

ORDINANCE NO. 2710

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COMMERCE CITY REVISED MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE III ESTABLISHING THE PARKS, RECREATION AND GOLF COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the City of Commerce City (“City”), by and through the City Council of the City of Commerce City (“City Council”), on March 21, 2016, approved and adopted Resolution 2016-12, establishing the Parks, Recreation and Golf Advisory Committee (“PRGAC”);

WHEREAS, on May 17, 2021, the City Council updated the purpose provisions of the PRGAC by way of Resolution 2021-40;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 11.1 of the City Charter, the City Council is authorized to create boards and commissions and appoint members to such boards and commissions as set forth in the Charter, the Commerce City Revised Municipal Code (“CCRMC”), and the City of Commerce City Council Policies;

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to convert PRGAC to a formally recognized commission known as the Parks, Recreation and Golf Commission (“PRGC”) that shall be codified in Chapter 2, Article III of the Commerce City Revised Municipal Code;

WHEREAS, the City is committed to promoting the public health, safety, and welfare of its residents;

WHEREAS, the City recognizes the importance of health, fitness, access to recreation, parks, and community events that support the City’s local businesses while ensuring a healthy, engaged, and supportive community for City residents;

WHEREAS, the City has numerous parks, open spaces, trails, recreation facilities, and a golf course and it is essential to the community to have access to recreation activities, support in health and fitness, and places to gather as a community;

WHEREAS, fostering collaboration among City residents, businesses, summer camps, recreation activities, fitness activities, and events in our public spaces is crucial for the health and wellbeing of City residents, and

WHEREAS, the establishment of PRGC as a formally recognized commission will provide a more structured approach to identifying and addressing the City’s goals for community health, wellbeing, and engagement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE CITY, COLORADO, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Findings. The recitals to this ordinance are incorporated as findings of the City Council. This ordinance is found to be necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, and welfare and in the public interest.

SECTION 2. Commission Established. A commission to be known as the Parks, Recreation and Golf Commission (“PRGC”) is hereby established pursuant to Section 11.1 of the City Charter.

SECTION 3. Functions. PRGC shall advise the City Council on matters related to City owned and controlled parks, trails, open spaces, golf and recreation facilities; and parks, recreation and golf programs and services conducted both within and without the boundaries of the City. The Commission will:

- a. make recommendations pertaining to the planning, development, regulation, maintenance, capital repair and replacement (capital improvement project annual review) and operation of facilities, programs, and services, fees and charges and issues brought forth by the community, boards and commissions and City staff;
- b. participate in public engagement processes related to the commission’s work;
- c. participate in capital project milestones such as groundbreakings, progress tours, and grand openings;
- d. participate in the naming of parks, recreation, and golf facilities in accordance with applicable Council Policies;
- e. promote public awareness and understanding of parks, recreation, and golf programs, services, facilities, and projects; and
- f. advocate for park, recreation and golf programs and services that support: health and wellness essential to improve individual and community-level health; equitable access for all people; and conservation providing critical green spaces that connect people to the outdoors and are beneficial to our environment.

SECTION 4. Membership. The City Council shall appoint up to thirteen (13) commission members as follows: up to nine (9) regular voting members; up to two (2) alternates; and two (2) City Council members.

SECTION 5. Appointment & Terms. Except for vacancies in unexpired terms, which shall be filled in accordance with the Charter, the appointment of City Council members whose terms shall coincide with the organization meetings of the City Council, and any appointments made to ensure the appropriate staggering of terms, members shall be appointed for a period of three (3) years and shall serve no more than two (2) consecutive terms or until a successor has been appointed. Members of the current PRGAC shall convert to being members of PRGC and shall complete their terms accordingly.

SECTION 6. Meetings. PRGC shall meet as necessary to perform its duties. Notice of any meeting of the commission, and the agenda for such meeting, shall be posted on the City’s website.

SECTION 7. Quorum. Five (5) regular voting members or alternates shall constitute a quorum.

SECTION 8. Applicability of Charter and Council Policies. The Committee and its membership and appointments shall be subject to the requirements of the City Charter, as amended, the Commerce City Revised Municipal Code, as amended, and applicable Council Policies, as amended.

SECTION 9. Repealer. All other ordinances or portions thereof inconsistent or conflicting with this ordinance or any portion hereof are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 10. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon passage on second and final reading.

INTRODUCED, PASSED ON FIRST READING AND PUBLIC NOTICE ORDERED
THIS 6TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2025.

PASSED ON SECOND AND FINAL READING AND PUBLIC NOTICE ORDERED
THIS 3RD DAY OF NOVEMBER 2025.

CITY OF COMMERCE CITY, COLORADO

Steve J. Douglas, Mayor

ATTEST

Kim Garland, Acting City Clerk