

PRAB Report #2011-2

June 22, 2011

**PARK AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL**

SUBJECT: **Smoking Policy at Roosevelt Center**

DISCUSSION: PRAB reviewed a City Council referral regarding smoking at the Roosevelt Center at its regular monthly meeting June 15, 2011. There was discussion about the fact that the area in the center is considered a city park and should follow the smoking ban previously adopted by Council. However, since the Center is not a traditional park space, discussion centered on activities that take place there. Many children and families frequent the center and there was no support for allowing smoking at the Center.

However, the board acknowledged that a designated smoking area would be necessary for smokers, hopefully away from the buildings. PRAB thought the picnic table area behind the Mobile station might be the most suitable, since this is an area where smokers already congregate.

RECOMMENDATION:

PRAB recommends that the Roosevelt Center become a smoke free park and that an area be designated for smokers away from the buildings.
Vote 8 - 0

Respectfully submitted by:
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