

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 58-24-08**  
**of the**  
**Executive Director of the Public Works Department**

**EXTENDING THE TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF A PORTION OF SCOBERT  
PARK ENABLED BY ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 58-22-18.**

**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, 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, open space and/or facility.

**C.** On April 16, 2010, Administrative Order No. 58-10-04 was issued closing a portion of Scobert Park, located at 1180 West 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, effective 12:01 a.m. on April 23, 2010, until April 22, 2012. The closure has subsequently been extended, most recently by Administrative Order No. 58-22-18, which extended the temporary closure until April 22, 2024.

**D.** The above-mentioned portion of Scobert Park became a haven for illegal activities creating an atmosphere that threatened the welfare and safety of the residents in the area. Prior to its closure, efforts to curtail the illegal activities, including the fencing of the area, were unsuccessful. Therefore, it was necessary to close the portion of Scobert Park, and it is necessary that it remain closed until the Park is redesigned and redeveloped.

**E.** The need to protect and preserve the welfare and safety of residents living nearby Scobert Park outweigh the public's right of access to the fenced portion of Scobert Park.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** based on the above findings, I order that:

**1.** The closure of the portion of Scobert Park, located at 1180 West 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, delineated by a black wrought iron fence erected by the City, is extended and shall be closed to entry by all persons other than police officers, authorized City employees and persons with written authorization from the Public Works Director or the Parks Maintenance Manager until April 22, 2026.

**2.** In addition to any other measures that may be implemented to ensure that entry to the closed portion of Scobert Park is restricted, the City shall maintain fences or other barriers

around the closed area and shall post clearly visible signs advising the public that, pursuant to Administrative Order of the Public Works Executive Director, the fenced area is closed and unauthorized entry into the fenced area is prohibited.

**Dated this 18th day of April, 2024.**



[Matt Rodrigues \(Apr 18, 2024 13:42 PDT\)](#)

**Matthew Rodrigues**  
**Public Works Executive Director**