

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE  
RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF LINCOLN, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1. Applicability.** This ordinance shall apply in all parks and recreation areas under the jurisdiction of the City of Lincoln, Alabama. General administration of the ordinance shall be performed by the PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT.

However, there are certain activities that may, because of the possible scale of participation or nature of the assembly, concern the health and safety of the public and, therefore, may require additional services provided by the City (i.e., law enforcement, traffic control, refuse collection, street blockages, etc.). Such events require a special use permit issued by the City Council. These events may include but are not limited to public assemblages, demonstrations, special events, exhibitions, runs, walks, and parades. If an event of this nature is identified by the PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT through general application or inquiry, the person applying or inquiring shall be referred to the OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK for further application of a Special Use Permit and presentation of the application to the City Council.

As used in this ordinance, the term "*person*" includes natural persons, firms, and corporations.

**SECTION 2. Structures, facilities, plants, trees, trash.** It shall be unlawful for any person in a public park or recreation area to:

1. Deposit any rubbish, refuse, garbage, trash or debris other than in trash receptacles provided therefore, or take into, carry through, or put into any park or recreation area any rubbish, refuse, garbage, trash or debris. Where receptacles are not provided, all such materials shall be carried away from the park or recreation area by the person responsible for its presence and properly disposed of elsewhere. Persons reserving park or recreation facilities shall leave the area in a clean and un-littered condition after use.
2. Bring any animal to any park or recreational area; except leashed animals or designated areas. Said animals shall not be left unattended, tied or hitched to any tree or plant. The owner or person having custody of said animal shall be responsible for control of the animal and removal of any animal solid waste.
3. Use any athletic fields by any formally organized group or entity for any purpose, including practice, regular season scheduled event, tournament, or special event, without prior written permission with the PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT.
4. Plant or remove any flowers, trees, shrubs, or other plants without prior written approval from the PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT; or damage, cut, carve, mark, or transplant any tree or plant, or injure the bark or pick flowers or seed of any tree or plant, dig in or otherwise disturb grass areas, or in any other way injure the natural beauty or usefulness of any park or recreation area.
5. Construct, erect, alter, perform maintenance upon, or repair any structure or facility, permanent or temporary, without prior written approval from the PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT.
6. Mark, deface, disfigure, injure, tamper with, displace, or remove any buildings, bridges, tables, benches, fireplaces, railings, pavings or paving materials, water lines or other public utilities or parts thereof, signs, notices or placards, whether temporary or permanent, monuments, stakes, posts, or other boundary markers, or other structures or equipment, facilities, or park or recreation property whatsoever, either real or personal.
7. Throw, discharge, or otherwise place or cause to be placed in the waters of any fountain, pond, lake, stream or other body of water in or adjacent to any park or recreation area, or in any