

## *CITY OF BETHEL, ALASKA*

### **Ordinance #19-17**

#### **AN ORDINANCE BY THE BETHEL CITY COUNCIL REPEALING CHAPTER 2.23, PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT OF THE BETHEL MUNICIPAL CODE**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Bethel has not funded the operation of a Parks and Recreation Department since July 1, 2017;

**WHEREAS**, the organization continues to struggle in creating an annual operating budget that does not represent a budget deficit;

**WHEREAS**, the Council does not foresee a financial opportunity to bring the Parks and Recreation Department back to the City fiscal and operational plan and therefor removes the reference of the department from the Municipal Code;

**THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of Bethel, Alaska, that the Bethel Municipal Code shall be amended and revised as follows:

**SECTION 1. Classification.** This ordinance is permanent and general in nature and shall be placed in the Bethel Municipal Code

**SECTION 2. Amendment** The Bethel Municipal Code Section , is amended as follows (new language is underlined and ~~old language is stricken out~~):

### **~~Chapter 2.23~~**

#### **~~PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT~~**

Sections:

~~2.23.010 Established.~~

~~2.23.020 Functions.~~

~~2.23.030 Supervision.~~

#### **~~2.23.010 Established.~~**

~~There is established the parks and recreation department.~~

#### **~~2.23.020 Functions.~~**

~~The functions of the parks and recreation department shall include:~~

Introduced by: Vice-Mayor Williams  
Introduction Date: August 13, 2019

Action: Not Introduced

~~A. Identifying existing and future recreation demands including the development and maintenance of a parks and recreation plan and a capital improvement plan and program for parks and recreation facilities;~~

~~B. Evaluating existing and future needs for parks and recreation facilities and programs;~~

~~C. Implementing parks and recreation programs and activities;~~

~~D. Providing oversight of parks and recreation facilities and coordinating with other departments, agencies, organizations and contractors to provide for maintenance and operation of existing facilities and the development and construction of new facilities;~~

~~E. Carrying out other related activities as the city manager may assign.~~

**~~2.23.030 Supervision.~~**

~~A. The parks and recreation department shall be headed by the parks and recreation director. The parks and recreations director shall be appointed by, report to, and be supervised by the city manager, and may be removed by the city manager; the parks and recreations director shall be entitled to all rights and privileges afforded other employees under the city's personnel rules and procedures. The position of parks and recreations director is a managerial and confidential position and is exempt from the classified services.~~

~~B. The parks and recreation director shall hire and supervise the employees of the department and shall manage the department subject to the city manager's authorization and consent.~~

**SECTION 3. Effective Date.** This ordinance shall become effective upon passage by the Bethel City Council.