

## RESOLUTION NO. 1939

### **A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE IN THE CITY OF GARDNER, KANSAS AND REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 1931.**

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Body and citizens of Gardner have expressed interest in increased citizen engagement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Body has established the following Strategic Priorities: Promote Economic Development, Improve Quality of Life, Fiscal Stewardship and Infrastructure and Asset Management; and

**WHEREAS**, citizen advisory committees are a significant means to obtain citizen involvement on key issues;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF GARDNER, KANSAS, AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION ONE:** A Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee is hereby established.

**SECTION TWO:** The Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee shall consist of six members and all members shall be residents of the City of Gardner.

**SECTION THREE:** Each Governing Body member shall recommend an individual for appointment. Residents interested in serving on the Committee shall submit the following information to the City Clerk: name, address, and a paragraph explaining their interest in serving. Governing Body members will have fourteen days to review the recommended appointments and register any objections directly with the Governing Body member who made the recommendation. Following the fourteen days, recommendations shall be placed on the Consent Agenda for approval at the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting. Recommendations for the Committee shall be voted upon as a slate of candidates. If the slate of candidates fails to be approved, the Governing Body shall submit a revised slate of candidates to be considered at the next regularly scheduled Council meeting.

**SECTION FOUR:** Two members shall be appointed for one year, two members for a term of two years, and two members for a term of three years. Thereafter, all appointments shall be for three-year terms. In the event of vacancies, the appointments shall be for the unexpired terms. A council member shall serve as an ex-officio member of the Committee and be appointed by the Mayor on an annual basis. The council member serving as an ex-officio member of the Committee shall have a casting vote when the Committee is equally divided. Members shall serve without compensation.

**SECTION FIVE:** The Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee shall meet monthly. A quorum of the Committee is by a majority of the Committee. Meetings of the Committee are subject to the requirements of the Kansas Open Meetings Act and shall be open to the public. Records shall be kept of all Committee meetings.

**SECTION SIX:** The Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee shall recommend policies and guidelines to the City Council on matters pertaining to parks and recreational

programming in the City of Gardner that foster and promote an improved Quality of Life for residents.

**SECTION SEVEN:** The Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee shall serve in an advisory capacity to the City Council and shall have the following duties:

- (1) To serve as an advisory body to the City Council on matters related to year round recreational programs and activities, including but not limited to, recreational programs and activities to serve children and adults;
- (2) To serve as an advisory body to the City Council on the use of park system facilities and the development of park system facilities;
- (3) To review and make recommendations on short and long-range plans for City parks; and
- (4) To review and make recommendations on operations and activities related to the park system.

**SECTION EIGHT:** This Resolution does hereby repeal Resolution No. 1931.

**SECTION NINE:** This Resolution shall take effect and be in full force from and after its adoption by the Governing Body of the City of Gardner.

ADOPTED by the City Council on this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of November, 2015.

SIGNED by the Mayor on this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of November, 2015.

CITY OF GARDNER, KANSAS

(SEAL)

/s/ Chris Morrow  
Chris Morrow, Mayor

Attest:

/s/ Jeanne Koontz  
Jeanne Koontz, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

/s/ Ryan B. Denk  
Ryan B. Denk, City Attorney