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ORDINANCE

An Ordinance to amend Section 14.020 of the Manitowoc Municipal Code pertaining to Regulations of Parks and Related Facilities, to dogs within parks and beach areas in the City of Manitowoc.

The Mayor and Common Council of the City of Manitowoc do ordain as follows:

**Section 1.** Section 14.020 (5) is amended to read as follows:

“(5) Animals on Public Property.

(a) Dogs, Cats, and Creatures Prohibited. No dog, cat or other creature shall be permitted on or in any school ground, public playground, cemetery or public park in the City of Manitowoc, unless said dog, cat or other creature is assisting a disabled individual, participating in an event sponsored or approved by the City of Manitowoc Recreation Department or as allowed under subsection (5)(b) of this section. No dog, cat or other creature is permitted on any portion of the marina facilities in the City of Manitowoc except as provided in any rules approved by the Board of Harbor Commissioners or as allowed under subsection (5)(b) of this section. As used herein, the term marina facilities shall include all City-owned property lying east of Maritime Drive between the Y.M.C.A. and the Yacht Club.

(b) Dogs Allowed in Designated Areas. ~~Dogs may be walked, if on a leash and under the control of their owner, owner’s family member or owner authorized person, only in posted areas of the City, and designated areas of the City parks and trailways, which areas include the following:~~

- ~~1. Trail No. 9 — all trailways in Red Arrow Park.~~
- ~~2. Trail No. 34 North Lakefront — Mariner’s Trail along Riverwalk, including the Blue Rail area next to the marina and the posted containment area.~~
- ~~3. Trail No. 36 — South Lakefront along the Library and Carferry area.~~
- ~~4. Trail No. 29 — Rahr Trailway through Manitou Park, along Michigan Avenue.~~
- ~~5. Trail No. 2 Lower Henry Schuette Park — Clay Pit Road through trails to parking lot off Broadway Street.~~
- ~~6. Indian Creek Park — the disc golf course and the posted containment area.~~
- ~~7. Dogs are allowed in all other areas designated by the City with signage indicating it is a dog run area.~~

Dogs in Parks and at Beaches. (1) Parks. Leashed dogs are permitted in all City parks except for the following:

1. Evergreen Cemetery
2. Citizen Park
3. Lincoln Park, within the boundaries of the Lincoln Park Zoo
4. School grounds, unless authorized by the school
5. Any special event where it is posted that dogs are prohibited

(2) Beaches. Dogs are permitted off-leash at all City Beaches except for the beaches at Red Arrow Park and the Blue Rail. Dogs are permitted at Red Arrow Park and the Blue Rail if on a leash. Off-leash dogs must remain under the control of their owner or owner’s designee at all times.

(c) Designated Dog Parks. Dogs are permitted to be off leash within the boundaries of the City's designated, fenced-in, dog parks. Off-leash dogs must remain under the control of their owner or owner's designee at all times while in the boundaries of the dog parks. Dogs are not permitted in the park proper and must be kept on the trail, pathway or in the designated area at all times. All feces shall be properly removed and disposed of by any person walking the dog.

(d) Penalty. A person charged with violating any portion of this subsection shall be subject to a forfeiture in an amount not less than \$40.00 nor more than \$200.00."

"(7) Pets to Be Kept Leashed. Dogs and Cats in Public Places. No dog or cat, whether licensed or unlicensed, muzzled or not muzzled, shall be allowed upon the streets of the City of Manitowoc or in public places, such as railway depots, hotels, restaurants, theaters, public conveyances, stores and the like, unless on a suitable and dependable leash not longer than eight~~s~~ix feet in length when fully extended. A female dog or cat in heat must be confined on the owner's property at all times. "

Section 2. Section 14.020 (7) is amended to read as follows:

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Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect on January 1, 2018.

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Introduced \_\_\_\_\_

Adopted \_\_\_\_\_

Approved \_\_\_\_\_

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Justin M. Nickels, Mayor

Fiscal Impact: \$0  
Funding Source: n/a  
Finance Director Approval: /sc  
Approved as to form: /kmm

Drafted by Kathleen M. McDaniel, City Attorney