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ORDINANCE

17-0636

An Ordinance to amend Section 8.230 of the Manitowoc Municipal Code pertaining to Regulations of Parks and Related Facilities, to allow metal detecting within parks and beach areas.

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

Section 1. Section 8.230(9) is created to read as follows:

(9) Metal Detecting

(a) Purpose and Intent. It is the policy of the City to regulate metal detector use within parks in order to protect park landscaping and turf areas and to restrict metal detecting activities to appropriate parks based on the use of the park.

(b) Policy. Metal detecting is permitted from sunrise to sunset or during posted park hours in all City beach park areas listed below, and other non-designated beach areas within City limits upon prior approval by the Public Infrastructure Committee:

1. Silver Creek Park Beach Area
2. Red Arrow Park Beach Area
3. South Lakefront Wayside Beach Area
4. Lakeview Park Beach Area
5. Memorial Drive Wayside Beach Area
6. Mariners Trail Beach Area

(c) Digging Tools. Shovels, spades, garden trowels, and other similar tools may not be used to dig into or turn over ground areas that are covered by turf, vegetation, shrubs, or trees. The only permissible digging tools are screwdrivers, ice picks, and other similar narrow pronged devices.

(d) Finding and Removing Items From Parks. Any person wishing to remove any item or historical object found within a park by metal detection must first report said item to the City parks office by calling (920) 686-3580 or emailing parksadmin@manitowoc.org.

(e) Fees. No fee shall be charged for metal detecting in City parks.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect the day after publication.

Introduced JUN 19 2017 _____

Adopted _____

Approved _____

Justin M. Nickels, Mayor

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

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