

1 [Park Code - Hours of Operation for City Parks]

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3 **Ordinance amending the Park Code to establish hours of operation for City parks from**
4 **5:00 a.m. to midnight, with certain exceptions; and making environmental findings.**

5 NOTE: **Unchanged Code text and uncodified text** are in plain Arial font.
6 **Additions to Codes** are in *single-underline italics Times New Roman font*.
7 **Deletions to Codes** are in *strikethrough italics Times New Roman font*.
8 **Board amendment additions** are in double-underlined Arial font.
9 **Board amendment deletions** are in ~~strikethrough Arial font~~.
10 **Asterisks (* * * *)** indicate the omission of unchanged Code
11 subsections or parts of tables.

12 Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

13 Section 1. The Planning Department has determined that the actions contemplated in
14 this ordinance comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (California Public
15 Resources Code Sections 21000 et seq.). Said determination is on file with the Clerk of the
16 Board of Supervisors in File No. ____ and is incorporated herein by reference.

17 Section 2. The Park Code is hereby amended by adding Section 3.21, to read as
18 follows:

19 **SEC. 3.21. HOURS OF OPERATION.**

20 *(a) Persons may enter and use any park from 5:00 a.m. to midnight daily, provided that (1) the*
21 *Department may set different hours in a permit, contract or lease, and (2) whenever a threat to public*
22 *health or safety exists in any park resulting from any natural cause, explosion, accident or any other*
23 *cause, or by riot or unlawful assembly or activity, the General Manager may close the park or any part*
24 *thereof to the public for such duration as he or she deems necessary to ensure the safety and well-being*
25 *of the public.*

1 (b) No person shall enter or remain in any park without the permission of the Department
2 outside of the hours open to the public as specified in subsection (a), except that in the case of Balboa
3 Park, Golden Gate Park, Lincoln Park, and McLaren Park, persons may use a vehicle (including but
4 not limited to a car, truck, bicycle and motorcycle) on the roadway(s) in those parks or walk on paved
5 sidewalks immediately adjacent to such roadways, at any time for purposes of traversing the park only.
6 A violation of this subsection (b) shall be subject to the penalties set forth in Park Code Article 10.

7 (c) The Department shall post the hours for each park (1) at the park in a location designed to
8 provide notice to members of the public, and (2) on the Department's website.

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10 Section 3. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective 30 days after
11 enactment. Enactment occurs when the Mayor signs the ordinance, the Mayor returns the
12 ordinance unsigned or does not sign the ordinance within ten days of receiving it, or the Board
13 of Supervisors overrides the Mayor's veto of the ordinance.

14 APPROVED AS TO FORM:
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