent conviction, the person shall be punished by a fine of up to \$500.