ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 58-23-38 of the

Executive Director of the Public Works Department

TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF MOON MOUNTAIN PARK

The Executive Director of the Public Works Department finds that:

- **A.** Pursuant to the authority of Administrative Order No. 21-03-12 issued by the City Manager, the Executive Director of the Public Works Department is authorized to regulate City parks and to protect park visitors and the park environment, and adopt rules regarding the use of parks.
- **B.** Section 1.003 of the Parks and Open Space Rules authorizes the temporary closure of all or any portion of a park, open space, or facility "upon finding that conditions that threaten the welfare or safety of nearby residents exist, and the need to preserve their welfare and safety outweighs the public's right of access to the park."
- **C.** Moon Mountain is a 40.3-acre natural area park in southeast Eugene that is owned and managed by the City of Eugene.
- **D.** A portion of Moon Mountain Park was the site of a wildland fire that began on July 3, 2023. Although the fire mainly effected low lying vegetation, some trees were impacted and may now be hazardous.
- **E.** Until the City has completed an evaluation of trees in the vicinity of public trails and has mitigated any hazards that could pose a safety risk to park users, the public interest in accessing Moon Mountain Park, identified in Exhibit A, is outweighed by the need to protect park users and nearby residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, based on the above findings, which are hereby adopted:

The Executive Director of the Public Works Department orders and directs that:

- 1. The entirety of Moon Mountain Park, as shown in Exhibit A attached to this Administrative Order, is hereby closed to entry by all persons other than law enforcement personnel, authorized City employees and contractors, and persons with written authorization from the Public Works Director or the Parks Division Manager. This closure is effective immediately upon my signature, below and shall remain in effect until 7:00 a.m. on August 1, 2023, or until City staff remove the signage referenced in Section 2 or, whichever occurs first.
- 2. In addition to any other measures that may be implemented to restrict entry into the closed portion of Moon Mountain Park, the City shall post clearly visible signs at the Park's entry points to advise the public that, pursuant to Administrative Order of the Public Works Executive Director, Moon Mountain Park is closed and unauthorized entry into the Park is prohibited.

Dated and effective this 11 day of July, 2023.

Matt Rodrigues (Jul 11, 2023 17:03 PDT)

Matthew Rodrigues

Matthew Rodrigues
Executive Director Public Works Department

Exhibit A: Temporary Park Closure Boundary

