

ORDINANCE NO. **8518**

AN ORDINANCE relating to the use of King County natural resources and parks facilities, establishing rules for the use of facilities, penalties for violations of rules, and policy regarding park security; adding new section to K.C.C. 7.12 and amending Ordinance 6798, Part V, Section 65, and K.C.C. 7.12.650.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

NEW SECTION. SECTION 1. There is added to K.C.C. 7.12

Part III, a new section to be read as follows:

Trail Use.

A. No person shall travel on a trail at a speed greater than is reasonable and prudent under the conditions and having regard to the actual and potential hazards then existing. In every event, speed shall be so controlled as may be necessary to avoid colliding with others who are complying with the law and using reasonable care. Travel at speeds in excess of 15 miles per hour shall constitute in evidence a prima facie presumption that the person violated this section.

B. No person shall travel on a trail in a negligent manner. For the purposes of this section "travel on a trail in a negligent manner" shall be construed to mean any form of travel on a trail in such a manner as to endanger or be likely to endanger any persons or property.

C. For the purposes of this section "travel" shall be construed to include all forms of movement or transportation on a trail, including but not limited to foot, bicycle, horse, skateboard, and rollerskates.

D. Every person traveling on a trail shall obey the instructions of any official traffic control device applicable thereto placed in accordance with applicable laws unless otherwise directed by a police officer.

1 E. Every person who shall use or travel on a trail shall obey
2 the Model Trail User Code of Conduct.

3 F. Model Trail User Code of Conduct

4 1. USING A TRAIL. Every person using a trail shall stay as
5 near to the right side of the trail as is safe, excepting those
6 movements necessary to prepare to make or make turning movements,
7 or while overtaking and passing another user moving in the same
8 direction.

9 2. REGARD FOR OTHER TRAIL USERS. Every user shall exercise
10 due care and caution to avoid colliding with any other trail user.
11 All users shall travel in a consistent and predictable manner.

12 3. GROUPS ON TRAIL. No group of trail users, including
13 their animal(s), shall occupy more than one half of the trail as
14 measured from the right side, so as to impede the normal and
15 reasonable movement of trail users.

16 4. AUDIBLE SIGNAL WHEN PASSING. Every user shall give an
17 audible warning signal before passing another trail user. The
18 signal must be produced in such a manner as to allow adequate time
19 for response. The signal may be given by voice, bell or horn.

20 5. OVERTAKING TRAIL USERS ON THE LEFT. Any trail user
21 overtaking another trail user proceeding in the same direction
22 shall pass to the left of such overtaken user at a safe distance,
23 and shall stay to the left until safely clear of the overtaken user.

24 6. ENTERING AND CROSSING TRAIL. Trail users entering or
25 crossing the trail at uncontrolled points shall yield to traffic on
26 the trail.

27 7. LIGHTS ON TRAIL USERS. All bicyclists using the trail
28 from one-half hour before sunset to one-half hour before sunrise
29 shall equip their bicycles with a headlight visible 500 feet to the
30 front, and a red or amber light visible 500 feet to the rear.

1 SECTION 2. Ordinance 6897, Part V, Section 65, and K.C.C.
 2 7.12.650. is hereby amended to read as follows: Infractions. A.
 3 Failure to perform any act required or the performance of any act
 4 prohibited by Part III of this Chapter shall be designated as an
 5 infraction.

6 B. Any person cited for ~~((an infraction of K.C.C. 7.12.650))~~ a
 7 violation of Part III of this chapter, shall be subject to the
 8 applicable Justice Court Rules ((of Procedure)) and bail schedules.

9 C. Any person found guilty of committing an infraction shall
 10 be assessed a monetary penalty not to exceed \$500.00.

11 D. A finding that an infraction has been committed shall not
 12 give rise to any other legal disability which is based upon
 13 conviction of a crime.

14 INTRODUCED AND READ FOR THE FIRST TIME THIS 11th day
 15 of April, 1988.

16 PASSED THIS 23rd day of May, 1988.

17 KING COUNTY COUNCIL
 18 KING COUNTY WASHINGTON

19 Gary Grant
 20 Chairman

21 ATTEST:

22 Dorothy M. Owens
 23 Clerk of the Council

24 APPROVED THIS 1 day of June, 1988

25 Jim Hill
 26 King County Executive