

Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting Notes

February 3, 2010

Commission and Community Input	Response (none)
RULES / LAWS	
Bicyclists should be required to use a bell (4 speakers made this point).	
Leash law should not permit owner to be on bike (2 speakers made this point).	
Ensure consistent rules with other agencies.	
DOG ORDINANCE / RULES	
Continue to permit dogs and people to enjoy parks.	
Riding a bike with a dog leash doesn't permit the owner to control his/her pet – biking with a dog should not be permitted.	
Bike riding requires balance – leashed dogs make it difficult to ride safely.	
Limiting speed to 5mph permits a bicyclist to ride with a leashed and well-trained dog.	
Bike riding with a leashed dog is not safe. (3 speakers made this point)	
Bicyclists should concentrate on biking, not their dogs. Don't mix the two activities.	
AVOID NEW RULES / LAWS	
Don't over-regulate	
ENFORCEMENT	
6' leash law should be enforced.	
Speeding bikes are dangerous.	
Regulations won't work without enforcement.	
The sight of an occasional ranger will encourage that people follow rules.	
STRIPING / SIGNAGE	
Signage should reinforce that pedestrians have the right of way.	
Provide signage regarding trail etiquette.	
Signage to reinforce that person / groups shall never use more than ½ of the trail.	
New signage should be graphics-based.	
EDUCATION / BEHAVIOR	
Educate bicyclists to use a bell and say "on your left" when approaching/passing other trail users.	
Educate regarding who has the right of way.	

Not sure how to teach people, and would prefer to not see more signs.	
Provide education regarding trail etiquette.	
Define the right of way.	
Require that everyone follow the same behavior when approaching other users (ring bell, call “to your left”, etc.)	
Encourage courtesy.	
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There is a lack of courtesy.	
OTHER	
Headphones prevent users from hearing approaching bicyclists (2 speakers made this comment).	
Some users may not have common sense.	
Review what other neighboring agencies are doing – rules, bell-requirements, etc. Seek consistency.	