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March 10, 2015

To: Mayor Mark Boughton
Members of City Council

From: Planning Commission

Re: 8-24 Referral/February 2015 City Council Agenda Item #13: Dog Park on City-owned land on Miry Brook Rd.

The Planning Commission has received a request from the City Council for a report pursuant to CT General Statutes/Sec 8-24, regarding the above referenced item.

At the March 4, 2015 regular meeting, the Planning Commission voted to give this a positive recommendation subject to this obtaining the required approvals from all City departments and/or agencies. The motion was made by Mr. Urice, seconded by Ms. Hoffstaetter, and passed unanimously with five ayes.

Arnold E. Finaldi Jr.
Chairman

AEF/jr
Attachment

c: Engineering Dept.
Corporation Counsel



ORDINANCE

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CITY OF DANBURY, STATE OF CONNECTICUT CITY COUNCIL

_____ A.D. 2015

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Danbury:

Sec. 12-3. - Dogs at large; Public Dog Park; control on private property; fine.

- (a) (i) No person owning, keeping or having custody of a dog shall allow such dog to be in or upon any street, park except for any public dog park designated by the City Council after considering the recommendation of the Director of Recreation, or other public place unless such dog is attached to a secure leash held continuously in the hands of a responsible person capable of controlling such dog or unless such dog is securely confined within a motor vehicle which is adequately ventilated.
- (ii) Any public dog park shall be operated in accordance with such Rules and Regulations as shall be adopted by the Director of Recreation, and any owner or attendant having control of any dog present at any public dog park shall comply with all such Rules and Regulations. For purposes of this section, dog park shall mean any designated public park, with a fence or enclosed area, in which dogs under the control of their owner or attendant are allowed to exercise, play and socialize off-lease.
- (iii) No person owning, keeping or having custody of a dog shall allow such dog to leave the confines of the property of the owner, keeper or custodian. Such owner, keeper or custodian shall secure the dog by means of rope or other attachment, the placement or keeping of a fence or such other means of control as shall assure the securing of the dog in accordance with the intent hereof.
- (b) This section shall not apply to any dog while performing or being exhibited in a bench show or other exhibition, any dog while in the act of hunting or any dog used or kept for purposes of the public safety or any dog while present in any designated public dog park.
- (c) Any violation of this section shall be punishable by the greater of a fine of fifty dollars (\$50.00) or that amount set forth by state law as the maximum fine for such violation.
- (d) The dog warden of the city and his duly authorized agents, pursuant to the powers vested in him by the general statutes, shall issue any citation for a violation of this section, and shall promulgate all regulations necessary and proper in executing the provisions of these sections.