



**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - DAN SKINNER
MONDAY OCTOBER 23, 2017**

COMMITTEE MEETING: 7:30 PM

**PLACE: COUNCIL CHAMBERS
7232 E. MAIN ST, REYNOLDSBURG, OH 43068**

1. Call to Order

PRESENT: Clemens, Skinner, Cicak, Spalding

ABSENT:

2. Approval of Agenda

Agenda stands approved.

3. Approval of Minutes

Minutes stand approved.

a. Community Development Committee – Committee Meeting – October 9, 2017

4. Discussion

a. Tobacco/Smoking in City Parks

Mr. Hood: I consulted with the Parks and Rec Director last week and presented some new language for your consideration. What we have done is we have removed the 100 foot buffer area that was concerning the city council. We did maintain the signage requirements, but they are going to address the smoke and nicotine free zones as opposed to designating smoking zones in areas. No smoking or no nicotine beyond this point is the thought of the administration. Once again, an attempt here to address what it is your concerns are through legislation. The preference from the administration is to include this in the personal conduct section of the Parks and Recreation ordinances as opposed to having a stand-alone ordinance. Some cities do it that way exactly how we've done it with its own sub-section. Other cities have done it independently, but this does classify this offense as a minor misdemeanor as some other conduct in our parks. Someone who violates the ordinance can be removed from the park for violating the ordinance. Any questions?

Mr. Long: Thanks Jed. Part of the concerns that were expressed by some members of council the last we discussed this is that naturally we as a legislative represent 36,000 plus people in the City of Reynoldsburg and while we understand that it makes perfect sense to go ahead and in areas prohibit the utilization of tobacco or smoking or whatever, we do need to put in some provisions there to be able to perhaps accommodate an individual who still does smoke. This signage that they're talking about, in other words the demarcation point that

beyond this point you are not permitted to smoke would essentially do that?

Mr. Hood: Yes sir. Exactly. Another we've talked about as far as notification, I think you've heard my research has shown and also we had the gentleman who works for Franklin County Department of Health on this specific issue and under 21 tobacco usage. You really do have voluntary compliance when folks are notified. The question becomes awareness. How do we make folks aware? We have talked about some additional things that we would do besides signage. When the participant signs up for Parks and Rec programming there would be a notification there on our literature that we would send out as far as sign ups and our catalog and things like that. Columbus has been very successful in doing that. We would do a public awareness campaign as well, but also have the signs on site so there's no question.

Mr. Cicak: The Halloween Party this weekend. I hope this is the last Halloween Party I will ever see people smoking or vaping around the kids. So, I hope we get this done.

Mr. Skinner: Any other questions or comments? Thank you Mr. Hood.

Mr. Hood: Thank you and if you guys have certain questions or concerns about the proposed language and you want modifications or amendments please get a hold at your convenience. Thank you.

RESULT:	REFERRED TO COUNCIL [UNANIMOUS]	Next: 11/13/2017 7:45 PM
MOVER:	Dan Skinner, At Large	
SECONDER:	Marshall Spalding, Ward III	
AYES:	Clemens, Skinner, Cicak, Spalding	