



## Legislation Text

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First Reading of Ordinance No. 19-1007, Designating Barclay Hills Park as a Park Under Oregon City Charter Chapter X

### **RECOMMENDED ACTION (Motion):**

Approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 19-1007, Designating Barclay Hills Park as a Park Under Oregon City Charter Chapter X.

### **BACKGROUND:**

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee (PRAC) was established in 1983 by the City Commission to advocate for recreational opportunities for Oregon City and to oversee implementation of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. To ensure recreational opportunities are preserved in Oregon City, the PRAC has undertaken the review of the charter park status of all Oregon City parks which are owned and managed by the Oregon City Parks and Recreation Department.

Oregon City owns thirty-six parks, eleven of those are identified in Section 42 of Chapter X of the City Charter making them charter parks. Seventeen more parks (Abernethy Creek Park, Jon Storm Park, Park Place Park, Filbert Run Park, Chapin Park, Wesley Lynn Park, Richard Bloom Tots' Park, Hartke Park, Hazelwood Park, Shenandoah Park, Hillendale Park, Tyrone S. Woods Memorial Park, Glen Oak Park, Canemah Slope Park, Straight Pioneer Cemetery, Stafford Park, Old Canemah Park, and Pioneer Community Center) were added to the charter through the provisions outlined in Section 43, which allows charter park designation through ordinance adoption. Identification in the City Charter ensures park protection by preventing the transfer, sale, vacation or major changes to charter parks without a legal vote of the people.

Of the remaining eight non-charter parks, the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee agreed that two neighboring parks identified in the 1999 Parks Master Plan should be considered one charter park. This charter park is comprised of the land encompassed by the Barclay Hills Park (6 tax lots), a developed neighborhood park; the Barclay Hills Site (1 tax lot), an undeveloped wooded site; as well as one additional City acquired parcel.

Through adoption of this Ordinance, Barclay Hills Park will be comprised of 8 tax lots with a majority of the park (7 tax lots) having been deeded to the City by developers between 1975 and 1993 and one tax lot acquired by the City in 2008 for \$50. Adoption of Ordinance No. 19-1007 will designate Barclay Hills Park as a park under Chapter X of the City Charter and ensure protection of the site as a park.