

**ORDINANCE NO. 5371**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DENISON, TEXAS, CHANGING THE NAME OF MINI PARK TO OLD TOWN PARK; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO MAKE NECESSARY CHANGES TO REFLECT THE NAME CHANGE; PROVIDING FOR A SAVINGS, REPEALING AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A FINDING AND DETERMINING THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS ORDINANCE IS ADOPTED TO BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND PUBLICATION.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Denison, Texas ("City") is a home-rule municipality pursuant to Section 5, Article XI of the Texas Constitution and exercises powers granted by the Texas Constitution and the City's Charter; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Charter of the City, state law, and the City's inherent police powers, the City Council of the City (the "City Council") is empowered to adopt ordinances and rules that are for the good government of the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council appointed a Parks and Recreation Commission to advise the City Council on matters pertaining to parks within the City; and

**WHEREAS**, at their December 5, 2024, meeting, the Parks and Recreation Commission recommended changing the name of Mini Park to Old Town Park; and

**WHEREAS**, having reviewed the proposed name change, the City Council finds and determines that renaming the park to Old Town Park is a way to honor the neighborhood's history and it is in the best interest of the residents and the City.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DENISON THAT:**

**SECTION 1. INCORPORATION OF PREMISES.** The above and foregoing premises are true and correct and are incorporated herein and made a part hereof for all purposes.

**SECTION 2. NAME CHANGE.** That park known as Mini Park shall be and is hereby renamed Old Town Park, superseding all prior names. The City Manager and/or their designee is hereby authorized and directed to make all the necessary changes to all records of the City to reflect this change.

**SECTION 3. SAVINGS/REPEALING CLAUSE.** All provisions of any ordinance in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent they are in conflict; but such repeal shall not abate any pending prosecution for violation of the repealed ordinance, nor shall the repeal prevent a prosecution from being commenced for any violation if occurring prior to the repeal of the Ordinance. Any remaining portions of said ordinances shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY.** Should any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase of this Ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, it is expressly provided that any and all remaining portions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect. Denison hereby declares that it would have passed this Ordinance, and each section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses and phrases be declared unconstitutional or invalid.

**SECTION 5. OPEN MEETINGS.** That it is hereby found and determined that the meeting at which this Ordinance was passed was open to the public as required by law, and that a public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given, all as required by Article 551.041, Texas Government Code.

**SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE AND PUBLICATION.** This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

**AND IT IS SO ORDERED**

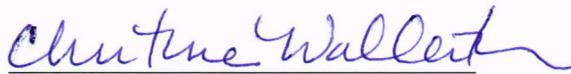
On motion by Council Member Redwine, seconded by Council Member Thomas, the above and foregoing ordinance was passed and approved on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of January 2025 by the following vote:

Ayes: Adams, Courtright, Thorne, Crawley, Massey, Redwine and Thomas  
Abstentions:  
Nays:

At regular meeting January 6, 2025.

  
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Robert Crawley, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Christine Wallentine, City Clerk

