

ORDINANCE

ADOPTING THE SA PARKS SYSTEM PLAN. THERE IS NO FISCAL IMPACT ASSOCIATED WITH THIS ORDINANCE.

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WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Department first adopted a comprehensive system strategic plan in 1999 in an effort to anticipate the community's short and long term service needs; and

WHEREAS, in 2006, the plan was updated with the adoption of the 2006-2016 Parks and Recreation System Strategic Plan; and

WHEREAS, this plan has played an integral role in shaping the Parks and Recreation system - providing programmatic, operational and capital improvement guidelines and strategies, as well as growth strategies; and

WHEREAS, the SA Parks System Plan will provide a foundation to guide future planning decisions impacting service delivery to the citizens of San Antonio concerning capital improvement needs, operations and recreation programs; and

WHEREAS, the plan does also include an assessment of the Parks and Recreation Department's Urban Forestry Program and will demonstrate consistency and implementation of the City's SA Tomorrow Plan: Comprehensive, Sustainability and Multimodal Transportation Plans; and

WHEREAS, from October 2017 through April 2018 various community workshops, free community events, on-line and paper survey in both English and Spanish were undertaken to provide the public with an opportunity to share their priorities for San Antonio's park system; and

WHEREAS, in mid-December 2018 the draft plan was released online through the Parks and Recreation Department's website and was provided to Mayor and Council; and

WHEREAS, public feedback of the plan was accepted through February 15, 2019; and

WHEREAS, park staff conducted an email marketing campaign to promote the plan and solicit feedback; and

WHEREAS, a public input meeting for the draft system plan was held on January 24, 2019; and

WHEREAS, to build upon this input, the Parks and Recreation Department participated in the City's second ever Telephone Town Hall Meeting. Approximately 2,300 San Antonio residents

participated in a public forum where the project team fielded questions regarding the plan; and

WHEREAS, a common suggestion in the public's comments was the need to protect our natural resources and wildlife habitat through use of resource-driven access, development and design; and these along with public feedback regarding sustainability were interwoven with natural resource protection; and

WHEREAS, in order to address these concerns, several strategies in the final system plan were enhanced to advance these efforts; **NOW THEREFORE:**

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

SECTION 1. The City Manager, or designee, or the Director of Parks and Recreation Department or designee, is hereby adopts the SA Parks System Plan is necessary to guide how the Parks and Recreation Department will provide services to the City of San Antonio for the next ten years.

SECTION 2. This ordinance will have no fiscal impact on the City's operations.

SECTION 3. 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 4. This Ordinance is effective immediately upon the receipt of eight affirmative votes; otherwise, it is effective ten days after passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this _____th day of April, 2019.

M A Y O R
Ron Nirenberg

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

Andrew Segovia, City Attorney