



TOWN OF APPLE VALLEY

TOWN COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

To: Honorable Mayor and Town Council Date: August 28, 2012

From: Ralph Wright, Parks and Recreation Manager Item No: 16

Subject: CIVIC CENTER DOG PARK UPDATE

T.M. Approval: _____

Budgeted Item: Yes No N/A

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Town Council receive and file the report.

SUMMARY:

Construction on the Civic Center Dog Park has begun and is anticipated to be completed the week of September 3rd in time for the Pet Fair on September 8th. If possible, a grand opening or dedication ceremony will be scheduled as part of the Pet Fair festivities.

The Dog Park will consist of two separately fenced sections for dogs based on weight class. Area 1 will be for dogs 25 lbs and under and Area 2 for dogs over 25 lbs. Each section will have benches, a drinking fountain with a dog fountain and many doggie waste pet stations.

Attached is a draft of the proposed sign and dog park rules. The rules and regulations were drafted based on the recommendations of the California Joint Powers Insurance Authority, the Town's Code Enforcement Division and the Town's Animal Service's Division. An amendment of Chapter 11.68 of the Town of Apple Valley Municipal Code to include the dog park regulations will be presented to the Town Council in September for approval.

Attachments:

- 1) Proposed Dog Park Sign
- 2) Proposed Dog Park Rules

BACKGROUND:

Civic Center Park opened in 2007 and one of the planned amenities included a dog park. Existing amenities include the Aquatic Center, amphitheater, lighted walkways and a playground.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Civic Center Dog Park is funded primarily with EDI 06 funds along with a donation of \$1,000 from Pet Partners Inc.



A Better Way of Life

Civic Center Dog Park

The Town of Apple Valley welcomes you to our first designated Dog Park. In an effort to provide a “Better Way of Life” for all users, this Dog Park features designated areas for both large and small dogs, benches for owners, free doggie waste bags and water fountains. Double entrance and exit gates provide a secure environment for all. This Dog Park is a NON-SUPERVISED facility. Patrons should use this recreational dog facility at their own risk. The Town of Apple Valley accepts no responsibility for the dog owners or behavior/health of the dogs using this Dog Park.

All Dogs Shall be Spayed/Neutered and in Compliance with State and Local Laws at All Times. Please refer to the Dog Park Rules.

***THE TOWN OF APPLE VALLEY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REMOVE ANYONE
FROM THE DOG PARK AT ANY TIME FOR ANY REASON.***



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Civic Center Dog Park

Rules for Use

(Chapter 11.68 AVMC)

Dog Park users must comply with posted rules for the safety of everyone and every dog.

- All dogs shall be accompanied by a responsible person 16 years of age or older.
- Dogs must use designated area based on their size.
- All dogs using this facility shall be spayed/neutered.
- All dogs must be older than 4 months, vaccinated, licensed and wear a collar with current tags.
- A maximum of two (2) dogs per person is allowed.
- Leashed dogs are not permitted in the dog park.
- No spiked collars; they can hurt other dogs.
- Please pick up after your dogs and dispose of waste in provided containers.
- No aggressive dogs.

- Dog owners are legally responsible for injuries caused by their dog.
- Dog owners are responsible for any damage caused by their dog to this facility (Digging holes, chewing, etc.,)
- Bringing equipment, obstacles, or apparatus into the dog park is prohibited. (Lawn chairs, ice chests, etc.,)
- Glass containers are not allowed in the park.
- Special events, contests or commercial enterprises are not allowed in the dog park without prior written authorization from the Town Manager or designee.
- Professional dog trainers/handlers are not permitted to use the facility.
- All food, dog or human, is prohibited.
- Children under the age of 14 must be supervised by an adult.

Dog Park Hours: 7:00 a.m. to Dusk

Please refer any violation of these rules to
Apple Valley Animal Services at
760-240-7000 Ext. 7550



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