

## **ORDINANCE 1000**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE III, CHAPTER 31, SECTION 31.18 OF THE GOTHENBURG CODE OF ORDINANCES; RENAMING THE RECREATION COMMITTEE; REVISING THE DUTIES OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOTHENBURG, NEBRASKA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Title III, Chapter 31, is hereby amended by amending Section 31.18 of the Gothenburg Code of Ordinances to read as follows:

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The Parks & Recreation Board shall be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by a majority vote of the elected members of the City Council. The Board shall consist of five (5) members, whom shall be resident freeholders in the city. The members of the Board shall serve a three-year term of office unless reappointed. The Board shall serve without compensation and may be required, in the discretion of the City Council, to give a bond in a sum set by resolution of the City Council and conditioned upon the faithful performance of its duties.

At the time of the Board's first meeting in January of each year, the Board shall organize by selecting from their number a chairperson, vice chairperson, and secretary. It shall be the duty of the secretary to keep the full and correct minutes and records of all meetings, and to file the same with the City Clerk, where they shall be available for public inspection at any reasonable time. A majority of the Board members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The Board shall meet at such times as the City Council may designate. Special meetings may be held upon the call of the Chairperson, or any five of the Board members.

It shall be the duty of the Board to make recommendation regarding the construction, reconstruction, and improvement of public parks and recreation facilities including the acquisition of land and major equipment and facilities. The Board works to ensure the parks system is available for various activities. The Board shall establish appropriate fees, rules, and regulations for the management, use, and operation of the same. Further, the Board shall be responsible for the following:

- a. Preparing and/or reviewing the long-range park and recreation plans, specific park master plans and related public involvement for the city of Gothenburg.
- b. Recommending major policies related to the management and operation of the city's park and recreation system.
- c. Reviewing long-term funding and financing to implement and manage the city's park and recreation system.
- d. Preparation of a capital improvement plan that identifies funded priority projects.
- e. Preparing preliminary budget expense and fee recommendations for mayor and city council consideration.
- f. Cooperate with the Tree Board in Developing, implementing, and reviewing a comprehensive community forestry program, including tree management and Arbor Day activities, and annual work plan.

All actions of the Board shall be subject to the review and control of the City Council. The Board shall be responsible for making reports and performing other duties as the City Council may, from time to time, designate.

(Prior Code, § 2-205)

Section 2. A copy of prior Section 31.18 is attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 4. This ordinance shall become effective after its posting and publication as provided by law.

Passed and approved this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

City of Gothenburg

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Joyce Hudson, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Misty Bussinger, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Michael L. Bacon, City Attorney

## Exhibit A

### **§ 31.18 RECREATION COMMITTEE.**

The Recreation Committee shall be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by a majority vote of the elected members of the City Council. The Committee shall consist of seven members, who shall be resident freeholders in the city. The members of the Committee shall serve a three-year term of office unless reappointed. The Committee shall serve without compensation and may be required, in the discretion of the City Council, to give a bond in a sum set by resolution of the City Council, and conditioned upon the faithful performance of its duties. At the time of the Committee's first meeting in June of each year, the Committee shall organize by selecting from their number a Chairperson and Secretary. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep the full and correct minutes and records of all meetings, and to file the same with the City Clerk, where they shall be available for public inspection at any reasonable time. A majority of the Committee members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The Committee shall meet at such times as the City Council may designate. Special meetings may be held upon the call of the Chairperson, or any four of the Committee members. It shall be the duty of the Committee to organize recreational programs and activities for the benefit of the residents of the city. The Committee shall establish appropriate rules and regulations for the management, use, and operation of the same. All actions of the Committee shall be subject to the review and control of the City Council. The Committee shall be responsible for making reports and performing other duties as the City Council may, from time to time, designate. No member of the Recreation Committee shall serve in the capacity of both the Chairperson and Secretary of the Committee.