

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA MESA AMENDING THE LA MESA MUNICIPAL CODE (INCLUDING CHAPTER 2.32, SECTION 2.16.15(d)(6), CHAPTERS 9.04, 9.05 AND 9.06) TO DO THE FOLLOWING: (1) RENAME (a) "COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT" TO "PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT," (b) "COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION" TO "PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION," AND (c) "DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES" TO "DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION;" AND, (2) SHIFT THE SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITY OF LANDSCAPING AND MAINTENANCE OF PARK AREAS TO THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS OR HER DESIGNEE

WHEREAS, in 1990, the City renamed the Parks and Recreation Department to the Community Services Department, along with its associated commission; and

WHEREAS, on April 8, 2025, the City Council directed staff to restore the department and commission's name to "Parks and Recreation" and to bring forward a code amendment for consideration.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of La Mesa, California as follows:

SECTION 1: All references in the La Mesa Municipal Code to "Community Services Department" shall be deleted and replaced (renamed) by the reference "Parks and Recreation Department," including, specifically, such references in Chapter 2.32 of the La Mesa Municipal Code.

SECTION 2: All references in the La Mesa Municipal Code to "Community Services Commission" shall be deleted and replaced (renamed) by the reference "Parks and Recreation Commission," including, specifically, such references in the Chapters 2.32 and 9.04 of the La Mesa Municipal Code.

SECTION 3: All references in the La Mesa Municipal Code to "Director of Community Services" shall be deleted and replaced (renamed) by the reference "Director of Parks and Recreation," including, specifically, such references in the Section 2.16.15(d)(6), and Chapters 9.04, 9.05 and 9.06 of the La Mesa Municipal Code.

SECTION 4: Chapter 9.06 shall be amended to read as follows:

"Maintenance of Parks

9.06.010 Director of Parks and Recreation – Responsibility.

The responsibility for landscaping park areas, direction and assistance to personnel engaged in planning and caring for lawns, trees, shrubs, flowers, and maintenance of all parks, shall be under the supervision of the City Manager or his or her designee."

SECTION 5: The City Manager is hereby directed to cause all necessary and appropriate administrative actions to implement this Ordinance.

SECTION 6: This Ordinance shall be effective 30 days after its adoption and the City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Ordinance. The City Clerk is hereby authorized to use summary publication procedures pursuant to Government Code Section 36933 utilizing a newspaper of general circulation published in the City of La Mesa.

INTRODUCED AND READ at a Regular meeting of the City Council of the City of La Mesa, California, held the 8th day of July 2025, and thereafter PASSED AND ADOPTED at a Regular meeting of said City Council held the 22nd day of July 2025, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

APPROVED:

MARK ARAPOSTATHIS, Mayor

ATTEST:

MEGAN WIEGELMAN, CMC, City Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF CITY CLERK

I, MEGAN WIEGELMAN, City Clerk of the City of La Mesa, California, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of Ordinance No. 2025-_____, duly passed and adopted by the City Council of said City on the date and by the vote therein recited and that the same has been duly published according to law.

MEGAN WIEGELMAN, CMC, City Clerk

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