

**AGENDA**



**Recommendation for Council Action**

Austin City Council	<b>Item ID</b>	31962	<b>Agenda Number</b>	29.
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<b>Meeting Date:</b>	5/1/2014	<b>Department:</b>	Parks and Recreation
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Subject

Approve an ordinance amending City Code Chapters 8-3 and 10-6 relating to alcohol consumption and smoking on a pedestrian bridge.

Amount and Source of Funding

Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

<b>Purchasing Language:</b>	
<b>Prior Council Action:</b>	
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<b>Boards and Commission Action:</b>	
<b>MBE / WBE:</b>	
<b>Related Items:</b>	

Additional Backup Information

This code amendment would prohibit a person from knowingly selling, possessing, or consuming an alcoholic beverage in City parks or on a pedestrian bridge, and would prohibit a person from smoking in public places, City parks and/or on a pedestrian bridge.

This code amendment would also add a definition of "Pedestrian Bridge." Pedestrian Bridge will be defined as a bridge designed for pedestrians and/or cyclists to cross an obstacle such as a waterway.

The Parks and Recreation Department has received support for this amendment by the Austin Police Department and the Public Works Department.

By prohibiting alcohol consumption and smoking on pedestrian bridges, the City is protecting the health, safety, and welfare of the community.