

Parks and Recreation Department

# Council Policy 700-42 Update

Area Committee  
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# Council Policy 700-42 Purpose

The role of Community Recreation Groups (CRGs) is to make recommendations to City Council, the Parks and Recreation Department and its various boards regarding recreation programs in the community, park capital improvement projects and to provide recommendations on the expenditure of recreation center funds.

Council Policy 700-42 provides a process to formally recognize CRGs and establishes requirements that each CRG must follow to be recognized.

Updating the policy provides a framework for CRGs to replace recreation councils previously governed by this Council Policy.

# History of Community Recreation Groups

1950

- Formally known as Recreation Councils
- Groups of volunteers formed to advise and assist the city in the promotion, planning, publicizing, coordinating, and providing of community and recreational programs

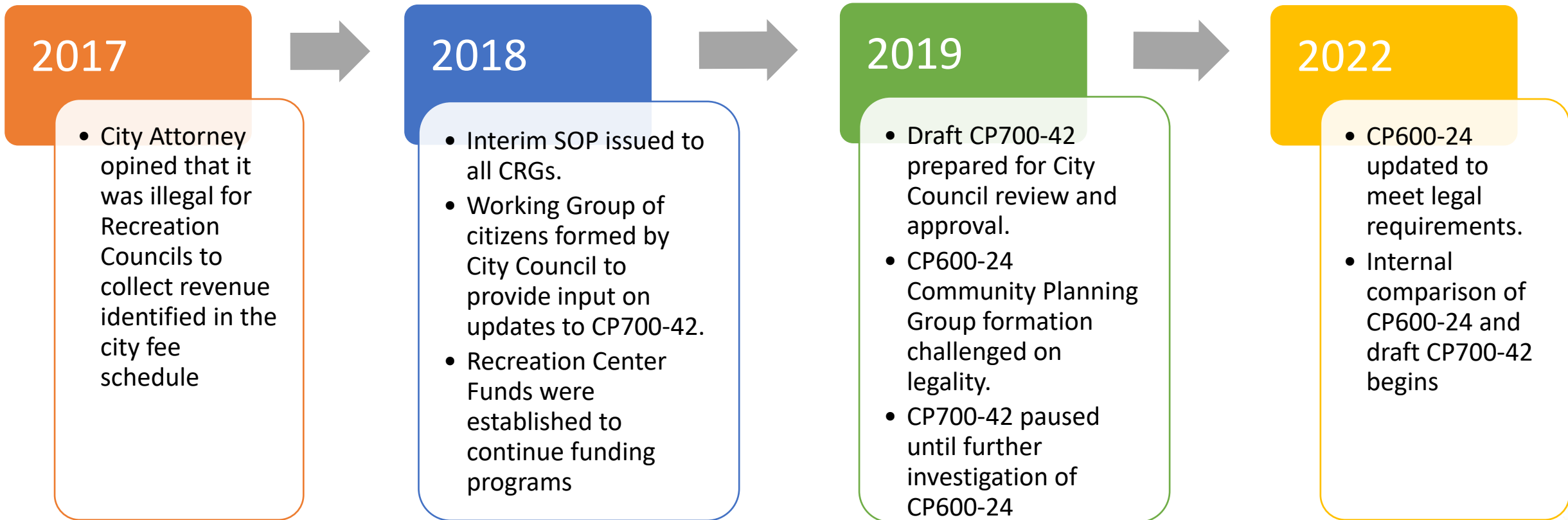
1978

- Recreation Councils became a financial partner with the City and started accepting revenues into private bank accounts and gaining control over City funds.
- Recreation Councils began paying expenses for local recreation programs

2005

- Council Policy 700-42 was established
- Recreation Councils required by the city to obtain non-profit status to continue collecting revenue at recreation centers

# History of Community Recreation Groups



# CP700-42 Proposed Timeline

Jan '25

- Presentation to Area Committee, Parks & Recreation Board and Community & Neighborhood Services Committee

Feb '25

- Working Group reinstated

Apr '25

- Proposed CP700-42 revision presented to AC, PRB, CNS

Jun '25

- Final draft CP700-42 presented to City Council

# Relevant Documents

1. Council Policy 700-42 Community Recreation Groups Updates 2025 (power point)
2. History of Community Recreation Groups
3. Council Policy 700-42 Recreation Councils (2005)
4. Memo from Director, Herman Parker 1.23.18 – Summary of CP700-42 Edits
  - a. Overview of Policy Draft Changes
  - b. Council Policy 700-42 Draft (2019)
  - c. Administrative Guidelines Draft
  - d. Draft Department Instruction – Co-sponsorship of Community Parks Events
  - e. Draft Department Instructions – Administrative Guidelines for Recreation Advisor Groups
5. Final Interim Standard Operating Procedures Effective 1.1.2018
6. CP700-42 Proposed Policy Development Timeline

# Recommended Action

- 1. Reinstate the Council Policy 700-42 Working Group to update the policy in alignment with CP600-24.*
- 2. Identify any additional candidates who want to serve on the working group.*



# Questions?

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