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and Senior Services

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Title: Ordinance amending and supplementing the Pittsburgh City Code, Title 4: Public Places and Property, Article XI: Parks and Playgrounds by amending Chapter 473.01.a.3 and 473.01.b.1 to update Pittsburgh's Park Property Use Regulations.

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1	City Council	06/02/2026	Read and referred	Committee on Recreation, Youth, and Senior Services			
	Action Text: Read and referred to the Committee on Recreation, Youth, and Senior Services						
1	Standing Committees	06/10/2026	Held in Committee	Committee on Recreation, Youth, and Senior Services	06/17/2026		Pass

Action Text: A motion was made that this matter be Held in the Committee on Recreation, Youth, and Senior Services, due back by 6/17/2026. The motion carried.

1	Standing Committees	06/17/2026	Affirmatively Recommended	Pass
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Action Text: A motion was made that this matter be Affirmatively Recommended. The motion carried.

1	City Council	06/23/2026	Passed Finally	Pass
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Action Text: A motion was made that this matter be Passed Finally. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 Charland, Coghill, Gross, Lavelle, Mosley, Strassburger, Warwick, and Wilson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 Salinetro

1	City Council	06/23/2026		
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1	Mayor	06/24/2026	Signed by the Mayor	
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Action Text: Signed by the Mayor

Text of Legislative File 2026-0567

Ordinance amending and supplementing the Pittsburgh City Code, Title 4: Public Places and Property, Article XI: Parks and Playgrounds by amending Chapter 473.01.a.3 and 473.01.b.1 to update Pittsburgh's Park Property Use Regulations.

The Council of the City of Pittsburgh hereby enacts as follows:

§ 473.01. Park Property. <§ 473.01.%20Park%20Property.>

[Ord. No. 15-2023, § 1, eff. 9-6-2023]

(a) Buildings and Other Property.

(1) Disfiguration and Removal. No person in a park shall willfully mark, deface, disfigure, injure, tamper with, or displace or remove, any building, bridges, tables, benches, fireplaces, railings, paving or paving material, water lines or other public utilities or parts or appurtenances thereof, signs, notices or placards whether temporary or permanent, monuments, stakes, posts or other boundary markers, or other structures or equipment, facilities or park property or appurtenances whatever, whether real or personal.

(2) Restrooms and Wash Rooms. No person in a park shall fail to cooperate in maintaining restrooms and washrooms in a neat and sanitary condition.

(3) Removal of Natural Resources. No person in a park shall dig or remove any soil, rock, stones, trees, shrubs or plants, down timber or other wood or materials, or make any excavation by tool, equipment, blasting or other means or agency **with the exception of permitted City-approved orchards or urban agricultural spaces established for the purpose of harvesting. The removal of natural resources, such as foraging and seed collection, are not permitted without an urban agriculture lease or the written approval of the Department of Public Works and/or the City Forester.**

(4) Erection of Structures. No person in a park shall construct or erect any building or structure of any kind, whether permanent or temporary in character, or run or string any public service utility into, upon or across lands, except on special written permit issued by the Director of Parks and Recreation.

(b) Trees, Shrubberty and Lawns.

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