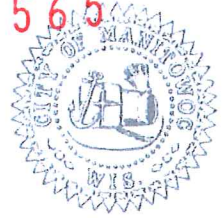


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September 5, 2017

TO: Public Infrastructure Committee
FROM: Mayor Justin M. Nickels
RE: Allowing dogs in parks

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1.) Allow dogs, on leashes, in all city parks or beaches. Ordinance 14.020(5)(a)
 - a. PARK EXCLUSIONS
 - i. Evergreen Cemetery
 - ii. School grounds (unless otherwise noted by the school)
 - iii. Citizen Park (entirety)
 - iv. Lincoln Park Zoo
 - b. EVENT EXCLUSIONS (events in/near parks)
 - i. Any special event as determined by the Special Events Committee
 - c. LEASHES
 - i. Current Ordinance 14.020(7) allows dogs on sidewalks, trails, etc. to have up to 8 feet
 - ii. Recommended: Lower to 6 feet (including retractable leashes)
 - iii. Invisible leashes would not be acceptable
 - d. BEACHES
 - i. No mention in current ordinance
 - ii. RECOMMENDATION: Allowed off leash at beaches
 1. EXCLUSION: Red Arrow and Blue Rail (must be leashed)
 - e. DESIGNATED DOG PARKS
 - i. No leash required
 - ii. Fines for defecation (not picking up) or attacking still apply



f. FINES

i. 14.020 (9) Defecation on Private and Public Property Prohibited

1. Current: \$20 to \$200
2. Recommended: \$200

ii. 14.020 (12) Attacking or Biting Dog, Cat, or Other Creatures

1. Current: \$50 to \$500
2. Recommended: Remain the same

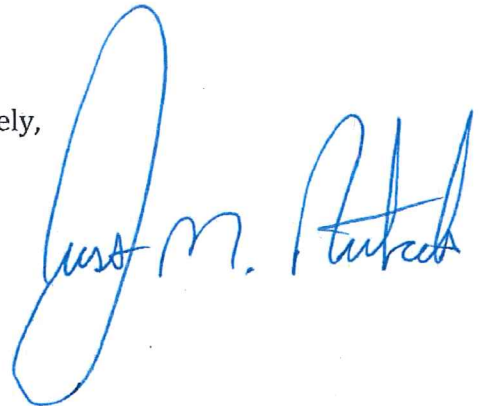
iii. 14.202 (4)(d) Penalty for Dogs, Cats, and other Creatures not to run at large

1. Current: \$40 to \$200
2. Recommended: \$50 to \$500
3. Recommended: Include "unleashed" in this category with a fine amount of \$200 set.

2.) Include in the 2018 budget dollars for signage in parks (exclusion only) and bags for waste.

3.) Ordinance to take effect Jan. 1, 2018 to allow for notification to citizens.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Justin M. Nickels". The signature is stylized with a large, looping initial "J" and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

cc: Dan Koski
Chad Scheinoha