

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF EAST GREENWICH TOWN COUNCIL

PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT PARKS AND RECREATION FEBRUARY 12, 2018 7:00 P.M.

SWIFT COMMUNITY CENTER, 121 PEIRCE STREET

The Town Council will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, February 12, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. at Swift Community Center, 121 Peirce Street, East Greenwich, RI relative to a proposed ordinance in amendment to Chapter 166 Parks and Recreation (as amended) adding Article IV "Tobacco Free Facilities" to prohibit tobacco use in or on all recreational areas.

Article IV Tobacco Free Facilities

Section 166-37: Definitions

1.1 **Electronic delivery device** means any product containing or delivering nicotine, lobelia, or any other substance intended for human consumption that can be used by a person to simulate smoking in the delivery of nicotine or any other substance through inhalation of aerosol or vapor from the product. The term includes, but is not limited to, devices manufactured, distributed, marketed or sold as e-cigarettes, e-cigars, e-pipes, vape pens, or e-hookah.

1.2 **Recreational areas** mean all facilities, parks, trails, open spaces, and other property owned, leased, rented, contracted, used or controlled by the Town of East Greenwich for parks and recreational purposes. The term includes, but is not limited to, restrooms, spectator and concession areas, playgrounds, athletic fields, courts, rinks, benches, fitness areas, and parking lots.

1.3 **Smoke or smoking** means inhaling or exhaling smoke from any lighted or heated cigar, cigarette, pipe, or any other tobacco or plant product, or inhaling or exhaling aerosol or vapor from any electronic delivery device. Smoking includes being in possession of a lighted or heated cigar delivery device that is turned on or otherwise activated.

1.4 **Tobacco or tobacco product** means any product containing, made, or delivered from tobacco that is intended for human consumption, whether chewed, smoked, absorbed, dissolved, inhaled, sorted, snuffed, or ingested by any other means, or any component, part or accessory of a tobacco product including but not limited to cigarettes, cigars and other smoking tobacco; snuff and other chewing tobacco; electronic delivery devices; and any other kinds and forms of tobacco. The term excludes any product that has been approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration for sale as a tobacco cessation product, as a tobacco dependence product, or for other medical purposes, and is being marketed and sold solely for such an approved purpose.

1.5 **Tobacco use** means the act of smoking, the use of smokeless tobacco, or the use of any other tobacco product in any form.

Section 166-38: Policy

2.1 Tobacco use is prohibited at all times in or on all recreational areas.

2.2 It is not a violation of this policy to use tobacco in or on recreational areas as part of a Native American spiritual or cultural ceremony. Approval from the Town Manager or his/her designee must be requested and received prior to the ceremony.

Section 166-39: Enforcement

3.1 Signage will be posted at strategic locations to inform the community and recreational area users about the policy.

3.2 Town of East Greenwich staff and volunteers, including all local youth group organizations and field permit holders will be notified about this policy.

3.3 Any individual found violating this policy will be reminded and asked to comply before being subject to ejection from the recreational area. Any person violating Chapter 166, Article IV, Section 166-38 of the Code of Ordinances shall be deemed to be creating a public nuisance and violators will be subject to a fine as stated in Chapter 1, Article III of the Code of the Town of East Greenwich and/or prosecuted in accordance with State statutes where applicable.

All interested persons are invited to attend the Public Hearing and be heard. Modifications to the proposed amendment may occur as a result of comments received during the hearing process.

Individuals requesting services for the hearing impaired must notify the Town Clerk at 401-886-8604 via RI Relay #711 (800-745-5555 TTY) or in writing, at least seventy-two (72) hours in advance of the hearing date.

By Order of the Town Council

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year on probation, as well as a one-year loss of license. He must also pay a \$400 fine plus court costs. Charges of refusal to submit to a chemical test, driving on a suspended license, second offense, and domestic disorderly conduct, were subsequently dismissed.

Fraudulent checks

Richard Buzon, 35, of 316 High St., Westerly, pleaded no contest to writing fraudulent checks, under \$1,000. HE must serve one year of probation and pay an unspecified amount of restitution.

Suspended license

Dana Hall, 25, of 6200 Post Road, Apt. 26, North Kingstown, pleaded no contest to driving on a suspended license, third offense. He must pay a \$500 fine plus court costs.

Justiniano Hernandez, 26, of 18 Thurber St., Pawtucket, pleaded no contest to driving on a suspended license, first offense. He must pay a \$250 fine plus court costs.

Luis Rios, 27, of 10 State St., Apt. J, North Kingstown, originally pleaded not guilty to driving on a suspended license, second offense. The charge was dismissed after Rios proved to the court that his license has been reinstated.

Chad Sampson, 46, of 19 Navy Drive, Apt. 101, North Kingstown, pleaded no contest to driving on a suspended license, second offense, amended from a third offense. He must pay a \$350 fine.

