# ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_ (NEW SERIES)

# AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 4, DIVISION 1, OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE OF REGULATORY ORDINANCES RELATING TO RULES AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO COUNTY PARKS

The Board of Supervisors of the County of San Diego ordains as follows:

Section 1. The Board of Supervisors finds and determines that clarification is needed in the San Diego County Code regarding the power of Park Rangers to issue citations for violations of rules and regulations in County parks. The Board of Supervisors finds and determines that paintball guns should be added to the types of devices prohibited in County parks, that fire rings should be added to the code section pertaining to where fires are permitted and that clarification is needed regarding the guidelines for properly extinguishing contained fires in County parks and the responsibility of the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation in regards to rules and regulations for the operation of County parks. Accordingly, the appropriate sections of Title 4 of the San Diego County Code shall be amended to reflect these findings of the Board of Supervisors. Additionally, Section 41.139.3 is added to require safety equipment be worn when skateboarding or skating in County-owned facilities.

Section 2. Section 41.102 of the San Diego County Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

# SEC. 41.102. DIRECTOR TO OPERATE PARKS.

The operation and maintenance of all County parks shall be under the control of the Director subject to the supervision of the Chief Administrative Officer. Each Park Ranger of a County park is responsible for enforcing the provisions of this chapter and the rules and regulations of the Director, and shall take appropriate action in the case of any violations thereof. Each Park Ranger shall have the power to issue citations for such violations as provided in Section 13.101 of this Code. However, the Director shall determine whether the appropriate enforcement action shall be encouraging voluntary compliance or issuing citations.

Section 3. Section 41.103 of the San Diego County Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

#### SEC. 41.103. RULES AND REGULATIONS.

The Director shall establish and implement rules and regulations for the operation of County parks and fees and charges for the use of County parks, which shall be effective from the time they are approved by the Board of Supervisors. Such rules and regulations, or excerpts thereof, shall be posted in County parks if such posting is feasible in the opinion of the Director; irrespective of posting, copies of such rules and regulations shall be available to persons desiring

copies thereof at the office of the Director during business hours. No person shall violate and no person shall fail to comply with said rules and regulations.

Section 4. Section 41.117 of the San Diego County Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

#### SEC. 41.117. WEAPONS AND FIREWORKS.

No person shall use, transport, carry, fire, or discharge any fireworks, firearm, weapon, air gun, archery device, slingshot, paintball gun or explosive of any kind across, in or into a County park.

Section 5. Section 41.119 of the San Diego County Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

### SEC. 41.119. STOVES AND FIRE RINGS

No person using a park stove or fire ring shall permit such stove or fire ring to remain in any untidy or unsanitary condition, nor shall any such person fail to clear away therefrom all cooking and eating utensils and waste matter after use thereof. Any person who uses a park stove or fire ring, when such use is completed, shall completely extinguish the fire therein.

Section 6. Section 41.139.3 is hereby added to the San Diego County Code to read as follows:

# SEC. 41.139.3 USE OF SAFETY EQUIPMENT AT COUNTY SKATEBOARD FACILITIES.

- (a) It is unlawful for any person to ride a skateboard, inline skates, rollerblades or other similar device at a recreational skateboard facility located on property owned by the County unless that person is wearing a helmet, elbow pads and knee pads.
- (b) An operator of a skateboard facility located on property owned by the County shall post signs at the facility as described in Health and Safety Code Section 115800(b)(2).

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