



ROCHESTER PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

POLICY ON TEMPORARY STORAGE UNITS LOCATED IN CITY PARKS

PURPOSE

To establish a policy and procedures to administer requests for Temporary Storage Units (TSU) on park land and/or public lands under the stewardship of the Rochester Park Department.

HISTORY

The current practice for the allowance of TSU on City property under the stewardship of the Park Department has been inconsistent. In the major parks (high traffic/high demand) there is not been an allowance for any such use. However, on parks which have limited use there has been an occasional allowance for sports organizations at a specific sports venue. Because there have been two recent requests for the use of TSU on parkland this year. This has prompted the need for a firm policy for the use of TSU.

POLICY

It is the policy of the Board of Park Commissioners to not allow the private (non- governmental) use of temporary storage units or structures (TSU) at any park property or City property under the stewardship of the Park Department for a term exceeding one day unless specific authorization has been obtained by the Park Board in conjunction with an event or activity. TSU may be allowed by the Director of Park and Recreation, or his designee, for a term of one day or less if the use coincides with a specific event at a park. The process for allowing the TSU will be by a Park Disturbance Permit or combined with another park permit (ie shelter reservation)

Any private TSU that may be permitted by staff or board shall comply with the following standards:

- Shall meet the Land Development Manual criteria for temporary structures (setback, color, maximum duration, etc)
- Structure shall be in good repair and condition, determined at the discretion of the Director of Park and Recreation
- Be placed in a location consistent with the direction of the Director of Park and Recreation
- Not impact the normal operations of the Park
- Access to the TSU shall meet ADA accessibility requirements.
- For TSU that will be in place greater than 45 days the user shall have landscaping installed surrounding the TSU based on a 1 shrub per 5 feet of perimeter building length and landscape rock or mulch extending a minimum of 2 feet beyond the entire perimeter of the building.
- User shall provide necessary maintenance of the TSU and any associated landscaping during the entire permit period.

Note: The permit granted for this TSU use is revocable at the discretion of the Director of Park and Recreation.