

ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE CALENDAR NO: 5938

ORDINANCE COUNCIL SERIES NO: _____

COUNCIL SPONSOR: STEFANCIK

PROVIDED BY: COUNCIL ATTORNEYS

INTRODUCED BY: MR. BELLISARIO

SECONDED BY: MS. O'BRIEN

ON THE 1 DAY OF FEBRUARY , 2018

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE PARISH CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 30 PARKS, RECREATION AND SCENIC NEIGHBORHOODS, ARTICLE XIV TAMMANY TRACE, SEC. 30-371 RULES AND REGULATIONS.

WHEREAS, in order to comply with state law, it is necessary to amend the rules and regulations of the Tammany Trace; and

WHEREAS, state and federal law prevail regarding restrictions placed on the carrying of firearms in public places.

THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY HEREBY ORDAINS: that it hereby amends the Parish Code of Ordinances, Chapter 30 Parks, Recreation and Scenic Neighborhoods, Article XIV Tammany Trace, Sec. 30-371 Rules and Regulations as follows:

Sec. 30-371. - Rules and regulations.

(1) General rules.

a. Hours of operation are daily from 7:00 a.m. to dark.

b. Please stay on the appropriately marked trails. Pedestrians should stay on the west shoulder or to the right along each side of the trail. Slower traffic should stay to the right in each direction. Passing traffic should notify slower traffic that they are passing either by voice, horn or bell.

c. Obey all federal, state and local traffic laws. Laws will be strictly enforced in accordance with fines associated with violations.

d. Park only in designated areas. Unauthorized parking is subject to being towed and/or ticketed.

e. No trespassing on private property.

(2) Prohibited. The following is prohibited on Tammany Trace or its facilities:

a. Camping.

b. Fires.

c. Carrying or discharging of ~~firearms or~~ fireworks.

d. Use of glass containers.

e. Hunting.

f. Littering.

g. Pets on main trail.

h. Racing.

i. Unauthorized solicitation.

j. Swimming, wading or diving.

k. Unauthorized structures.

l. Alcoholic beverages are prohibited on the Tammany Trace and/or its facilities except during special events. A special event organizer/sponsor must obtain a temporary alcohol permit and conform to section 6-30(d) and state law in accordance with L.A.C. title 55, part 7, section 323 and any other applicable state law.

m. Only authorized motorized vehicles are allowed on Tammany Trace.

n. Do not disturb plant vegetation. Tammany Trace traverses an environmentally sensitive area of the parish.

o. Handling of wildlife found on Tammany Trace is prohibited. Please contact Tammany Trace Ranger or appropriate parish authorities if there is a problem.

p. The carrying of firearms on the Tammany Trace is governed by State and Federal law.

(3) Specific trail rules.

a. Horses stay in assigned areas.

b. A Coggins test is required for horses using Tammany Trace.

c. Do not exceed 15 miles per hour speed limit.

d. Horses must be kept at a walk in the area designated for horses on the main trail.

e. Helmets, knee pads, elbow and wrist guards are required for rollerbladers.

f. Helmets are required for off-road biking (when such area has been constructed).

g. Obey all traffic signs along the trail.

h. Stay in designated areas only. Stay out of drainage ditches and other such structures not constructed for recreational purposes.

i. When you see hazard signs and reflective markings on the main trail, these signs denote possible danger areas. Move as close to the center of the trail as traffic will allow.

(4) Bridge etiquette. Rollerbladers yield to cyclists; cyclists yield to joggers; joggers yield to walkers; walkers yield to horses. Helmets for cyclists and horsemen are strongly recommended and encouraged. Ride at your own risk if no helmet is worn. The parish is not responsible for injuries resulting from lack of proper equipment, improperly maintained equipment, improperly used equipment or improper or unsafe use of Tammany Trace facilities.

(5) Construction.

a. Absolutely no one shall use areas designated either as "Under Construction" or signed as "No Trespassing." These areas are unsafe and are not open to the general public. Further, only authorized personnel are allowed to enter these areas.

b. Tammany Trace is ADA accessible, and the parish encourages use of the trail by all, regardless of race, creed, sex, ethnic origin or physical impairment.

c. Commissioned Tammany Trace Rangers are empowered to patrol the trace, and write and issue citations to offenders.

REPEAL: All ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SEVERABILITY: If any provision of this Ordinance shall be held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions herein which can be given effect without the invalid provision and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This Ordinance shall become effective fifteen (15) days after adoption.

MOVED FOR ADOPTION BY: _____SECONDED BY: _____

WHEREUPON THIS ORDINANCE WAS SUBMITTED TO A VOTE AND RESULTED IN THE FOLLOWING:

YEAS: _____

NAYS: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

ABSENT: _____

THIS ORDINANCE WAS DECLARED DULY ADOPTED AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL ON THE 1 DAY OF MARCH , 2018 ; AND BECOMES ORDINANCE COUNCIL SERIES NO _____.

S. MICHELE BLANCHARD, COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

THERESA L. FORD, COUNCIL CLERK

PATRICIA P. BRISTER, PARISH PRESIDENT

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