

ORDINANCE NO. C-

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH AMENDING THE LONG BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE BY AMENDING SECTION 6.16.310 PROVIDING FOR THE EXERCISE OF DOGS UPON A DESIGNATED PORTION OF THE BEACH OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH

The City Council of the City of Long Beach ordains as follows:

Section 1. Section 6.16.310 of the Long Beach Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

6.16.310 Dog Exercise Area on the Beach.

Notwithstanding any other Ordinance or Rules of the City of Long Beach, dogs may be permitted, during the below mentioned times of day, on that part of the beach of the City of Long Beach bounded between the halfway point between Argonne and St. Joseph Avenues (the eastern boundary) and the halfway point between Roycroft and Quincy Avenues (the eastern boundary) from the waterline to the designated boundary markers located approximately 60 yards from the water line (the northern boundary) to be designated by appropriate posting by the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine. Dogs are permitted on this designated part of the beach for the purpose of exercise. The hours that dogs may be so on the beach shall be set at the discretion of the Director of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine. The Ordinance shall remain in effect only until October 31, 2004 and as of November 1, 2004, is repealed. Permission for dogs to be on this designated area of the beaches of the City of Long Beach may be revoked at any time by the Director of the

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1 Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine by appropriate posting at the
2 designated area mentioned above.

3 With regard to said use of this designated part of the beach of the City of
4 Long Beach:

5 A. The dog exercise area must be accessed from adjacent parking lot in
6 90-degree angle to the marked boundaries of the dog exercise area.

7 B. Each dog must be under the control of an adult, and only one dog per
8 adult is permitted. The dog must be under visual and voice control by
9 owner/guardian at all times. Dogs that do not respond to voice commands are
10 not permitted.

11 C. All dogs must wear a collar with current tags.

12 D. All dogs must have current vaccinations and licenses.

13 E. As a condition of admission to such dog exercise area, the
14 owner/guardian of such dog shall use a suitable container or instrument to
15 remove dog feces and shall dispose of it in waste containers provided for that
16 purposes.

17 F. Aggressive dogs are not permitted. Owners are legally responsible for
18 any injury caused by their dogs.

19 G. Dogs shall not be left unattended.

20 H. Dogs under four (4) months olds are not permitted.

21 I. Female dogs in heat are not permitted.

22 J. Professional dog trainers may not use the dog exercise area to
23 conduct classes or individual instruction.

24 K. Children shall be accompanied by an adult and shall not run, shout,
25 scream, waive their arms, or otherwise excite or antagonize dogs.

26 L. Bicycles, roller blades, roller skates, skateboards, strollers, and the
27 like, are not permitted. Wheelchairs and other aids for the disabled are
28 permitted.

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M. Spiked collars on dogs are not permitted.

N. The owner/guardian of a dog must have in his/her possession a leash for the dog which shall be worn by the dog at all times that the dog is ingressing/egressing the dog exercise area.

O. Dog owners/guardians shall provide drinking water for their dogs.

P. No food of any kind is permitted in the dog exercise area during the designated hours.

Q. Dog owners/guardians shall otherwise comply with all rules governing the beaches and relevant parking regulations.

R. No one shall play any team sport including but not limited to football, baseball, soccer, rugby and volleyball during the designated dog exercise hours. The use of a frisbee or a small, retrievable ball is permitted.

S. Use of the dog exercise area by the dog shall constitute implied consent of the dog's owner to all regulations and shall constitute a waiver of liability to the City of Long Beach and an agreement to protect, defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the City of Long Beach, its officials and employees for any injury or damage caused by a dog when the dog is not on a leash.

T. The Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine shall have the discretion to terminate the pilot program prior to its scheduled conclusion.

Sec. 2. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance by the City Council and cause it to be posted in three conspicuous places in the City of Long Beach, and it shall take effect on the thirty-first day after it is approved by the Mayor.

I hereby certify that the foregoing ordinance was adopted by the City Council of

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the City of Long Beach at its meeting of _____, 2004, by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: _____

Noes: Councilmembers: _____

Absent: Councilmembers: _____

City Clerk

Approved: _____
(Dated)

(Mayor)

JCP:sek
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