

City Council Agenda Item 3.A
Meeting of June 15, 2026



Title: Purgatory Park Off-Leash Dog Area Evaluation

Report from: Matt Kumka, Park and Trail Project Manager
Rachel Meehan, Police Captain

Submitted through: Will Manchester, Public Works Director
Erik Nilsson, City Attorney
Mike Funk, City Manager

Presenter: Matt Kumka, Park and Trail Planner and Rachel Meehan, Police Captain

Action Requested: Provide staff with feedback and direction.

Summary Statement

At the Aug. 25, 2025, city council meeting, council approved moving forward with an off-leash dog area plan for Purgatory Park. The plan consisted of installing signage that would designate two off-leash areas in the southern half of the park, along with an off-leash dog corridor to the west of a high value prairie area to connect the main parking lot with the southern areas. Direction was provided to collect information to assess the compliance and effectiveness of the plan in containing off-leash dogs in the designated off-leash areas. That information will be presented to the council, along with options for moving forward.

Strategic Plan Relatability

Safe & Healthy Community

The Purgatory Park off-leash dog implementation plan supports the infrastructure and asset management desired outcome 5.3, to enhance safety, walkability and connectivity of the trail system.

Background

See attached supplemental background report.

Discussion Questions

1. Does council choose to proceed with one of the 4 proposed options?
2. What enforcement actions does council prefer moving forward, including in the interim of implementation of the options proposed?

ATTACHMENTS:

[Supplemental Background Report](#)

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