## ORDINANCE NO. 2020-

## AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT LIMITATIONS ON THE USE OF PARKS AND ESTABLISHING A PENALTY FOR VIOLATION OF SUCH LIMITATIONS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PRAIRIE GROVE, ARKANSAS, THAT:

Section One: Title. This Ordinance shall be known as the Park Regulation

Ordinance of 2020.

Section Two: Motorized Vehicle Use Prohibited.

From and after the effective date of this Ordinance, the use of ATVs, UTVs, motorbikes, go-carts and golf carts is prohibited within the boundaries of Rieff-Park, Mock Park, Muddy Fork Park or the Donald Parks Tennis Complex. Nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed to prohibit the use of street-legal, licensed motorized vehicles on parking lots and entrance drives.

Section Three: Penalty

From and after the effective date of this Ordinance, any person found to be in violation of this Ordinance may be cited and brought before the Washington County District Court, Prairie Grove Department. Any person who pleads guilty or is found guilty of a violation shall be fined as follows:

- (a) no less than \$25.00 and no more than \$100.00 for a first offense;
- (b) no less than \$100.00 and no more than \$250.00 for any offense occurring within 12 months of a prior conviction;
- (c) any violation that is continuous in excess of 7 days shall be fined no more than \$25.00 per day.

Section Four: Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective from and after 60 days of its posting unless an Emergency Clause is affixed hereto.

Section Five: Repealing Clause. Ordinances or parts thereof in force at the time that this ordinance shall take effect that are in conflict herewith, are hereby repealed.

<u>Section Six:</u> <u>Saving Clause.</u> Nothing herein shall be deemed to affect any rights or obligations existing at the time of the passage of this ordinance.

Section Seven: Severability Clause. In the event any portion of this ordinance is declared inoperative or invalid as a result of a statute or judicial decision, then only that portion expressly so declared to be inoperative or invalid shall be affected thereby and all other provisions hereof shall remain in full force and effect.

Section Eight: Emergency Clause. The City Council finds that use of motorized vehicles in city parks has become a problem following the opening of Muddy Fork Park; that damage to City property is occurring; and that conflicts between users of the parks has arisen. For these factual reasons, an emergency is declared to exist and this Ordinance shall take immediate effect.

Approved this 15th day of June 2020.

Charles (Sonny) Hudson, Mayor

(Attest)

Christine Kelly, City Clerk