



## Staff Memo

**Meeting Date:** Feb 26, 2026

**Memo Date:** February 19, 2026

**To:** Parks, Recreation & Forestry Committee

**From:** Sean Brusegar, CPRP, CPO – Director of Parks, Recreation & Forestry

**Subject:** Suspending Alcohol consumption ordinance in Bakken Park for Dinks & Drinks events.

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### Background

Pickleball continues to be the fastest growing sport in the world. Not only is pickleball a competitive sport, but it also has a very large social component. Several other communities offer this type of event either weekly or monthly. We would again like to offer this event in Cottage Grove. “Dinks & Drinks” would like to hold events on the following dates: June 19<sup>th</sup>, July 17<sup>th</sup> (Food Pantry Donation Night), August 14<sup>th</sup> (Stuff the Bus Night) & September 18<sup>th</sup>. If approved, the events will be held at Bakken Park from 5pm until 10pm. Alcohol would be allowed in the courts area only at Bakken Park.

### Recommendation

Staff recommends suspending Ordinance 109-28 to allow for alcohol to be consumed in Bakken Park for Dinks & Drinks on June 19<sup>th</sup>, July 17<sup>th</sup>, August 14<sup>th</sup> & September 18<sup>th</sup> from 5pm to 10pm.