



City Council Special Staff Report

Subject: Rocklin Municipal Code Amendments Regarding the Prohibited Use of Motorized Vehicles in Recreation Areas

Date: November 19, 2024

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Department: Parks and Recreation

Recommendation:

Conduct a Public Hearing and Consider the Following Action: Introduce, Waive Full Reading, and Read by Title Only, 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.

Background:

Due to concerns about the safety risks posed by e-scooters, e-bikes and other motorized vehicles in the community, staff recommends amendments to the Rocklin Municipal Code (RMC) as presented with this item. In an effort to keep recreation areas, including playgrounds, the pump track, and the skate park, free from the safety risks associated with motorized vehicle use, staff proposes modifications to RMC Section 12.20.045(C) and the addition of 12.20.046 to the RMC, summarized as follows:

- Prohibit the use of all motorized vehicles, including e-scooters, e-bikes, and electric skateboards, in recreation areas, playgrounds, pump tracks, and skate parks, unless the motorized vehicle is operated by the City of Rocklin for work-related purposes.
- Add enforcement provisions under Section 12.20.046, holding parents or legal guardians responsible for violations committed by minors, and establishing penalties for non-compliance.

The changes are intended to maintain and improve safety in recreational areas by prohibiting the dangerous use of unauthorized motorized vehicles from these spaces and thereby, and allowing for enforcement and penalties for violations of these rules, thereby reducing potential risks to park attendees and users.

Fiscal Impact:

The proposed Ordinance provides authority to impose penalties on those who violate it. Any fines or penalties collected through enforcement would help offset the City's compliance management costs in recreational areas. However, these revenues are expected to be minimal and largely balanced by the staff time and resources needed for enforcement

activities.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. [Ordinance](#)
2. [Rocklin Municipal Code Language Changes \(Redline\)](#)