

**ORDINANCE NO. 05-03**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIDGECREST AMENDING THE RIDGECREST MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO HOURS OF PARK OPERATION AND USE**

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIDGECREST, CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

**1. PURPOSE:**

This ordinance amends the Municipal Code regarding City Neighborhood Parks and City Regional Parks.

**2. FINDINGS:**

Currently City Neighborhood parks open at 5:30am and close at 10:30pm. Regional Parks open at 5:30am and close at 11:00pm. To achieve consistency with local curfew laws and reduce park use noise in neighborhood parks the new hours of City neighborhood parks shall be open for public use between the hours of 5:00am and 10:00pm. To allow additional use at City regional parks the new hours will be from 5:00am and 12:00am. These new hours should not impact public safety or City services.

**3. AMENDMENT:**

Section 4-18.101 of the Ridgcrest Municipal Code is amended to read:

**"Section 4-18.101. Hours of Operation & Use.**

- (a) City neighborhood parks shall be open for public use between the hours of 5:00am and 10:00pm.
- (b) City regional parks shall be open for public use between the hours of 5:00am and 12:00am.

**4. EFFECTIVE DATE:**

This ordinance shall take effect 30 days from the date of adoption.

**5. OTHER:**

The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this ordinance and shall cause this ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

AYES: Mayor Holloway, Council Members Martin and Morgan

NOES: None

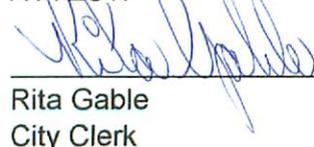
ABSENT: Council Members Clark and Carter

ABSTAIN: None



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Marshall "Chip". Holloway, Mayor

ATTEST:



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Rita Gable  
City Clerk