

MEMO

Date: January 5, 2023
To: Parks Commission
From: Cindi Wight, Director
Deryk Roach, Parks and Facilities Superintendent
Subject: Park Fees

Recommendations to Parks Commission:

Approve the 2023 fees for the use of outdoor park locations.

OVERVIEW

All Park field use fees require approval annually from the Parks Commission. The Commission approved the 2022 fees in November, 2021.

COST Recovery Goals related to Park Fees

Category – Open Space

Our cost recovery goals for open spaces range from 0-5%. It is the Cost Recovery category that requires the most subsidy from the taxpayers based on the reasoning that it supports all community members.

Category – Rentals

Our cost recovery goals for rentals range from 40-80%. The wide discrepancy in the range is to take into account rentals of spaces for youth sports that serve a wide variety of our community, community gardens that help feed families, to the rental of a shelter or ice time that is exclusive to only those invited to the event.

Open Space Fees

Our open space fees include permits for spaces that are not an exclusive use of the Park.

Park Rentals

Our park rentals have a broad range of use. They include non-ticketed events to ticketed events, from youth sports to adult sports and ranges in between.



Park Programs

In 2022 we started a new “Park Programs” for commercial programs that use our outdoor parks. The intent was to welcome into our parks, commercial companies providing open registration programs (ex. yoga) but have a system in place for it. We had a slow start to the program and will look to continue to connect with partners and grow it.

2023 Changes requiring Commission approval

Field rentals – Increase from \$40/hour to \$50/hour
(see Excel spreadsheet for a listing of all fees)