

**Memorandum
General Administration**

To: Mayor and City Council
Subject: No Smoking in Parks
Date: August 20th, 2015



Earlier this year, the Rock Island High School Key Club provided a presentation to City Council on the issue of smoking in public parks. In follow up to the presentation made to the City Council, staff surveyed other area agencies and reviewed similar policies prohibiting smoking in public parks and recreation areas.

Upon review, I recommend the City accept and place the signage being offered by the Rock Island County Health Department. As well as adopt a comparable policy congruent with the actions taken by other area agencies, exempting parking lots adjacent to all park and recreation areas, and municipal golf courses.

Recommendation:

City Council approve the posting of signage and prohibit smoking in any public park or recreation areas, and refer to the City Attorney to prepare the necessary ordinance(s).

Approved by: Thomas Thomas, City Manager