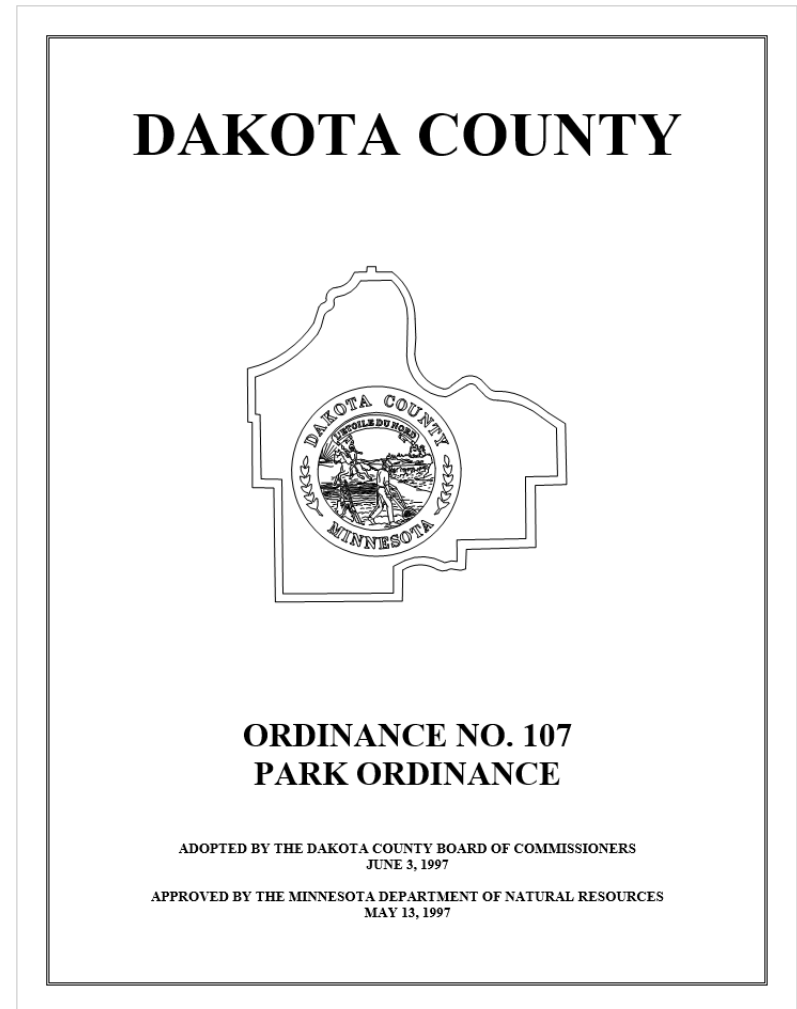


Update of Dakota County Ordinance No. 107

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- Rules and regulations for use of parks and greenways
- Adopted 1997
- Update needed
 - Revise existing
 - Address new activities
 - Reclassify certain offenses



Damage to Park Property

CHAPTER V - PROTECTION OF PROPERTY, STRUCTURES, & NATURAL RESOURCES

Section A - Destruction/Defacement of Park Property/Signs

It shall be unlawful for any person to:

1. Intentionally deface, vandalize, tamper with or otherwise cause destruction to park property; or
2. Intentionally deface, destroy, cover, damage, tamper with or remove any placard, notice or sign, or parts thereof, whether permanent or temporary, posted or exhibited by the Parks Department.



Drones/Unmanned Aircraft Systems

Section D - Aviation

It shall be unlawful for any person to use a County Park as a starting or landing field for aircraft, hot air balloons, parachutes, hang gliders or other flying apparatus.

Section E - Engine-powered Models and Toys

It shall be unlawful for any person to start, fly or use any fuel- or battery-powered model aircraft, model boat, model car, or rocket or like powered toy or model within a County Park, except in those areas or waters designated by the Park Director for such use.



Reclassify Offenses

Section B - Statutory Authority

The Dakota County Board of Commissioners, under Minnesota Statutes, Section 398.31 - 398.35 in performing its primary duty of the acquisition, development, operation and maintenance of County parks, trails, and related facilities and providing the means for public access to lakes, rivers, streams and other natural features; is granted full power and authority to acquire and establish the above facilities and to operate, maintain, protect, and improve a park system and implement a recreational program. As aid to the accomplishment of these duties, the Board is granted the authority to enact ordinances and to declare that the violation thereof shall be a **misdemeanor**.



Equity Lens

Section B - Noise/Amplification of Sound

It shall be unlawful, when in a County Park, for any person to:

1. Operate or permit the use or operation of any loudspeaker, sound amplifier or other device for the production or reproduction of sound, except for special programs or events at dates and times as authorized by permit;



Phase I: Prepare 2019

Review existing Ordinance

Determine issues needing
revision/addition

Identify related laws,
regulations, and policies

Benchmark similar agencies

Document potential revisions



Phase II: Revise 2020

Develop revised Ordinance
language

Consultation and review by
subject matter experts

Public engagement

Presentation to PLAN C

Adoption by County Board

1. Additional topics to consider?
2. Guiding principles to address potentially competing or conflicting issues?
3. Advance equity and inclusion through the update?