

MEETING DATE: 08/28/06

AGENDA ITEM: Adoption of Ordinance Amending Sections 9.01.360 and 9.10.055(A), and Adding Subchapter 9.10.600, of the Culver City Municipal Code to Allow Dogs on Leashes on a Designated Dog Path in Culver West Alexander Park.

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ORDINANCE NO. 2006-__

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CULVER CITY, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTIONS 9.01.360 AND 9.10.055(A), AND ADDING SUBCHAPTER 9.10.600, OF THE CULVER CITY MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW DOGS ON LEASHES ON THE "DESIGNATED DOG PATH" IN CULVER WEST ALEXANDER PARK.

WHEREAS, Culver City Municipal Code §§ 9.10.360 and 9.10.055 (A), currently prohibit any dog from being within any public park, except that dogs are allowed in the Culver City Dog Park per §§ 9.10.400, *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, Culver West Alexander Park neighborhood residents have expressed concerns to the City Council about having to walk their dogs around Culver West Alexander Park, due to traffic and safety issues; and

WHEREAS, in order to alleviate the concerns of these residents, the City Council has determined that a "designated dog path" should be designated in Culver West Alexander Park, upon which residents or other members of the public would be allowed to walk their dogs in a safe environment and without interfering with the other activities occurring in the Park.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Culver City, California, **DOES HEREBY ORDAIN** as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 9.01.360 of the Culver City Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

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1 **§ 9.01.360 DOGS RUNNING AT LARGE; PROHIBITION.**

2 It shall be unlawful for any person owning or having charge,
3 care, custody or control of a dog in the City to cause, permit, or allow
4 that dog to be at large upon any highway, street, lane, alley, sidewalk,
5 square, median, parkway, court or other public place, or upon any
6 private property or premises other than that of the person owning or
7 having charge, care, custody, or control of the dog, unless that dog is
8 restrained by a substantial chain or leash not exceeding six (6) feet in
9 length and is in the control of a competent person. In addition to the
10 foregoing, no person shall cause, permit or allow a dog under that
11 person's charge, care, custody or control to be in any of the following
12 places: any store, market, restaurant, cafe, lunchroom, soda fountain,
13 bakery or kindred establishments wherein foods for human
14 consumption are served, sold or kept for sale, or, except as permitted
15 by Section 9.10.400 or 9.10.600, in any public park.

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19 **SECTION 2.** Section 9.01.055(A) of the Culver City Municipal Code is hereby
20 amended to read as follows:

21 **§ 9.10.055 PROHIBITIONS.**

22 Within the limits of any public park, it shall be unlawful for any
23 person:

24 (A) Having charge, care, custody or control of any dog,
25 except as permitted by Section 9.10.400 or 9.10.600, or other animal,
26 fowl, or reptile to cause, permit, or allow the same to be within the
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1 limits of any public park within the City, unless such person shall have
2 obtained a special permit from the City Council to conduct an
3 entertainment or exhibition in which an animal is a participant.

4 **SECTION 3.** Subchapter 9.10.600 of the Culver City Municipal Code is
5 hereby added to read as follows:
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7 ***DESIGNATED DOG PATHS***

8 **§ 9.10.600 DESIGNATED DOG PATHS.**

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10 A. Notwithstanding any other provision in this Code, a
11 person may have charge, care, custody or control of any dog upon the
12 "designated dog path" in Culver West Alexander Park; provided, that
13 such dog is at all times restrained by a competent person by a
14 substantial chain or leash not exceeding six (6) feet in length.

15 B. For purposes of this Section, "designated dog path" shall
16 mean the pathway in Culver West Alexander Park that is identified by
17 a conspicuously displayed sign indicating that it is a designated dog
18 path, and where the pathway itself is marked with pictures of paw
19 prints.
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21 C. Nothing in this Section shall permit or allow any person
22 having charge, care, custody or control of any dog to permit or allow
23 that dog to be in any portion of any public park, except as permitted by
24 Section 9.10.400, other than on the designated dog path in Culver
25 West Alexander Park.
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1 **SECTION 4.** Pursuant to Section 619 of the City Charter, this
2 Ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after the date of its adoption. Pursuant to
3 Sections 616 and 621 of the City Charter, prior to the expiration of fifteen (15) days after
4 the adoption, the City Clerk shall cause this Ordinance, or a summary thereof, to be
5 published in the Culver City News and shall post this Ordinance or a summary thereof in at
6 least three places within the City.
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8 **SECTION 5.** The City Council hereby declares that, if any provision, section,
9 subsection, paragraph, sentence, phrase or word of this ordinance is rendered or declared
10 invalid or unconstitutional by any final action in a court of competent jurisdiction or by
11 reason of any preemptive legislation, then the City Council would have independently
12 adopted the remaining provisions, sections, subsections, paragraphs, sentences, phrases
13 or words of this ordinance and as such they shall remain in full force and effect.
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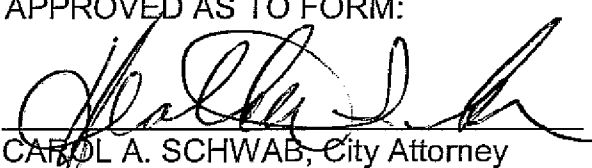
15 APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 28th day of August, 2006.
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19 GARY SILBIGEER, Mayor
City of Culver City, California

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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23 CHRISTOPHER ARMENTA, City Clerk

24 for _____
25 CAROL A. SCHWAB, City Attorney
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