BOARD POLICY – SECTION NUMBER 10.10.00.00:

SUBJECT:

Camping discounts for senior citizens (Hillsborough County residents and non-residents) aged 55 to 64 equal to 25% of the base family camp site fee rate; Camping discounts for senior citizens (Hillsborough County residents only) aged 65 and older equal to 50% of the base family camp site fee rate; Camping discounts for 100% disabled citizens equal to 50% of the base family camp site fee rate; and allow for the issuance of annual regional park entrance passes at a 50% discount for economically disadvantaged citizens and 100% disabled citizens

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 5, 2012

SUPERSEDES: New

Purpose:

The purpose of this policy is to provide camping discounts for senior citizens over the age of 55 and 100% disabled citizens and to allow for the issuance of discounted annual regional park entrance passes for economically disadvantaged citizens and 100% disabled citizens.

Policy:

To provide camping discounts for senior citizens over the age of 55 and 100% disabled citizens and to allow for the issuance of discounted annual regional park entrance passes for economically disadvantaged citizens and 100% disabled citizens.

Senior citizens (Hillsborough County residents and non-residents) aged 55 to 64 receive camping discounts equal to 25% of the base family camp site fee rate; Senior citizens (Hillsborough County residents only) aged 65 and older receive camping discounts equal to 50% of the base family camp site fee rate; 100% disabled citizens receive camping discounts equal to 50% of the base family camp site fee rate.

Registered Campers are not charged an entry fee.

Satisfactory written documentation is required for issuance of these discounts. The following written documentation will be considered in determining eligibility:

Recipients must provide proof of **age** by showing one of the following:

1. Florida Drivers License:

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- 2. Birth certificate; or
- 3. A Florida Senior Citizen Hunting and Fishing Certificate.

Recipients must provide proof of **residency** by showing one of the following:

- a. Permanent Florida Driver License:
- b. Hillsborough County voter registration; or
- c. Other official document that will serve as a declaration of residency in Hillsborough County.

Recipients must show proof of **disability** by showing one of the following:

- 1. SSA disability award document;
- 2. Current document from a federal agency which states the bearer is 100% disabled:
- 3. A current Medicare card; or
- A Florida Totally and Permanently Disabled Person Hunting and Fishing Certificate.
- 5. Civil Service Retirement System approval letter showing 100% disability; or
- 6. Department of Revenue Form 416, Physician's Certification of Total and Permanent Disability.

Allow for the issuance of annual regional park entrance passes at a 50% discount for economically disadvantaged citizens and 100% disabled citizens.

Recipients must provide proof of **residency** by showing one of the following:

- 1. Permanent Florida Driver License:
- 2. Hillsborough County voter registration; or
- 3. Other official document that will serve as a declaration of residency in Hillsborough County.

Recipients must show proof that they are currently participating in a Food Stamp Program, or

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- 1. SSA disability award document;
- 2. Current document from a federal agency which states the bearer is 100% disabled:
- 3. A current Medicare card; or
- 4. A Florida Totally and Permanently Disabled Person Hunting and Fishing Certificate.
- 5. Civil Service Retirement System approval letter showing 100% disability; or

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6. Department of Revenue Form 416, Physician's Certification of Total and Permanent Disability.

Responsibilities:

It is the responsibility of the Parks, Recreation and Conservation Department to ensure compliance with this policy.

Approved By: **Board of County Commissioners**

Approval Date: <u>December 5, 2012</u>