



## Legislation Text

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Resolution to Amend R-07-516 to Establish Preserve Areas with the City Park System

Whereas, City Council approved resolution R-07-516 to establish Preserve Areas with the City Park System;

Whereas, R-07-516 resolves that City will not build on, develop, or grade parkland designated as Preserve for any purpose, including athletic fields or facilities, or off-trail uses. Trail maintenance, trail development, and recreational and educational activities that the Natural Area Preservation program finds do not negatively affect the ecological resources of the Preserve are allowed. Maintenance to existing underground infrastructure is permitted in Preserves, provided that the disturbed area is restored to its original state;

Whereas, At times, there are identified capital improvement needs and projects that are generally acceptable to improve the ecological diversity, environmental conditions, water quality and other community benefits;

Whereas, The City is in the process of designing the "Sister Lakes Stormwater Retrofit" that will include water quality improvements, conveyance modifications, and ecological habitat improvements; and

Whereas, On October 20, 2016, Parks Advisory Commission passed resolution 16-1339 which "recommends that the City secure funding for feasibility and design efforts to retrofit the Lakewood Road outfall that discharges into First Sister Lake to enhance water quality through increased sediment trapping and nutrient uptake";

RESOLVED, That City Council amend R-07-516 to include the following:

Any construction, development, grading or other improvement to areas designated as Preserves will be allowed, as long as the proposed improvement will improve the ecological diversity, environmental condition, or water quality as determined by Parks Advisory Commission;

RESOLVED, City Council find that the Sisters Lakes Stormwater Retrofit will improve water quality and environmental conditions and complies with the Preserve Areas policy as amended.

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Warpehoski and Frenzel