

1 [Park Code - Yerba Buena Gardens]

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3 **Ordinance amending the Park Code to allow dogs and certain types of athletic**  
4 **activities in Yerba Buena Gardens; to clarify that existing law prohibits the riding of**  
5 **bicycles and electric scooters in the Gardens; and to make a non-substantive**  
6 **correction regarding the authority of the Real Estate Division.**

7 NOTE: **Unchanged Code text and uncodified text** are in plain Arial font.  
8 **Additions to Codes** are in *single-underline italics Times New Roman font*.  
9 **Deletions to Codes** are in *strikethrough italics Times New Roman font*.  
10 **Board amendment additions** are in double-underlined Arial font.  
11 **Board amendment deletions** are in ~~strikethrough Arial font~~.  
12 **Asterisks (\* \* \* \*)** indicate the omission of unchanged Code  
13 subsections or parts of tables.

14 Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

15 Section 1. Article 11 of the Park Code is hereby amended by revising Sections 11.01,  
16 11.02, 11.03, and 11.04, to read as follows:

17 **SEC. 11.01. AUTHORITY OF THE REAL ESTATE DIVISION ~~REDEVELOPMENT~~**  
18 **~~AGENCY COMMISSION.~~**

19 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code, and consistent with Resolution No.  
20 162-18, the Director of Property, or the Director's designee, governing body of the Redevelopment  
21 Agency of the City and County of San Francisco shall have the exclusive authority to set rules for  
22 Yerba Buena Gardens pursuant to Article 3 of this Code, to issue permits for Yerba Buena  
23 Gardens pursuant to Article 7 of this Code, and to designate persons who shall perform all  
24 other functions for Yerba Buena Gardens which would be performed by the General Manager,  
25 Superintendent of Recreation, or and Superintendent of Parks for any other park under this  
Code.

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2           **SEC. 11.02. ~~CERTAIN ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES PROHIBITED.~~**

3           No person shall participate in any team athletic activity in the Yerba Buena Gardens,  
4 including but not limited to volleyball, baseball, soccer, football, or lacrosse, nor shall any  
5 person engage in the individual activities of roller skating, roller blading, bicycle riding, kite flying or  
6 skateboarding, except when acting pursuant to a permit issued by the Director of Property or  
7 the Director's Commission or its designee.

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9           **SEC. 11.03. ANIMALS ~~PROHIBITED.~~**

10          No person, other than members of the San Francisco Police Department when on  
11 duty, shall bring any animals, other than dogs which shall be leashed at all times, including but not  
12 limited to dogs, cats and horses, into the Yerba Buena Gardens except when acting pursuant to  
13 a permit issued by the Director of Property or the Director's Commission or its designee.  
14 ~~Notwithstanding the above provision, a person with a disability may enter the Yerba Buena Gardens~~  
15 ~~with a guide or signal dog without a permit.~~

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17          **SEC. 11.04. WHEELED EQUIPMENT ~~PROHIBITED.~~**

18          No person, other than ~~employees or agents of the Commission or its contractors~~members of  
19 the San Francisco Police Department when on duty, shall ~~operate~~bring any wheeled  
20 conveyances, including but not limited to trucks, cars, bicycles, electric scooters, and  
21 skateboards, ~~into~~ the Yerba Buena Gardens except when acting pursuant to a permit issued  
22 by the Director of Property or the Director's Commission or its designee. Notwithstanding the  
23 above provision, wheelchairs, strollers, and toys or conveyances appropriate for preschool  
24 children, such as wagons and tricycles, may be ~~operated~~brought into Yerba Buena Gardens

1 without a permit. Bicycles may be walked through the gardens or locked in designated  
2 locations without a permit.

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4 Section 2. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective 30 days after  
5 enactment. Enactment occurs when the Mayor signs the ordinance, the Mayor returns the  
6 ordinance unsigned or does not sign the ordinance within ten days of receiving it, or the Board  
7 of Supervisors overrides the Mayor's veto of the ordinance.

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9 Section 3. Scope of Ordinance. In enacting this ordinance, the Board of Supervisors  
10 intends to amend only those words, phrases, paragraphs, subsections, sections, articles,  
11 numbers, punctuation marks, charts, diagrams, or any other constituent parts of the Municipal  
12 Code that are explicitly shown in this ordinance as additions, deletions, Board amendment  
13 additions, and Board amendment deletions in accordance with the "Note" that appears under  
14 the official title of the ordinance.

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16 APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
17 DAVID CHIU, City Attorney

18 By: /s/  
19 MANU PRADHAN  
20 Deputy City Attorney  
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# City and County of San Francisco

## Tails Ordinance

City Hall  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

**File Number:** 240693

**Date Passed:** September 24, 2024

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September 09, 2024 Land Use and Transportation Committee - RECOMMENDED

September 17, 2024 Board of Supervisors - PASSED ON FIRST READING


Ayes: 11 - Chan, Dorsey, Engardio, Mandelman, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, Safai, Stefani and Walton


September 24, 2024 Board of Supervisors - FINALLY PASSED

Ayes: 11 - Chan, Dorsey, Engardio, Mandelman, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, Safai, Stefani and Walton

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was **FINALLY PASSED** on 9/24/2024 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

  
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Angela Calvillo  
Clerk of the Board

  
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London N. Breed  
Mayor

10/3/24  
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Date Approved