

Proposed: 08/30/2021

ORDINANCE NO. 117-2021 (CRR), *First Reading*

By Council Member

An Ordinance repealing Chapter 141, “Recreation Advisory Board,” of Part One, *Administrative Code*, of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Cleveland Heights, and adopting a replacement Chapter 141, “Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.”

WHEREAS, the Recreation Advisory Board was established in 2005 to render advice to this Council on matters affecting the City’s parks and recreational activities; and

WHEREAS, the Recreation Advisory Board has recommended certain changes to the Chapter 141 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Cleveland Heights to provide for greater citizen participation, ensure active membership, and to better align its title to reflect the matters that comes before the body in current practice; and

WHEREAS, based on the foregoing, this Council desires to modify Chapter 141 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Cleveland Heights.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. An amended Chapter 141, “Parks and Recreation Advisory Board,” of Part One, *Administrative Code*, of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Cleveland Heights, is hereby adopted to read in total as set forth in Exhibit A hereto.

SECTION 2. Current Chapter 141 of the Codified Ordinance of the City of Cleveland Heights, as it existed prior to the effective date of the ordinance, is hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. Notice of passage of this Ordinance shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of its contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Cleveland Heights, such emergency being the need for the above-described amendments to be effective at the earliest time possible to allow the Board to avail itself of such amendments. Wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five (5) or more of the members elected or appointed to this Council, this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

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JASON S. STEIN
President of Council

AMY HIMMELEIN
Clerk of Council

PASSED:

EXHIBIT A

CHAPTER 141
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

141.01 Establishment; composition and term.

141.02 Duty and organization.

141.01 ESTABLISHMENT; COMPOSITION AND TERM.

There is hereby established in the City a Parks and Recreation Advisory Board consisting of twelve eleven (1244) members, all of whom shall be residents of the City. Permanent members of such Board shall be the Chairman of the Council Committee having jurisdiction of the subject matter thereof or a member of that Committee, a member of the Board of Education of the Cleveland Heights-University Heights School District or its designee, and a member of the Cleveland Heights-University Heights Library Board or its designee. The remaining nineeight (98) members of such Board shall be citizen members appointed by Council for four year terms, expiring on the last day of December; provided, however, that all Board members in office as of the effective date of this section may finish the terms for which they were originally appointed. The citizen members of the Board shall serve no more than two (2) consecutive four (4) year terms or a total of eight (8) consecutive years, with the exception of those Board members in office as of the effective date of this section who have served less than one (1) full term, who shall be eligible for reappointment to serve one (1) additional four (4) year term. (Ord. 33-2005. Passed 3-21-05.) Any member who misses four (4) or more meetings in a calendar year without providing advance notice of his or her absence to the Chair shall be considered unable to serve and deemed to have resigned his or her membership on the Board. In the event a member is unable to complete his or her term or deemed to have resigned, City Council shall appoint a replacement to complete that term after seeking qualified candidates.

141.02 DUTY AND ORGANIZATION.

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board shall have as its purpose to act in an advisory and consultative capacity to Council in the area of recreation. The Board shall elect its own chairman and shall establish by-laws for the conduct of its business.

(Ord. 37-1971. Passed 5-17-71.)