



Proposed Draft Revisions of Ordinance No. 107 (Park Ordinance)

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Overview



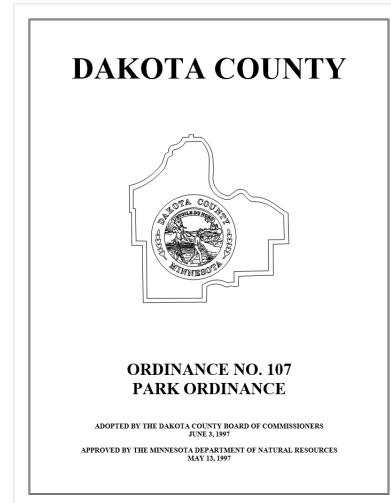
- Project Purpose & Background
- Process Update
- Proposed Revisions
- Discussion

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Purpose



- Rules and regulations for use of parks and greenways
- Adopted 1997
- Update needed
 - Revise existing language
 - Address new activities
 - Provide clarifications



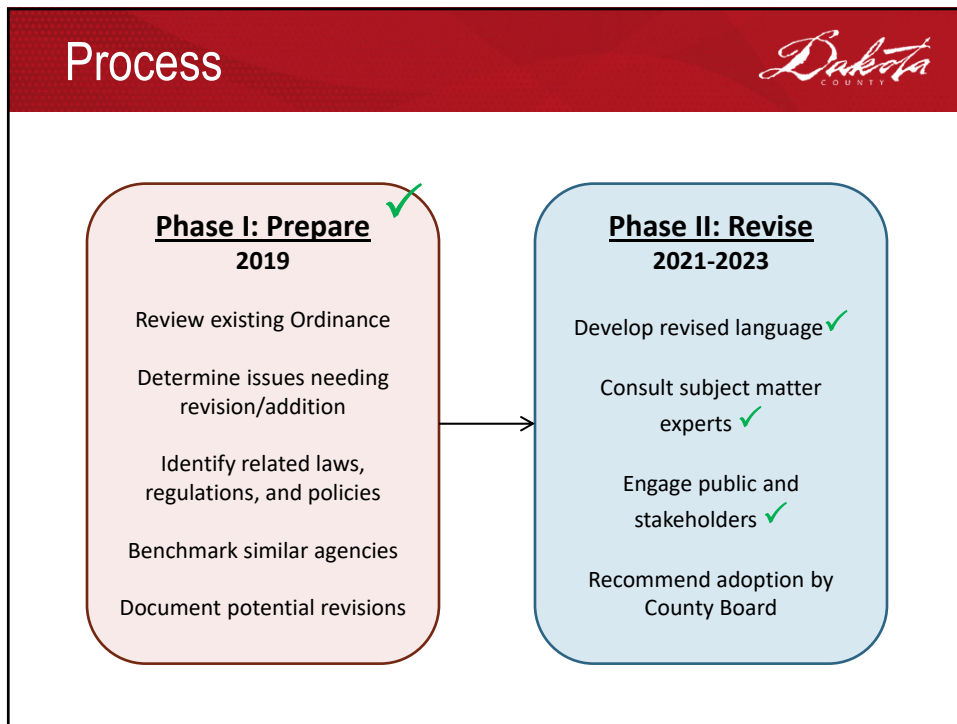
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Priorities




- The Ordinance should be contemporary and dynamic.
- The Ordinance should recognize systemic inequalities and substantially advance inclusion.
- The Ordinance should be easy for the County to communicate and easy for users to understand.

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Topics



<u>Recreational Activities</u> Cabins & campgrounds Cliff jumping Dangerous games Disc golf Drones/unmanned aircraft systems Geocaching Golf Greenway Inflatables Moving benches/property Outdoor grilling Rock climbing	<u>Fair Use</u> Amplified noise Assembly Electric vehicle use Handbills Horse carts Mobility devices Commercial uses Fees Permits, failure to display	<u>Preservation of Cultural and Natural Resources</u> Aquatic invasive species Archeological digging Firewood Foraging Hammocks Hunting Metal detecting	<u>Public Safety</u> Alcohol and drug use Animals, dumping of Child safety Damage to park property Firearms, possession Littering Parking enforcement Personal property, semi-permanent and abandonment Pets, impoundment of Restrooms, use of Signage Sleeping in vehicles Tobacco/e-cigarette use
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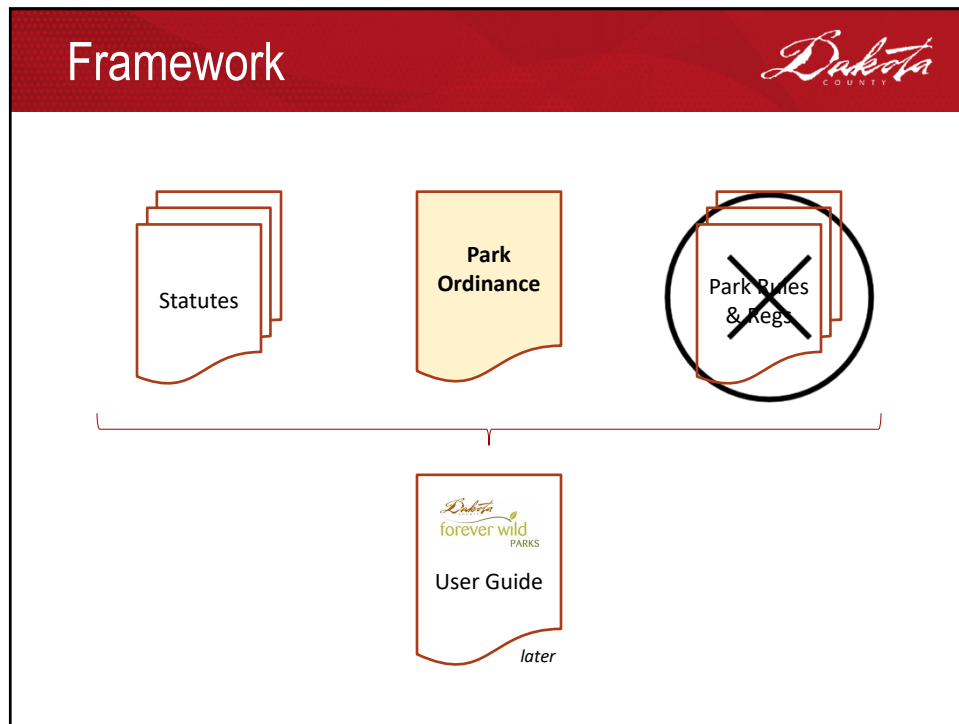
Visitor Experience

