



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, May 07, 2002

Council Session

Item I2

#2002-131 - Approving No Smoking Policy

At the April 2, 2002 City Council Study Session, representative from the Tobacco Free Hall County organization made a presentation requesting City Council establish a policy banning smoking in city facility or vehicles. As a result of that a policy has been prepared for the Council's consideration. A MOTION is in order.

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City of Grand Island

No Smoking Policy

Purpose:

To provide, to the extent possible, a smoke-free environment for our employees, customers and visitors. Its success depends upon the consideration and cooperation of both smokers and non-smokers. All employees, customers and visitors are expected to respect the provisions of this policy.

Policy:

Smoking is prohibited by all persons in any city facility or vehicle. This policy does not prohibit smoking in designated outdoor areas.

A. Definitions:

1. **City Facility** shall mean
 - a) Any indoor office, work area, or location used by the general public or serving as a place of work for City employees that is owned, leased, or rented and under the day-to-day control of the City of Grand Island.
 - b) Island Oasis Water Park (except for areas outside the perimeter fencing).
 - c) Lincoln Pool (except for areas outside the perimeter fencing).
 - d) Wading pools (except for areas outside the perimeter fencing).
 - e) Skate Park (except for areas outside the perimeter fencing).
 - f) Athletic fields, bleachers and/or grandstands.
2. **Smoking** shall mean carrying a lighted cigar, cigarette, pipe, or any other lighted smoking equipment or substance.
3. **Vehicle** shall mean any self-propelled conveyance designed for use upon City streets that is owned, leased, or rented by the City of Grand Island.

B. Enforcement:

Department heads shall ensure that the supervisor in charge of such a City facility or vehicle shall make reasonable efforts to prevent smoking in the City facility or vehicle by:

1. Posting appropriate signs.
2. Asking smokers to refrain from smoking in a smoke-free area, citing the Nebraska Clean Indoor Air Act and this City policy.
3. Informing the violators that they are guilty of a Class V misdemeanor under the laws of the State of Nebraska.
4. Taking any other appropriate means, including disciplinary action for City employees pursuant to appropriate union contract or Human Resources Policy Manual.

C. Complaints:

Persons observing a violation of this policy should bring it to the attention of their supervisor.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2002.

Marlan Ferguson, City Administrator
City of Grand Island

R E S O L U T I O N 2002-131

WHEREAS, on April 2, 2002, at the City Council Study Session, a representative from the Tobacco Free Hall County organization made a presentation requesting the City Council to establish a policy banning smoking in city facilities and/or city vehicles; and

WHEREAS, as a result of such presentation, a no smoking policy was drafted; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the proposed *No Smoking Policy* is attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the *No Smoking Policy* attached hereto as Exhibit "A" is hereby approved and adopted effective immediately.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska on May 7, 2002.

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form ? _____ May 3, 2002 ? City Attorney
