

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-21

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TARPON SPRINGS, FLORIDA CHANGING THE USE OF A PORTION OF AN EXISTING PARK FACILITY LOCATED AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF N. SAFFORD AVENUE AND LIVE OAK STREET (802 N. SAFFORD AVE) FROM GREENSPACE TO PICKLE BALL COURTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 8 OF CHARTER OF THE CITY OF TARPON SPRINGS; AND PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE.

WHEREAS, In accordance with Article II, Section 8 of the City Charter, the Board of Commissioners is vested with the responsibility to preserve and maintain all City-owned park, recreation, and waterfront property; and

WHEREAS, The City wishes to re-designate approximately 10,500 square foot of greenspace area in an existing park facility (Exercise Park) located at the southeast corner of North Safford Avenue and Live Oak Street (802 N. Safford Ave) to accommodate 4 pickle ball courts; and

WHEREAS, Section 8, Paragraph I of the City Charter requires an affirmative vote of 4 members of the Board of Commissioners, after three public meetings; and

WHEREAS, It has been demonstrated that the site is a desirable location due to minimal site work requirements, access to existing adequate parking, direct access to the Pinellas Trail, minimal impact upon residential areas, and proximity to the Downtown and Sponge Docks; and

WHEREAS, Public meetings were held during three regularly scheduled meetings of the Board of Commissioners on September 19, 2023, October 3, 2023, and October 17, 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF TARPON SPRINGS, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. That the above findings are true and correct and are incorporated as set forth herein.

SECTION 2. The area identified in Attachment A to this ordinance is hereby approved for the use of pickle ball courts and associated accessory uses (bike racks, fencing, etc.).

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall become effective upon final passage and adoption, in the manner provided by law.

Exercise Park



Dorsett Park