Resource Protection

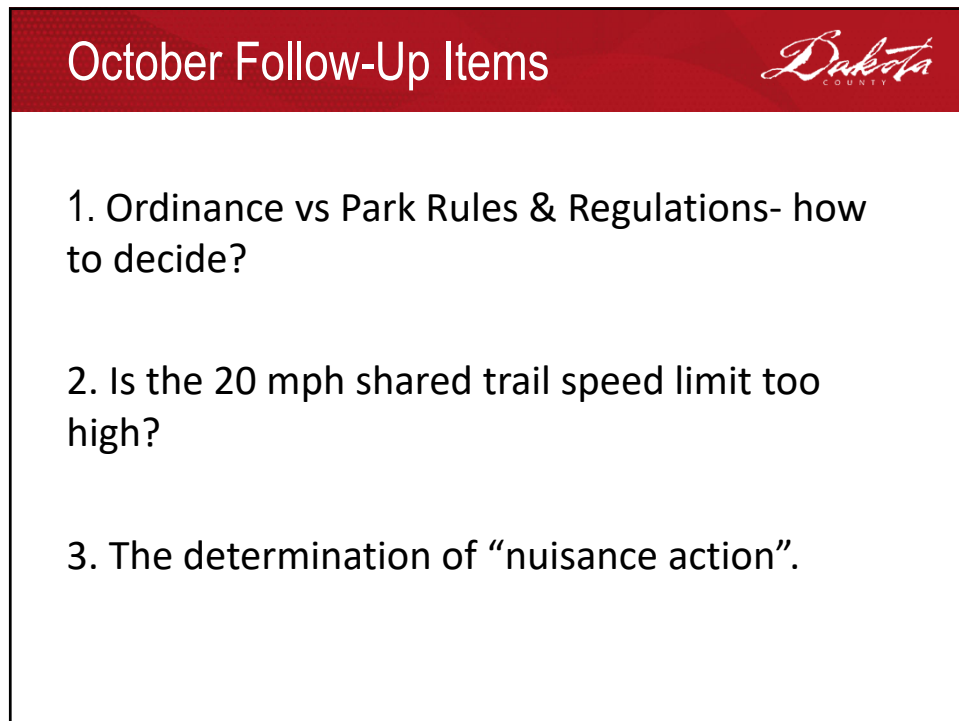
Enforceability

Inclusion

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October Follow-Up Items



4. Amplified noise levels
5. Electric mobility devices
6. Allowing for special hunts
7. Employees and contractors being "exempt"

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8. Volunteers being "exempt" from disturbance of wildlife ordinance
9. Change from "not permitted unless" to "allowed under _____ conditions"

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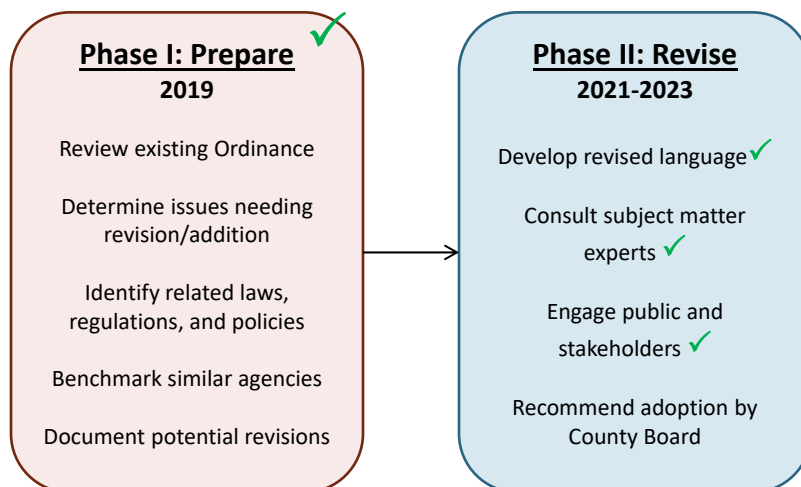
New Changes



1. Alcohol and Controlled Substances
2. Trespass Enforcement
3. Many Park Rules and Regulations moved to Park Ordinance per COA

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Process



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Next Steps



- 3/21/23 Planning Commission to recommend review with County Board
- 4/18/23 County Board Review
- 4/25/23 Schedule Public Hearing
- 5/9/23 Public Hearing and County Board Adoption
- 5/10/23 Send to DNR for Review and Approval

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Future Work



Develop User Guide

Staff Training

Decriminalize Park Ordinance Violations

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Request of Planning Commission



Recommend that staff present the revised Park Ordinance No. 107 to the County Board at the PDC meeting on April 18th as an information item

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