

**CITY OF MEDICAL LAKE  
SPOKANE COUNTY, WASHINGTON  
ORDINANCE NO. 1129**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MEDICAL LAKE, WASHINGTON AMENDING  
TITLE 9, CHAPTER 9.11 OF THE MEDICAL LAKE MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING  
CONDUCT IN PARKS.**

WHEREAS, the City of Medical Lake Municipal Code (MLMC) Title 9 contains regulations regarding peace, safety, and morals; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of Medical Lake deems it necessary to amend the operating hours for parks within the City to better serve the public and ensure the safety and enjoyment of all residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Medical Lake, Washington does ordain as follows:

**Section 1.** Amendment. MLMC Section 9.11.060 – Tents or Temporary Shelters is hereby amended to read as follows:

No person shall erect or maintain any tent or other temporary shelter or park any automobile when parks are closed for the purpose of camping or staying overnight in a public park within the city. Persons who have properly registered and have paid the applicable fees may park a self-contained trailer, motorhome, or tent in the designated area of Waterfront Park for the purpose of staying overnight.

**Section 2.** Amendment. MLMC Section 9.11.081 – Park Hours is hereby amended to read as follows:

City parks shall have the following hours of operation:

April 1<sup>st</sup> to September 30<sup>th</sup> – open at 6:00 a.m. and close at 9:00 p.m.; and

October 1<sup>st</sup> to March 31<sup>st</sup> – open at 6:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m.

All activities, events, and access to park facilities must occur within these hours, unless otherwise authorized by special event permit or City authorization.

**Section 3.** Ratification. Any act consistent with the authority and prior to the effective date of this Ordinance is hereby ratified and affirmed.

**Section 4.** Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance.

**Section 5.** Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect five (5) days after publication of this Ordinance or a summary thereof in the official newspaper of the City as provided by law.


PASSED by the City Council this 5<sup>th</sup> day of November 2024.

  
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Mayor, Terri Cooper

ATTEST:

  
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Finance Director/City Clerk Koss Ronholt

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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City Attorney, Sean P. Boutz