

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD AGENDA LETTER



Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Agenda Number:
Prepared on: March 3, 2005
Department Name: Parks
Department No.: 052
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Placement: Departmental
Estimate Time: 5 minutes
Continued Item: YES
If Yes, date from: 03/01/2005

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Terri Maus-Nisich, Director
Parks Department

STAFF CONTACT: Rick Wheeler
Deputy Director, (681-5653)

SUBJECT: Second Reading of the Amendment of Santa Barbara County Code, Chapter 26-49 to authorize the County Parks Director to establish off-leash dog programs at various Parks and Open Spaces with permission of and resolution by the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors.

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Consider the second reading, adoption and approval of the ordinance amending Chapter 26, Article III, Animal Regulations, Sec. 26-49, Dogs Required on Leash to permit dog off-leash use by resolution of the Board where it has been found to be appropriate by the Director of Parks.
- B. Approve the attached implementing resolution to designate certain County of Santa Barbara Parks and Open Space areas commonly known as Toro Canyon Park Meadow, Tucker's Grove Park Kiwanis Meadow, Isla Vista/Sea Lookout Park, and Tabano Hollow and Patterson Open Space lawn areas as permanent sites where dogs may be off-leash on posted days at posted times under certain rules and conditions.

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendations are primarily aligned with actions required by law, Goal #1 "An Efficient Government Able to Respond Effectively to the Needs of the Community", and Goal #2 "A Safe and Healthy Community in Which to Live, Work, and Visit".

Executive Summary and Discussion:

At your March 1, 2005 Board meeting you approved the introduction (first reading) of the ordinance amending **Chapter 26, Article III, Animal Regulations, Sec. 26-49, Dogs Required on Leash** to permit dog off-leash use by resolution of the Board where such use has been found to be appropriate by the Director of Parks.

Staff is before you today for the second reading and approval of the ordinance, and to request that your Board approve the attached implementing resolution that establishes permanent off-leash use at those sites that participated in the off-leash dog use pilot program. It is requested that permanent off-leash use be authorized at Toro Canyon Park Meadow, Tucker's Grove Kiwanis Meadows, Tabano Hollow and Patterson open space lawn areas, and Isla Vista Park/Sea Lookout at the times and days listed below.

Off-Leash Use Days & Hours by Site	
Tabano Hollow OS	Monday – Sunday 4:00 PM to close
Patterson OS	Monday – Friday 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM
Tucker’s Grove Park at Kiwanis Meadows*	Monday – Friday 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM & 4:00 PM to close
Sea Lookout Park (Isla Vista Park)	Monday – Friday 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM 4:00 PM to close
Toro Canyon Park Meadow	Monday – Sunday 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM 4:00 PM to close

Mandates and Service Levels: No change in programs or service levels.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts: This action will have some minimal costs for the purchase of notification signs. Public recreational opportunities will be enhanced.

Special Instructions: Clerk of the Board to provide a copy of the approved resolution and minute order to County Parks, Attn, Rick Wheeler.

Concurrence:
 County Counsel