

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A PARKS AND TRAILS COMMISSION FOR THE CITY OF OAK PARK HEIGHTS, WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OAK PARK HEIGHTS, WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA, DOES HEREBY ORDAIN;

205.01 Establishment of a Commission.
A City Parks and Trails Commission for the City of Oak Park Heights, Washington County, Minnesota, is hereby established.

205.02 Composition.
That Parks and Trails shall consist of five (5) voting members. The five members shall be appointed by the City Council to serve for three (3) year terms, or as otherwise approved by the City Council. Both original and successive appointees shall hold office until their successors are appointed and shall have qualified. The City Council may also appoint two (2) alternate members to serve as alternates who shall have the ability to fill the position of Park Commission member and cast votes in the event of absence of any member of the Park Commission. The members of the Commission shall elect one member as Chairperson and one member as Vice-Chairperson of said Commission, who shall be elected every year. Vacancies on the Commission during a term shall be filled by the City Council for the unexpired term of said vacancy. Every appointed member shall, before entering upon the disposition of his or her duties, take an oath that he or she will faithfully perform the duties of that office. Except as otherwise established by resolution of the City Council, all members of the Park Commission shall be compensated \$25.00 for each month of service, but must be present at the Park Commission to qualify for such compensation. Any member of the Park Commission may be removed by the Mayor with the Consent of the City Council for cause after a hearing.

The Commission shall additionally operate under the auspices of official “Park Commission By-Laws” which shall be approved by the City Council. *Current By-Laws adopted July 23rd, 2019*

205.03 Duties.
It shall be the duty of the Commission to study and recommend to the City Council: (1) the needed and necessary parks, trails and other recreational facilities in said City, and (2) also to study and recommend provisions for the utilization and maintenance of present and future facilities that may be created from time to time by

the City Council. Said recommendations shall then be acted upon within a reasonable length of time by the City Council.

205.04

Budget.

The Parks and Trails Commission shall propose an annual budget which shall be considered and acted upon by the City Council annually.

Amended:

Section 205.02. Passed October 14, 2008.

Current version amended on July 23rd, 2019 by the City Council.