

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF JASPER, ALABAMA

TO PROHIBIT SMOKING WITHIN MUNICIPAL PARKS IN THE CITY OF JASPER

Whereas, the City Council of the City of Jasper, Alabama, operates numerous municipal park facilities within the City of Jasper; and

Whereas, one of, if not the primary, purpose of the provision of said municipal park facilities is the provision of recreation opportunities for children and young people within the City of Jasper and the surrounding areas; and

Whereas, the dangers to all persons, and specifically young persons, from "second-hand smoke", as well as other dangers to the general public arising from and related to the smoking of tobacco are well-known, and the exposure of such persons to smoke is inconsistent with the mission of the Parks and Recreation Department of the City of Jasper; and

Whereas, it is the intention of the City Council to provide a safe environment for its citizens, and specifically the children and young people of the City of Jasper, and to prohibit smoking of tobacco products at its municipal park facilities;

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, ALABAMA, as follows:

Section 1. The municipal park facilities of the City of Jasper are hereby specifically designated as "smoke-free" areas, and shall be posted conspicuously so as to communicate the same to participants and spectators attending events or generally participating in recreation at such facilities.

Section 2. No person shall smoke any tobacco product or other substance while present upon any municipal park facility operated by the City of Jasper, Alabama.

Section 3. Violations of this ordinance shall be punishable as a misdemeanor and in accordance with the general laws concerning the violations of ordinances within the City of Jasper, and shall be adjudicable in the City of Jasper Municipal Court.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall become effective upon its passage, approval and publication as required by the law of the State of Alabama.

Adopted on this the 17th day of July, 2007.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
JASPER, ALABAMA

By: *J. M. Rollins*
Hon. John M. Rollins, President

ATTEST:

Kathy Chambless
Hon. Kathy Chambless, City Clerk

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V. L. "Sonny" Posey
Hon. V.L. "Sonny" Posey, Mayor