

Recommended by Park and Rec Commission on 11/17/25 for council approval.  
Councilor Bierma introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

**Resolution 2608**  
**RESOLUTION REGARDING THE USE OF DOCKS ON CITY PROPERTY**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Lake Crystal, is a municipal corporation created by Charter and under the laws of the State of Minnesota.; and

**WHEREAS**, the City owns property that adjoins the lakes in and around the City of Lake Crystal; and

**WHEREAS**, the City in the past allowed individuals to use build and place docks on City Property to allow the individuals, their guests and invitees to use those docks, sometimes to the exclusion of other members of the public.

**WHEREAS**, due to liability concerns and in an effort to treat all citizens of Lake Crystal equally, the use of any privately owned docks on city property shall be phased out:

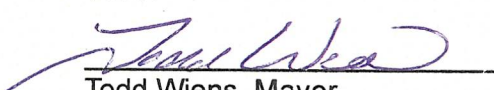
**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the City Council of the City of Lake Crystal resolves as follows:

1. That any dock that is constructed on City property shall be authorized and owned by the City of Lake Crystal for the use of the public as a whole.
2. That any existing dock will be allowed to continue its use, as long as the dock is maintained in a fashion that it is safe to be used, that if any dock falls into disrepair the City shall provide notice to the dock owner that the dock needs to be removed and shall provide a date by which the dock must be removed. If the dock is not removed by that time, the City may remove the dock and bill the dock owner for those costs.
3. That beginning in 2026 any existing dock owner wishing to continue to use their dock at its present location, on city property, shall pay an annual fee to the city in the amount of \$25.00 per annum. Said fee shall be due and payable on or before May 1. Said amount may be adjusted by the City on an annual basis.
4. Current dock owners are allowed to remove their existing docks, but they will ensure that there is no damage to any city property, and if there is any damage to city property, the dock owner shall reimburse the city for the costs of repair.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was seconded by Councilor Windsperger and upon a vote being taken thereon; the following voted in favor thereof: Wiens, Windsperger, Bierma, Hanson, and Cooper.

And the following voted against the same: None

Passed and duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Lake Crystal this 20th day of January 2026.

  
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Todd Wiens, Mayor

ATTEST:   
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Angela Grafstrom, City Administrator