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Alcohol in Parks - Program Update CD2021-1564
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PROGRAM SUMMARY

PROGRAM AWARENESS & IMPACT



58
Tables
in the program

1556 Bookings

- 2 Complaints through 311
- O Issues reported by Enforcement or Operations staff



PROGRAM ATTITUDES

65%

Support the program

36%

next summer if it is available next summer.



PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK



92%

For the vast majority the program enhanced their park experience

73%

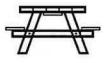
Visited parks more often because of the program

96%

Are likely to use the program next summer if it is available

66%

Indicated they used the program because they didn't have a backyard



HEALTH CONCERNS



0%

Mentioned alcohol consumption or Alcohol in Parks pilot program as a reason for decreased park visitation frequency this summer.

71%

The majority of those who do not agree with alcohol consumption in parks, continued to visit parks as they normally would.



RECOMMENDATION

That the Community Development Committee recommend that

Council approve the continuation and expansion of the Alcohol in Parks program.





Legislation

ALBERTA GAMING LIQUOR CANNABIS ACT

Section 89 (2):

A person may consume liquor in a public park in a *picnic area* designated by the *owner or operator* of the public park during the hours designated by the owner or operator if a *sign* is posted that

- a) states that a person may consume liquor in the designated picnic area,
- b) sets out the designated picnic area, and RSA 2000 Section 90 Chapter G-1 GAMING, LIQUOR AND CANNABIS ACT 40
- c) sets out the hours when liquor may be consumed.

The requirement for alcohol to be consumed with food was removed from the Act in 2020