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First Reading _____

Second Reading _____

Ordinance No. _____

Council Bill No. B 102-11

AN ORDINANCE

amending Chapter 17 of the City Code to restrict dogs and cycles in Bonnie View Nature Sanctuary; and fixing the time when this ordinance shall become effective.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 17 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, Missouri, is hereby amended as follows:

Material to be deleted in ~~strikeout~~; material to be added underlined.

Sec. 17-115. ~~Reserved~~ Bonnie View Nature Sanctuary; limitations on dogs and cycles.

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person owning or responsible for a dog to allow the dog to be in any portion of Bonnie View Nature Sanctuary south of Rollins Road unless the dog is held on a leash by a competent person and is on the Scott's Branch Trail or the trail leading from the Scott's Branch Trail to Fairview Park.

(b) It shall be unlawful for any person to ride a cycle, as defined in Sec. 17-140, in Bonnie View Nature Sanctuary other than on a hard surfaced area.

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

PASSED this _____ day of _____, 2011.

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Mayor and Presiding Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


City Counselor

Source:
Mike Hood 

Parks and Recreation

FISCAL and VISION NOTES:

TO: City Council
FROM: City Manager and Staff
DATE: March 25, 2011
RE: Restricting Dogs and Bicycles in Bonnie View Nature Sanctuary



City Fiscal Impact Enter all that apply:	
\$0	City's current net FY cost.
\$0	Amount of Funds Already appropriated
\$0	Amount of budget amendment needed
Estimated 2 yr net costs:	
\$0	One-time
\$0	Operating / On-going
Program Impact:	
N	New program/ agency (Y/N)
N	Duplicates/expands an existing program (Y/N)
N	Fiscal impact on any local political subdivision (Y/N)
Resources Required:	
N	Requires add'l FTE personnel? (Y/N)
N	Requires additional facilities? (Y/N)
N	Requires additional capital equipment? (Y/N)
Mandates:	
N	Federal or state mandated? (Y/N)
Vision Implementation Impact Enter Below All That Applies: Refer to Website:	
N	Vision Impact? (Y/N or if N, go no further)
Item #	Primary Vision, Strategy and/or Goal Item#
Item #	Secondary Vision, Strategy and/or Goal Item#
Task #	FY10/FY11 Implementation Task#

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

A council bill has been prepared that would restrict dogs and bicycles in Bonnie View Nature Sanctuary.

DISCUSSION:

As requested by Council member Dudley, a council bill has been prepared that would prohibit dogs in Bonnie View Nature Sanctuary except for the area north of Rollins Road, the Scott's Branch Trail and the trail from the Scott's Branch Trail to Fairview Park. The bill would also restrict cycles in the Bonnie View Nature Sanctuary to hard surfaced areas.

At the March 21 City Council Meeting, options relating to two management issues impacting use of the Bonnie View Nature Sanctuary were discussed. The two management issues concerned whether dogs and bicycles were to be allowed on the property. The two options presented with respect to the dog issue were:

1. Allow dogs on the area, but require the dogs to be on leash at all times.
2. Prohibit dogs from using the property.

A compromise third option was offered by Council Dudley as follows:

3. Dogs on leash would be allowed on the Bonnie View Property north of Rollins Road and on the portion of the paved Scott's Branch Trail located within the Bonnie View Nature Sanctuary (extending from Rollins Road in the north to Weaver Street in the south) as well as the paved connector to Fairview Park.

In regard to the bicycle issue, the two options presented were:

1. Allow bicycles throughout the property.
2. Restrict bicycles to the paved trails only

As noted at the March 21 Council meeting, the Park and Recreation Commission recommended that: a.) Dogs be prohibited on the property; and b.) Bicycles be restricted to the hard surface trails.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No significant fiscal impact.

VISION IMPACT:

None.

SUGGESTED COUNCIL ACTION:

If the Council wishes to limit dogs and bicycles in Bonnie View Nature Sanctuary as outlined above, pass the ordinance.