

Resolution 52 Status: Public Services is moving forward to rewrite Ordinance 8.04.390: Animals Running At Large. In addition to striking the entire section referencing Resolution 52, we are also making recommendations to remove the identification of off-leash areas in specific parks. The requirement that locations be identified specifically in city Ordinance is cumbersome and is an anomaly compared to our management of all other types of recreation and use management in parks, trails & natural lands. Public Lands would like to make decisions about off-leash areas at an administrative-level, supported by on-the-ground signage & notification.

Verbiage to change the ordinance has been approved by the City Attorney's office. Public Lands will submit a transmittal to council for the ordinance change in early June.

Pilot Time-limited Off-leash Dog Areas: We are nearing the one year mark (August 2017) of implementation of our first time –limited off-leash dog area at Wasatch Hollow. We have received very positive feedback regarding this pilot. As a result of this feedback, Parks will begin meeting with each community council this summer to offer the pilot program at identified parks. (District 1: Westpointe Park, 1920 W Colonel Dr., District 2: Glendale Park, 1375 W 1700 S, District 3: Warm Springs Park, 840 N 300 W, District 4: Richmond Park, 440 E 600 S, District 5: Jefferson Park, 110 W Fremont Ave, District 6: Wasatch Hollow Park, 1650 E 1700 S, District 7: Parleys Way Park, 2810 E 2400 S) Community Councils are then tasked with gathering the petition to install the pilot within their district. Once the petitions are received, Parks will post signs, dog bag dispensers and trash cans if necessary.

Wasatch Hollow Park: In July 2016, Parks, Natural Lands, Urban Forestry and Trails (PNUT) board approved seven proposed pilot off-leash dog parks with Wasatch Hollow being the first park to pilot this program. Twenty five signatures were attained at the Wasatch Hollow Community Council Meeting on August 24th, supporting the dog park. The Park was opened in late August of 2016 as the first pilot time-limited off-leash area in the City.

Parks and Public Lands has received multiple requests to expand the hours of the pilot from 5:00 am – 8:00 am and 5 pm -8pm, to 6:00 am to 10:00 am and 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm. This is mostly due to stay at home moms wanting to utilize the dog park after children are dropped off at school and due to the winter daylight hours. After the one year pilot, Parks will utilize the survey and resident feedback to determine if the hours should be increased.

Jefferson Park: Parks Division presented this pilot program to Ball Park Community Council and residents on May 4, 2017. Ball Park CC was supportive and is gathering the 25 signatures required by Resolution 52 to implement the pilot program. Once the signatures are received, Parks will place signage, dog bag dispensers and trash receptacles at the site.

Fairmont Park: Fairmont Park off-leash dog area received \$100,000 in bond money to establish a traditional dog park. The dog park was completed in December of 2016 and is seated on the southern edge of the park along the I-80 corridor in a mostly unused section of the park away from houses and children's play areas.

Amenities such as dog drinking fountains, benches, agility toys etc. were not funded through the initial process. Funding was requested for these items through 2017 capital improvement project funding.

Jordan Park: An off-leash dog park was designated at the Northwest corner of Jordan Park in 2015. A home adjacent to this area was purchased by Parks and Public Lands in September of

2013 and demolished in the winter of 2015. In June of 2016 Parks and Public Lands cleared and leveled the purchased property and added it to the already identified off-leash area. In July and August of 2016, 4' fencing was installed. Signage, bag dispensers, and waste receptacles are now in place. This area is open to the public as a traditional fenced off-leash dog park.

Missing dog park amenities such as a dog drinking fountain, agility toys, hard pack surfacing, and benches have been requested through 2017 capital improvement project funding.

Rosewood Park: The site identified within Rosewood Park for an off-leash area is a sludge pit superfund repository site designated as open space/ recreational land use. The operations and management plan recognizes the potential for development of a dog park through an environmental covenant. There are restrictions regarding this site that make development of this dog park costly and will extend the construction time to meet all required approvals. \$220,000 in impact fees was approved by Council through budget amendment #2 in January of 2017 to construct this park. Parks Division is currently working with Engineering and Sustainability to design and construct the site.

Rotary Glen Park: On August 10th, 2016 Public Utilities and Public Services approved Rotary Glen to be a traditional off-leash dog area with trash receptacles, dog bag dispensers and signage. After attending the East Bench Community Council Meeting on August 17th 2016 to receive community feedback on Rotary Glen Dog Park we were pleased to hear that most community members in attendance were happy the park is now a legal dog park. Dog park users were disappointed that there are no funds to upgrade the park, i.e. dog drinking fountain, better ground surface material, benches, agility toys etc. Dog park amenities have been requested through 2017 capital improvement project funding

Jordan River Par 3: Parks and Open Space is currently working with a consultant to develop an implementation plan for Jordan River Par 3. Community workshops and surveys will be utilized to better understand the community's needs and desires for the park. The park is currently heavily utilized by disc golf enthusiasts, however the civic engagement process will include all options and amenities for the park.

Bonneville Shoreline/ Morris Meadows Reservoir: In April 2015, an application, under the Resolution 52 guideline, was submitted to create an off-leash area at Morris Meadows Reservoir. The proposed area is 453 acres (excluding private property identified) owned by Public Utilities with the exception of 20 inaccessible acres, owned by Parks and Public Lands. The proposal includes the bowl surrounding Morris Reservoir, with the natural slope of City Creek Canyon on the north and west sides. The proposed east boundary extends up the hillsides into a heavily used section of the Bonneville Shoreline Trail. The South side of this proposal abuts homes along 18th avenue. The land identified includes a future site for a reservoir adjacent to the existing reservoir. The area around the Morris Reservoir has been used as an unofficial off-leash area for many years.

Parks and Public Lands has had discussions with Public utilities to define a boundary area that will:

- Provide enough space for dogs to run freely in an open area
- Provide required access to reservoir and utility pump house

- Protect intact habitat for small mammals and ground-nesting birds
- Limit erodible soil trails and spread of weeds such as cheat-grass and myrtle spurge
- Minimize conflicts between dogs and bikers, runners and walkers
- Provide space between free roam dog area and neighbors

Ongoing maintenance for this type of Park, is estimated to be similar to the off-leash area at Parley's Historic Nature Preserve. Assuming that approximately 40 acres of land could be opened to off-leash dogs, the annual maintenance cost of about \$1,500/acre, or \$60,000 is estimated per year. Additionally funds for parking, restroom facilities, signage, waste bins and dog bag dispensers, and physical barriers (fencing) will need to be secured. A land use management agreement between Public Services and Public Utilities is also required.