



City Council Communication

AGENDA DATE: May 12, 2025

LEGISTAR ITEM #: Pres 25-227

SUBMITTED BY: Kathy LeVeque

DEPARTMENT: Parks, Recreation & Golf

<input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance	<input type="checkbox"/> Resolution	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Presentation
<input type="checkbox"/> Admin Business	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Hearing	<input type="checkbox"/> Other

REQUEST

Provide direction on whether and how park curfew hours should change and if PRG should increase the contract with Front Range Patrol to conduct after-hours patrols of parks seven days per week.

BACKGROUND

On November 18, 2024, City Council approved a motion directing the City Attorney to prepare a legal memorandum analyzing whether City Council may amend section 7-1004 of the Commerce City Revised Municipal Code (“CCRMC”) to change the park curfew from 11:00 p.m. to dusk, 9 p.m., or another time that it deems appropriate for purposes of protecting public health and safety.

On January 27, 2025, City Council directed staff to look into options to change the park curfew.

On February 18, 2025, PRG staff shared this topic with the Parks, Recreation & Golf Advisory Committee.

Currently, the park curfew is from 11pm to 5am, daily for all parks, open spaces, and trails. During daylight hours, seven days per week, Park Rangers patrol parks, trails, and open spaces and provide education and enforcement of the park rules. After hours, PRG contracts with Front Range Patrol to patrol select parks on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays.

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION CONTINUED

Staff is presenting a variety of options for Council consideration in potentially changing park curfew hours, and potentially increasing the contract with Front Range Patrol to conduct after-hours patrols of parks seven days per week.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Contractor	N/A
Amount of Request/Contract	\$Varies based on Council direction
Amount Not To Exceed	\$N/A
Amount Budgeted	\$N/A
Budget Year	FYN/A
Funding Source	N/A
Additional Funds Needed	\$N/A
Funding Source (if funds needed)	N/A

PROJECT TIMELINE

Estimated Start Date	Estimated End Date
N/A	N/A
Years and Months of Contract	Number of Times Renewable
N/A	N/A

JUSTIFICATION

<input type="checkbox"/> Council Goal	<input type="checkbox"/> Strategic Plan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Work Plan	<input type="checkbox"/> Legal
Citation	On January 27, 2025, City Council directed staff to look into options to change the park curfew.		

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS ASSIGNED

Board or Commission	Parks, Recreation & Golf Advisory Committee
Recommendation	N/A
Date of Recommendation	February 18, 2025

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION CONTINUED

PUBLIC OUTREACH

Staff presented this topic at the PRG Advisory Committee meeting on February 18, 2025, and received feedback from the members.

AVAILABLE ACTIONS

- Approve the recommendation as submitted to maintain current park curfew hours and increase the contract with Front Range Patrol.
- Approve one of the alternative options to change park curfew hours.
- Approve one of the alternative options to change park curfew hours and increase the contract with Front Range Patrol.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends action #1, approval of the recommendation.