City of Woonsocket Rhode Island



October 17, A.D. 2016

Ordinance

Chapter

AMENDING CHAPTER 15 ENTITLED, "PARKS AND RECREATION" OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF WOONSOCKET

WHEREAS, the City of Woonsocket has adopted a policy to ban smoking in public parks to protect the general health and safety of its residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the World War II Veteran Memorial Park was recently acquired by the City; and

WHEREAS, both smoking and vaping activities use tobacco products, which pose significant health and safety issues especially children.

IT IS ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOONSOCKET AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That Section 15-1 entitled, "Smoking in public parks or recreation areas prohibited" of Chapter 15, entitled, "Parks and Recreation" of the Code of Ordinances, City of Woonsocket is hereby amended as follows:

(a) Smoking and vaping, which is the use of any electronic device that delivers nicotine or other substance to the person inhaling from the device, including but not limited to, an electronic cigarette, cigar, pipe, or hookah are prohibited at all City-owned athletic fields, playgrounds, parks and outdoor recreation facilities. including but not limited to, Cass Park, Globe Park, Dunn Park, Costa Park, Cold Spring Park, Bernon Park, Kendrick Playground, Phyllis Thomas Park, River's Edge Complex, River Island Park, Soucy Falls, Bouley Field, Menard Park, Ayotte Field, Hartnett Field, Dionne Track and Renaud Field.

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall take effect on the eleventh consecutive day following its passage by the City Council as provided in Chapter III, Section 9 of the Woonsocket Home Rule Charter and all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

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IN CITY COUNCIL October 17, 2016 - Read by title, amended and passed for the first time as amended.

AMENDMENT: In Section 1(a) after "City-owned" insert "parks" and delete "parks" after "playgrounds,".

IN CITY COUNCIL November 7, 2016 - Read by title and passed. Signed by Mayor Lisa Baldelli-Hunt - November 14, 2016.