

AN ORDINANCE

AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF SELF-MONITORING STANDARDS FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT'S SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM TO COMPLY WITH TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES REGULATIONS.

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WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Department has provided recreational summer programs for youth for over 25 years; and

WHEREAS, these programs provide supervised, structured recreational activities to children ages six (6) through fourteen (14) years; and

WHEREAS, the programs operate for eight weeks and serve over 5,700 children at approximately 60 sites each summer, consisting of community centers, school sites, and other designated locations throughout the community; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (TDFPS) allows an exemption from child care licensing regulations to municipally operated recreation programs that serve school age youth and adopt Self-Monitoring Standards; and

WHEREAS, these standards must include staffing ratios, minimum staff qualifications, minimum facility health and safety standards, mechanisms for monitoring and enforcement; and are required to be adopted annually; and

WHEREAS, as required, copies of the Self-Monitoring Standards are provided to the parents of all program participants; and

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation staff conducts comprehensive compliance reviews to ensure that guidelines are achieved at each program site; and

WHEREAS, the State reserves the right to visit sites and inspect records to evaluate compliance of Self-Monitoring Standards; and

WHEREAS, the Summer Youth Program is available to registered participants at each site and has a twenty-five to one (25:1) participant to staff ratio; and

WHEREAS, youth participate in a variety of activities including traditional sports, active games, craft projects, fitness, and reading as well as math and science enrichment programs, as part of weekly theme programming; and

WHEREAS, these recreation programs have operated under Self-Monitoring Standards since 2003; and

WHEREAS, no changes from last year's Self-Monitoring Standards are required for the 2018 program; and

WHEREAS, the recommended standards were presented on February 26, 2018, to the Parks and Recreation Board and an opportunity for citizen input was provided at the meeting; **NOW THEREFORE:**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The Self-Monitoring Standards for the Parks and Recreation Department's Summer Youth Program is hereby adopted. A copy of the Self-Monitoring Standards in substantially final form is attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes as **Attachment I**.

SECTION 2. The financial allocations in this Ordinance are subject to approval by the Director of Finance, City of San Antonio. The Director of Finance may, subject to concurrence by the City Manager or the City Manager's designee, correct allocations to specific SAP Fund Numbers, SAP Project Definitions, SAP WBS Elements, SAP Internal Orders, SAP Fund Centers, SAP Cost Centers, SAP Functional Areas, SAP Funds Reservation Document Numbers, and SAP GL Accounts as necessary to carry out the purpose of this Ordinance.

SECTION 3. This ordinance is effective immediately upon the receipt of eight affirmative votes; otherwise, it is effective ten days after passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this ____ day of _____, 2018.

M A Y O R
Ron Nirenberg

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

Andrew Segovia, City Attorney

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Item No. 00

ATTACHMENT I

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