

City of Houston, Texas, Ordinance No. 2020-778

AN ORDINANCE READOPTING THE HOUSTON YOUTH RECREATION PROGRAM'S STANDARDS OF CARE AS CODIFIED AT ARTICLE XII OF CHAPTER 32 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, HOUSTON, TEXAS; CONTAINING FINDINGS AND OTHER PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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WHEREAS, the City of Houston has a long history of providing youth recreation programs that contribute to the overall well-being of youth and families in the City; and

WHEREAS, on September 2, 2020, the City Council held a public hearing regarding the Standards of Care for the Houston Parks & Recreation Department's youth recreation programs; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to readopt standards of care that fulfill the requirements of Section 42.041(b)(14) of the Texas Human Resources Code; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS:

Section 1. That the findings contained in the preamble of this Ordinance are determined to be true and correct and are hereby adopted as a part of this Ordinance.

Section 2. That the Standards of Care for Houston Youth Recreation Programs, which are codified as Article XII of Chapter 32 of the Code of Ordinances, Houston, Texas, and were originally adopted as Ordinance No. 2002-756, and subsequently readopted every year, sometimes with amendments, most recently by Ordinance No. 2019-593, are hereby readopted.

Section 3. That the City Council officially finds, determines, recites and declares that a sufficient written notice of the date, hour, place and subject of this meeting of the City Council was posted at a place convenient to the public at the City Hall of the City for the time required by law preceding this meeting, as required by the Open Meetings Law, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code; and that this meeting has been open to the public

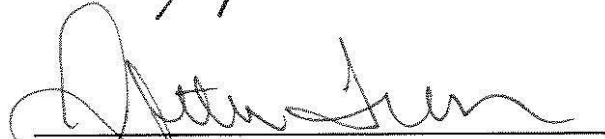
as required by law at all times during which this Ordinance and the subject matter thereof has been discussed, considered and formally acted upon. The City Council further ratifies, approves and confirms such written notice and the contents and posting thereof.

Section 4. That the City Attorney is hereby authorized to direct the publisher of the Code to make such nonsubstantive changes to the Code as are necessary to conform to the provisions adopted in this Ordinance and also to make such changes to the provisions adopted in this Ordinance to conform them to the provisions and conventions of the published Code.

Section 5. That, if any provision, section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance, or the application of same to any person or set of circumstances is for any reason held to be unconstitutional, void or invalid, the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance or their application to other persons or sets of circumstances shall not be affected thereby, it being the intent of the City Council in adopting this Ordinance that no portion hereof or provision or regulation contained herein shall become inoperative or fail by reason of any unconstitutionality, voidness or invalidity of any other portion hereof, and all provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable for that purpose.

Section 6. That there exists a public emergency requiring that this Ordinance be passed finally on the date of its introduction as requested in writing by the Mayor; therefore, this Ordinance shall be passed finally on such date and shall take effect upon the date of its passage and adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 16th day of September, 2020.


 Mayor of the City of Houston

Prepared by Legal Dept. ^{TKL} 
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 Requested by Steve Wright, Director, Parks and Recreation Department
 L.D. No. 0492000103001

Standards of Care Ordinance

AYE	NO	
✓		MAYOR TURNER
....	COUNCIL MEMBERS
✓		PECK
✓		DAVIS
✓		KAMIN
✓		EVANS-SHABAZZ
✓		MARTIN
✓		THOMAS
✓		TRAVIS
✓		CISNEROS
✓		GALLEGOS
✓		POLLARD
✓		MARTHA CASTEX-TATUM
✓		KNOX
✓		ROBINSON
✓		KUBOSH
✓		PLUMMER
✓		ALCORN
CAPTION	ADOPTED	

CAPTION PUBLISHED IN DAILY COURT
 REVIEW
 DATE: **SEP 22 2020**