

CITY OF MERIDIAN

RESOLUTION NO. 10-759

BY THE CITY COUNCIL:

BIRD, HOAGLUN, ROUNTREE, ZAREMBA

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERIDIAN, ADOPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE MERIDIAN PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION THAT CITY PARKS BE GENERALLY DECLARED TO BE SMOKE FREE PREMISES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on November 10, 2010, the Meridian Parks and Recreation Commission did unanimously vote to recommend to the Mayor and City Council that all City Parks, exclusive of parking lots therein and Harold Cox Monument, be declared and posted smoke free premises;

WHEREAS, as to the public, Meridian City Code section 6-3-2(A)(7) prohibits smoking on any premises in the City where posted signage designates such premises "smoke free," and as to City employees, City of Meridian Standard Operating Policy and Procedure no. 7.2 states that smoking shall not be allowed in City parks that are designated "smoke free";

WHEREAS, cigarettes consumed in City Parks create litter, increase maintenance expenses, diminish enjoyment, and pose health and safety risks to children and others related to ingestion, sanitation, and second-hand smoke inhalation;

WHEREAS, Harold Cox Monument, a mini-park located at 33 E. Idaho, is equipped with litter-prevention devices and does not feature amenities designed to attract underage park users;

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council find that generally declaring City Parks to be "smoke free" would be in the best interest of the health, safety, and welfare of park users;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERIDIAN CITY, IDAHO:

Section 1. That all City Parks, exclusive of parking lots therein, are hereby declared to be smoke free premises, except that Harold Cox Monument shall not be smoke free.

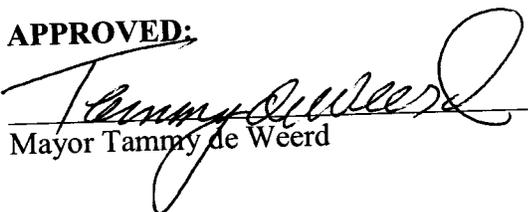
Section 2. That the Parks and Recreation Department Director is hereby directed to post signs in all City Parks, except Harold Cox Monument, notifying park users that such premises, exclusive of parking lots therein, are smoke free.

Section 3. That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption and approval.

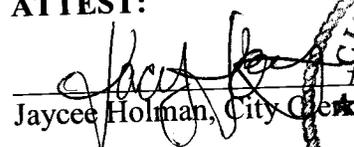
ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Meridian, Idaho, this 15th day of Feb, 2011.

APPROVED by the Mayor of the City of Meridian, Idaho, this 15th day of Feb, 2011.

APPROVED:


Mayor Tammy de Weerd

ATTEST:


Jaycee Holman, City Clerk

