

CHAPTER XII. PUBLIC PROPERTY

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ARTICLE 1. CITY PARKS

- 12-101. CITY LAWS EXTENDED TO PARK. The laws of the city shall extend to and cover all city parks. (Code 2012)
- 12-102. POLICE JURISDICTION OVER PARKS. The city shall have police regulations governing any public parks belonging to the city and the chief of police and law enforcement officers of the city shall have full power to enforce city laws governing city parks and shall maintain order therein. (Code 2012)
- 12-103. DAMAGING PARK PROPERTY. It shall be unlawful for any person, except duly authorized city employees, to willfully or wantonly remove, injure, tarnish, deface or destroy any building, walk, bench, tree or improvement or property of any kind belonging to any park owned by the city. (Code 2012)
- 12-104. DANGEROUS WEAPONS NOT ALLOWED. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), it shall be unlawful for any person to carry or have in his or her possession any firearm or dangerous weapon or to shoot or discharge the same within the limits of any city parks.
(b) The provisions of subsection (a) above shall not apply to duly authorized law enforcement officers in the performance of official duty or concealed carry permittees. (Code 2012)
- 12-105. VEHICLE REGULATIONS. (a) Motor vehicles, including any vehicle licensed to operate on public streets, roads and highways and motorbikes, go-carts, snowmobiles and other motorized off-the-road vehicles shall be operated in a safe and prudent manner at all times in park areas.
(b) Except as provided in subsection (d), it shall be unlawful for any person to park any motor vehicle in any area not designated for such purpose.
(c) Except as provided in subsection (d), it shall be unlawful for any person to operate any motor vehicle within any city park except upon roads, drives and parking areas established by the city.
(d) Subsections (b) and (c) above shall not apply to authorized city employees while engaged in the maintenance and care of the park.
(e) It shall be unlawful to operate any such vehicle in any park area at a speed in excess of 20 m.p.h. (Code 2012)
- 12-106. HUNTING. It shall be unlawful for any person to pursue, catch, trap, maim, kill, shoot or take any wildlife, either bird or animal, in any manner at any time while in any city park. (Code 2012)

- 12-107. **FIRES.** It shall be unlawful for any person to build or kindle any fire in any city park except in the ovens, stoves, or grills provided for that purpose by the city, and such fire must be extinguished by the person, persons or parties starting such fire, immediately after use thereof, unless approved by the city.. (Code 2012)
- 12-108. **CAMPING PROHIBITED.** Overnight camping is hereby prohibited in city parks except where posted, unless approved by the city. (Code 2012)
- 12-109. **SANITATION.** All waste material, paper, trash, rubbish, tin cans, bottles, containers, garbage and refuse of any kind whatsoever shall be deposited in disposal containers provided for such purposes. No such waste or contaminating material shall be discarded otherwise. No sticks, stones, trash or other objects shall be thrown or discarded in or on any park lands, fountains, pools, drinking fountains, sanitary facilities, or other improvements. (Code 2012)
- 12-110. **PRESERVATION OF NATURAL STATE.** It shall be unlawful for any person, except duly authorized city employees, to take, injure, or disturb any live or dead tree, plant, shrub, or flower, or otherwise interfere with the natural state of city parks. (Code 2012)
- 12-111. **GENERAL REGULATIONS.** The city may post such rules and regulations, as are approved by the governing body, pertaining to the use of the city parks in a conspicuous place in each city park. Violations of these posted rules shall constitute a violation of this code. (Code 2012)

ARTICLE 2. CITY PROPERTY

- 12-201. FIRE HYDRANTS; TAMPERING PROHIBITED. All fire hydrants and other appliances located within the city are declared to be restricted property of the city. It is further declared that it is and shall be unlawful for any person or persons not authorized by the fire department or the city water superintendent to open, tamper with, deface or in any manner attempt to operate one of the city fire hydrants within the city. (Code 1987, 12.16.010; Code 2012)
- 12-202. WATER DOCK; TAMPERING OR DEFACING PROHIBITED. It is declared that the city water dock located near the corner of North Main Street and Second Avenue within the city is declared to be restricted property of the city, and that it is declared to be unlawful for any person or persons to tamper with, deface or in any way attempt to operate the water dock system except in accordance with the instructions attached thereto. (Code 1987, 12.16.020; Code 2012)
- 12-203. CITY SWIMMING POOL; THROWING OBJECTS INTO POOL PROHIBITED. It is unlawful to any person to throw into or place into, or cause to be thrown into or placed into, the city swimming pool or bath house or grounds in connection therewith, any rocks, bottles, glass, wood or other substance or material whatsoever regardless of whether or not there be water in the pool, or to injure or deface in any manner any of the property. These prohibitions shall not apply to the care of the property as may be required by law. (Code 1987, 12.24.010; Code 2012)

ARTICLE 3. LIBRARY

- 12-301. PROHIBITED ACTS. It is unlawful for any person to do any one or more of the following acts:
- (a) Give a fictitious name or address at the Lincoln Library in order to obtain possession or use of any book or other property of the Lincoln Library;
 - (b) To use a library card of another person without permission of such owner to secure possession of any book or other property of the Lincoln Library;
 - (c) To conceal his or her identity or place of employment or residence in any manner whatsoever in order to secure possession of any book, library card or any other property of the Lincoln Library. (Code 1987, 2.24.010; Code 2012)
- 12-302. RETURN OF MATERIALS; VIOLATION. It is unlawful for any person to fail to return any book, newspaper, magazine, pamphlet, manuscript, article, art print, phonograph record, film, audio recording or video recording or any other property owned by, or consigned to, the Lincoln Library after written notice to return the same within 30 days has been given to such person, provided such notice shall be given after the expiration of the time which by the rules of the library board the book or other library material may be kept. (Code 1987, 2.24.020; Code 2012)
- 12-303. RETURN OF MATERIALS; NOTICE. The notice required in section 12-302 shall be given by the librarian of the Lincoln Library and shall be substantially as follows:
- (a) The notice shall be in writing;
 - (b) Specifically state the violations alleged to exist or to have been committed;
 - (c) Specify that the person to whom the notice is issued shall have 30 days within which to correct the violations specified. (Code 1987, 2.24.030; Code 2012)