Kiallah Lindo, 23, of 52 Scenic Way, Exeter, originally pleaded not guilty to driving on a suspended license, first offense. HE was released on \$1,000 personal recognizance and is scheduled to appear for a pretrial hearing on Feb. 20.

Gregory Madoian, 60, of 27 Linden Court, North Kingstown, had an arraignment hearing on a charge of driving on a suspended license, first offense, rescheduled to March 6.

Timothy Clark, 47, of 9 Cherry Lane, Bethel, Conn., pleaded not guilty to driving on a suspended license, first

and is scheduled to appear for a pretrial hearing on March 13.

Assault

Derek Hopkins, 33, of 5 New Lexington Road, North Kingstown, pleaded not guilty to domestic simple assault, disorderly conduct, and vandalism. He was released on \$1,000 personal recognizance and is scheduled to appear for a pretrial hearing on Feb. 27.

Archie Shakespeare, 32, of 7650 Post Road, Apt. 110, North Kingstown, originally pleaded not guilty to domestic simple assault and disorderly conduct. The charges were dismissed after the victim did not wish to pursue the case.

Blair Deroun, 34, of 11 Lenox Court, North Kingstown, pleaded not guilty to domestic simple assault, disorderly conduct, resisting arrest and violating a no order. She was originally released on \$10,000 personal recognizance, but bail was changed to \$1,000 with surety. Deroun is scheduled to appear for a pretrial hearing on Feb. 13. A no contact order has also been issued against her.

Julio Neri-Navarro, 42, of 162 Yortown Road, Apt. 101, North Kingstown, originally pleaded not guilty to domestic simple assault and disorderly conduct. He was released on \$2,000 personal recognizance and is scheduled to appear for a pretrial hearing on Feb. 13. A no contact order has also been issued against Neri-Navarro.

Craig McCarthy, 42, of 80 Sweetmeadow Drive, North Kingstown, originally pleaded not guilty to domestic simple assault and disorderly conduct. He was released on \$2,000 personal recognizance and is scheduled to appear for a pretrial hearing on Feb. 20. A no contact order has also been issued against him.

Trespassing

Jennifer Renick, 45, of 22 Sycamore Drive, East Greenwich, originally pleaded not guilty to a charge of willful trespassing. She was released on \$1,000 personal recognizance and was scheduled to appear for a pretrial hearing on Feb. 6.

Devin Phanef, 22, of 25 Merril Lane, Apt. 301, North Kingstown, originally pleaded not guilty to disorderly conduct. He was released on \$1,000 personal recognizance and is scheduled to appear for a pretrial hearing on Feb. 20.

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seeking to reduce social isolation in schools."

"We know that our students, and students across the state and country, are experiencing high levels of stress, anxiety and depression. These mental health issues are sometimes rooted in or fueled by feelings of social isolation. So, a campaign like Start With Hello can be a powerful tool to help any student who is struggling to feel more connected and supported," she said.

She also said the initiative stems, in part, from the fact that "school violence can come from

Russell Absi, 52, of 57 Togue Ave., Apt. 2, Coventry originally pleaded not guilty to charges of duty to stop-accident resulting, and driving on a suspended license, second offense. He was released on \$1,000 personal recognizance and is scheduled to appear for a pretrial hearing on Feb. 13.

Shoplifting

Jacqueline Champagne, 40, of 171 Conanicus Ave., Jamestown, originally pleaded not guilty to misdemeanor shoplifting. She was released on \$1,000 personal recognizance and is scheduled to appear for a pretrial hearing on Feb. 13.

No contact order

Mohammad Ramos, 28 of 19 Kossuth St., Apt. 2F Pawtucket, pleaded not guilty to violating a no contact order. He was released on \$5,000 with surety and is scheduled to appear for a pretrial hearing on Feb. 13.

False info

William Denton, 48, of 16 Krzak Road, Apt. D, North Kingstown, originally pleaded not guilty to providing false information to 9/11. He was released on \$1,000 personal recognizance and is scheduled to appear for a pretrial hearing on Feb. 13.

No license

Reinaldo Gonzalez, 36, of 21 Boston St., Coventry, pleaded not guilty to driving without a license, first offense. Although no bail information was provided, he is scheduled to appear for a pretrial hearing on March 13.

Disorderly conduct

Ryan Hagenburg, 25, of 123 West Allenton Road, North Kingstown, originally pleaded not guilty to disorderly conduct. He was released on \$1,000 personal recognizance and is scheduled to appear for a pretrial hearing on Feb. 20.

within."

"In addition, as many people know, our schools and schools around the country have been working to increase security and minimize the risk of outside intruders. But, as recent reports on school shootings have shown, school violence can come from within," she said. "This is one of many reasons why we need to focus on addressing the physical, mental, social, and emotional health of every member of our school community."

Start With Hello Week is taking place through tomorrow in all East Greenwich public schools.

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