

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 58-23-40
of the
Executive Director of the Public Works
Department

**EXTENDING TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF A PORTION OF
WASHINGTON-JEFFERSON 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.

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. By Administrative Order No. 58-23-26, signed on June 7, 2023, I reopened most areas of Washington-Jefferson Park that had been temporarily closed, and kept closed only that portion of Washington-Jefferson Park that is identified on Exhibit A to this Order, because that portion of the Park (referred to as WJ section 3 closure area") was under renovation and construction for a future dog park. That closure remains in effect until 7:00 A.M. on December 1, 2023.

D. The renovation and construction on the WJ section 3 area, including but not limited to: installation of permanent fencing and gate(s), excavation, and irrigation realignment, will not be completed by December 1, 2023. To protect and preserve the welfare and safety of residents living nearby, this portion of the Park should temporarily remain closed to reduce the public's exposure to the construction work and construction debris which increases fall and trip hazards. The need for public safety outweighs the public's right of access to this portion of Washington-Jefferson Park.

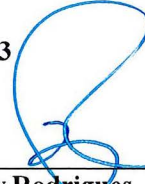
NOW, THEREFORE, based on the above findings, which are hereby adopted:

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

1. The temporary closure of the portion of Washington-Jefferson Park outlined and hashed in red on Exhibit A attached to this Administrative Order shall continue to be 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, with said extension effective at 7:00 A.M. on December 1, 2023, and remaining in effect until 7:00 A.M. on May 29, 2024.

2. In addition to any other measures that may be implemented to restrict entry into the closed portion of Washington-Jefferson Park, the City shall maintain temporary fencing and shall keep posted clearly visible signs at the Park's entry points and on the fencing to advise the public that, pursuant to Administrative Order of the Public Works Executive Director, the subject portion of Washington-Jefferson Park is closed and unauthorized entry into the closed area of the Park is prohibited.

Dated and effective this 27th day of November, 2023



Matthew Rodrigues
Executive Director Public Works Department

Exhibit A: WJ section 3 closure area



Legend

-  Closure Area
-  Streets
-  Taxlots



Caution:
This map is based on imprecise source data, subject to change, and for general reference only.

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