HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL

KE KANIHELA O KE KALANA O HONOLULU

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

ORDINANCE _____

BILL 70 (2025)

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE

RELATING TO PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS.

BE IT ORDAINED by the People of the City and County of Honolulu:

SECTION 1. Purpose. The purpose of this ordinance is to allow dog parks to be credited toward satisfying the requirements for the provision or dedication of land for park and playground purposes.

SECTION 2. Section 22-7.8, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 2021, is amended to read as follows:

"§ 22-7.8 Credit [~~for~~] toward land required for parks and playgrounds.

(a) *Credit for lands dedicated or provided in perpetuity for [~~parks~~] park and playground purposes before [~~the effective date of this article.~~] October 16, 1976.* Where lands for [~~park and playground~~] parks and playgrounds were dedicated or provided in perpetuity before [~~the effective date of this article,~~] October 16, 1976, such [~~land shall~~] park and playground lands will be credited [~~against~~] toward the [~~park land which could~~] park and playground lands that would otherwise be required under § 22-7.5.

(b) *Credit for subdivisions where the provisions of this article were previously met.* When a subdivision is resubdivided or redeveloped, this article [~~shall~~] will apply to the dwelling or lodging units [~~above~~] that are constructed in addition to those units [~~which~~] that originally complied with this article. Credit [~~shall~~] will be applied [~~to such~~] toward the park and playground land area [~~which~~] that would otherwise be required under § 22-7.5, whether such park and playground lands were dedicated[~~,~~] or provided in perpetuity, or fees were paid in lieu thereof.

(c) *Credit for privately owned parks and playgrounds.* When land is provided in perpetuity or dedicated for a private park and playground in a subdivision and [~~such area~~] the land is to be owned and maintained, and used by the owners (including private parties and public agencies), purchasers, or occupants of the subdivision, such park and playground land [~~shall~~] will be credited [~~against~~] toward the [~~park land area which~~] park and playground lands that would otherwise be required under § 22-7.5.

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(d) *Credit for dog parks.* When land is provided in perpetuity or dedicated for use as a dog park:

(1) In a subdivision where the dog park is:

(A) To be owned and maintained, and used by the owners (including private parties and public agencies), purchasers, or occupants of the subdivision; and

(B) Part of a larger contiguous park and playground land area or privately owned park and playground land area; or

(2) As part of a multiple-family development and the dog park is part of a larger contiguous privately owned park and playground land area;

the land area provided in perpetuity or dedicated for use as a dog park will be credited toward the park and playground lands that would otherwise be required under § 22-7.5; provided that any credit for the land area provided in perpetuity or dedicated for use as a dog park must not exceed 10 percent of the total park and playground lands required thereof."

SECTION 3. Ordinance material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken. New material is underscored. When revising, compiling, or printing this ordinance for inclusion in the Revised Ordinances of Honolulu, the Revisor of Ordinances need not include the brackets, the material that has been bracketed and stricken, or the underscoring.

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SECTION 4. This ordinance takes effect upon its approval.

INTRODUCED BY:

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

OCT 29 2025

Honolulu, Hawai'i

Councilmembers

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Deputy Corporation Counsel

APPROVED this _____day of _____, 20 ____.

RICK BLANGIARDI, Mayor
City and County of Honolulu