

**ORDINANCE NO. 1154**

**AN ORDINANCE TO RECIND ORDINANCE NO. 204, ORDINANCE NO. 858, ORDINANCE NO. 869, AND ORDINANCE NO. 988, AND TO AMEND THE CITY OF LOWELL CODE OF ORDINANCES SECTION 24, ARTICLE II, PARK RULES, SECTION 24-19.**

**WHEREAS**, it has come to the attention of the City Council for the City of Lowell, Arkansas, that the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lowell, Arkansas should be amended and clarified as to the use of Lowell city parks; and,

**WHEREAS**, contained in these amendments is the specific provision to allow sales of beer and wine only in Kathleen Johnson Memorial Park and Ward Nail Park and only during certain City Council sanctioned festivals.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Lowell, Arkansas:

**SECTION 1. CITY PARKS REGULATIONS**

- A. Lowell city parks are open for public use from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. unless the Mayor or his designee extend these hours.
- B. No unauthorized motorized vehicles shall be permitted within the boundaries of the city parks at any time, except in parking areas.
- C. Possession of firearms and weapons is prohibited unless permission is granted by the Mayor or his designee.
- D. Alcoholic beverages are permitted in Ward Nail Park or Kathleen Johnson Memorial Park during Mudtown Days and shall be permitted in Ward Nail Park during certain city council-sanctioned festival(s) by vote of the city council; during which time vendors shall be permitted to sell beer and wine only and such beverages may be consumed only within designated area(s) in the parks. Such distribution and consumption shall be in accordance with applicable state law, regulations and city ordinances. Alcohol sales and consumption are not allowed in any other city park.
- E. Smoking is not allowed within park buildings.
- F. Defacement, destruction, removal or disturbance of property, equipment or natural features is prohibited.
- G. Causing damage to signs, shelters and other structures is prohibited.
- H. It is unlawful to litter or dump trash in the park. Overnight camping is prohibited without express written permission of the Mayor or his designee.
- I. Fishing (catch and release) activities are allowed unless otherwise noted. All State laws apply.
- J. Solicitations and sales are prohibited without express written permission of the Mayor or his designee.
- K. Disorderly conduct is prohibited.

- M. Pets must be restrained on a leash. No pets are allowed in buildings. Owners must clean up after their pets.
- N. Fires are restricted to proper containers, in limited areas. No ground fires are permitted without written permission of the Mayor or his designee.
- O. All reservations are subject to fees.

## SECTION 2. FINES


Any person found guilty of violating the provisions of this ordinance shall be subject to a fine of not less than twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars nor more than three hundred (\$300.00) dollars for each violation.

## SECTION 3.

That Ordinance No. 204, Ordinance No. 858, Ordinance No. 869, and Ordinance No. 988, are hereby rescinded, and all other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict, and if any portion of this ordinance shall be found to be invalid or illegal for any reason, the remaining portions of this ordinance shall remain in full effect.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED, this 18<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2025

APPROVED:



Chris Moore, Mayor

ATTEST:



Elizabeth Estes, City Clerk  
(SEAL)

