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#### <u>CHAPTER 12.04</u>

## PARKS COMMISSION

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<u>12.04.01 Established</u>. There is hereby established a Parks and Recreation Commission for the city of Mountain Home, Arkansas, to operate, manage and control all recreational facilities in the city.

<u>12.04.02</u> Membership. The Commission shall consist of five (5) qualified electors of the city, to be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by a majority of the duly elected and qualified members of the City Council. Each commissioner shall be appointed for a term of five (5) years; a vacancy on the Commission shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner hereinabove prescribed. Each commissioner shall file the oath required of public officials by the laws of this state; any such commissioner may be removed upon a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members of the City Council.

<u>12.04.03 Powers</u>. The Commission shall have full and complete authority to build, manage, operate, maintain and repair the grounds and improvements under its jurisdiction; shall have complete charge of its buildings and grounds, including the right to control the use thereof and to permit or refuse to permit the use of such facilities by an individual or group; and shall

have the right to employ or remove any of its employees, and to fix and regulate the salary of each such employee.

The Commission shall have the exclusive authority to purchase supplies, apparatus, etc., necessary or desirable, including all construction, repairs, alterations and additions to the property within the jurisdiction of the Commission.

The Commission shall also have the exclusive authority to enter into contracts for the use of park facilities; shall adopt its own rules and regulations for the proper operation and management of all property within its respective jurisdiction; and shall have full authority to repeal or amend its rules and regulations as it sees fit.

<u>12.04.04 Reports</u>. The Commission shall submit quarterly reports, beginning three (3) months after they take their oath of office and each three (3) months thereafter, reporting in full on the operations of the Commission, including an accounting of receipts and disbursements and furnishing such other reports, data and information as may be required by the Mayor and City Council. The quarterly report, with respect to receipts and disbursements, shall be certified by the commissioners as correct. They shall further submit an annual audit of the operations of the parks and recreational programs to the Mayor and City Council.

<u>12.04.05 Use of revenues</u>. The Commission shall have the exclusive authority to utilize all revenues derived from their respective operations; separate accounts shall be maintained and all monies shall be segregated and used exclusively for the operation of parks and recreation programs. The commissioners shall receive no salary but shall be reimbursed for actual expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

<u>12.04.06 Appropriation of funds</u>. The City Council may, at any time, appropriate funds from the General Revenue Fund or other available funds to provide the necessary monies for the operation of the Commission's parks and recreation programs.

<u>12.04.07 Exclusive jurisdiction</u>. The Commission shall have sole and exclusive jurisdiction, power and control over the recreational facilities and programs assigned to it.

#### **CHAPTER 12.08**

## YOUTH ACTIVITY CENTER

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<u>12.08.01 Department established</u> The new department will be entitle Youth Activity Center and will be headquartered at the Youth Center in Cooper Park. (Ord. No. 97-005, Sec. 1.)

<u>12.08.02 Duties of department</u> The Youth Activity Center Department will be responsible for maintaining and operation of the Youth Center, scheduling of activities at Youth Center and events in the park system; with the exception of pool operations and scheduling which will remain under the Park and Pool Department. (Ord. No. 97-005, Sec. 2.)

<u>12.08.03 Personnel</u> The Youth Activity Center Department personnel will include the positions as budgeted by the City Council of the city of Mountain Home, Arkansas. (Ord. No. 97-005, Sec. 3.)

<u>12.08.04 Staff positions</u> Additional number and type of department staff positions will be created by the City Council as necessary to the efficient management and operations of the department. (Ord. No. 97-005, Sec. 4.)

<u>12.08.05 Volunteers</u> the Youth Activity Center will be staffed with volunteers to the greatest extent possible and will seek volunteer participation in all operations. (Ord. No. 97-005, Sec. 5.)

<u>12.08.06 Separate department</u> The Youth Activity Center will exist as a separate department and will be established and administered as such in regard to the city's accounting systems. (Ord. No. 97-005, Sec. 6.)

## **CHAPTER 12.12**

### FISHING REGULATIONS

#### Sections:

| 12.12.01 | Regulations for Fishing in McCabe Park |
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| 12.12.02 | Penalty                                |

<u>12.12.01</u> Regulations for Fishing in McCabe Park The City Council of the City of Mountain Home, Arkansas adopts the following stipulations for fishing in McCabe Park:

- Fish caught and immediately released are not considered to be in possession. Any fish that are retained by using any type of holding device such as stringer, cooler, livewell, or bucket are considered in an angler's possession.
- 2) All bass species caught within McCabe Park shall be released immediately. Under no circumstances can an angler keep any type of bass species.
- 3) Daily limit for Bream Bluegill, Green Sunfish, and Redear Sunfish: Three (3) combined
- 4) Daily limit for Channel Catfish: Three (3)
- 5) It shall be unlawful for any citizen or angler to be in possession of more fish than the daily limit.
- 6) It shall be unlawful for any citizen or angler to be in possession of any species of bass.
- 7) Any laws or regulations in effect or adopted by Arkansas Game & Fish pertaining to the means of catching fish and limits as to size not in conflict herewith are hereby adopted.

<u>12.12.02 Penalty</u> Any person who violates the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall, upon conviction, pay a fine of not less than three hundred dollars (\$300.00) and not more than one thousand dollars (\$1000.00). (Ord. No. 2020-21)

# **CHAPTER 12.16**

# PARK PROPERTIES

#### Sections:

12.16.01Operating hours12.16.02Penalties

<u>12.16.01</u> Operating hours Operating hours at each park property shall be from 5:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. The Mayor reserves the right to alter the operating hours in the event of an emergency or special event. (Ord. No. 2022-41, Sec. 1 & 2)

<u>12.16.02 Penalties</u> Any person who violates the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall, upon conviction, pay a fine of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) and not more than three hundred dollars (\$300.00). (Ord. No. 2022-41)