



Legislation Text

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To amend and reordain City Code §§ 8-279 (concerning fees for use of public parks) for the purpose of revising the fees for weddings and to establish fees for rafting in the James River Park Systems, and to amend and reordain the fees set forth in Appendix A of the City Code for sections 8-277 (concerning fees for the use of the Dogwood Dell Amphitheater and Carillon in Byrd Park), 8-278 (concerning fees for the use of City-owned equipment), 8-279 (concerning fees for use of public parks), and 8-284(b) and (c) (concerning meeting fees) of the City Code.

THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEREBY ORDAINS:

§ 1. That section 8-279 of the Code of the City of Richmond (2015) be and is hereby **amended** and reordained as follows:

Sec. 8-279. Fees for use of public parks.

(a) Each person shall, for the privilege of renting the indoor facilities of park houses and recreation centers for private parties, receptions and weddings, be charged a user's fee as set forth in Appendix A to this Code. The user's fee shall be paid into the City treasury to defray the cost of the maintenance of the facility and the cost of utilities.

(b) ~~[Each person shall, for the privilege of renting a portion of a public park for the purpose of conducting a wedding, be charged a user's fee as set forth in Appendix A to this Code. Such use shall be limited to two hours' duration, and the fee charged shall be in lieu of staffing charge, etc. The user's fee shall be paid into the City treasury to defray the cost of the maintenance of the park and the cost of utilities]~~ For rafting within the James River Park Systems, a rafting vendor permit fee and rafting fee shall be imposed as set forth in Appendix A to this Code.

(c) Additional fees shall be imposed as set forth in Appendix A to this Code.

§ 2. That the fees set forth in Appendix A of the Code of the City of Richmond (2015) for sections 8-

277, 8-278, 8-279(a), 8-279(b), 8-279(c), 8-284(b), 8-284(c), and 8-286(c) of the Code of the City of Richmond (2015) be and are hereby **amended** and reordained as follows:

<i>Code Section</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Fee</i>
8-277	Fees for use of Dogwood Dell Amphitheater: For programs other than Festival of Arts productions staged under the joint auspices of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities, including graduation ceremonies, orientations, and sponsored performances and productions (other than the Festival of Arts), <u>per hour, with a four hour minimum</u>	[\$850.00] <u>\$150.00</u>
	Plus, per hour per staff person, with a four-hour minimum	[\$27.00] <u>\$35.00</u>
	[For complete access, per day]	[\$1,150.00]
	[Plus, per hour per staff person, with a four-hour minimum]	[\$27.00]
8-278	Fee for the use of equipment owned by the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities in activities sponsored by parties other than the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities; such rental (usage) fee shall be paid prior to pickup of any listed item, and the fee is per day for rentals, inside facilities only: [Six-foot round tables, each]	[\$8.50]
	[Six-foot long tables, each]	[\$6.50]
	[Chairs, each]	[\$1.00]
	Mobile stage units [(stage II)] <u>(includes setup/breakdown, generator, and staffing cost, per day)</u>	[\$625.00] <u>\$1,600.00</u>
	[Plus staffing cost for delivery, staffing, if necessary, and pickup per hour per staff person assigned]	[\$27.00]
	[Showmobile]	[\$625.00]
	[Piano rental, per day]	[\$50.00]
	[Plus staffing cost for delivery, staffing, if necessary, and pickup, per hour per staff person assigned]	[\$27.00]
8-279(a)	For the privilege of renting [the indoor facilities of] park houses and recreation centers [for private parties, receptions and weddings, for a four-hour period], per room, per hour with a two hour minimum plus staff [overtime] cost: <u>(1) Recreation center meeting rooms:</u>	[\$275.00]

	<u>a. Small (25 people or less), per hour</u>	<u>\$30.00</u>
	<u>b. Medium (26 to 75 people), per hour</u>	<u>\$40.00</u>
	<u>c. Large (76 or more people), per hour</u>	<u>\$65.00</u>
	<u>(2) Park house (Chimborazo)</u>	<u>\$30.00</u>
	<u>(3) Park house (Byrd Park Round House)</u>	<u>\$55.00</u>
	<u>(4) Park house (Forest Hill Stone House)</u>	<u>\$55.00</u>
	<u>(5) Kitchens</u>	<u>\$25.00</u>
	<u>(6) Gymnasiums</u>	<u>\$65.00</u>
	<u>(7) City holiday rate</u>	<u>Double the base rate</u>
	<u>(8) Staff cost, per staff per hour</u>	<u>\$35.00</u>
	<u>(9) Refundable security deposit to be paid by credit card only</u>	<u>\$100.00</u>
8-279(b)	<p>[For the privilege of renting a portion of a public park for the purpose of conducting a wedding:] For rafting within the James River Park Systems:</p> <p>[For a two-hour period] (1) Rafting vendor permit fee, one-time fee per year [150.00] <u>\$25.00</u></p> <p>(2) Rafting fee (applies to permitted vendors for up to six rafts per trip) <u>\$50.00</u></p>	
8-279(c)	<p>[Additional fees:] For the privilege of renting a portion of a public park where no admission fees are charged or fundraising occurs. Excludes the following: amplified music, vendors, fireworks, carnival-type attractions, or street closures, per hour</p> <p>[(1) For special events. Special events are events that meet one or more of the following criteria:</p> <p>a. 300 or more persons will participate in the event</p> <p>b. The event will be publicly advertised</p> <p>c. The event will involve sales of food, beverages, or merchandise</p> <p>d. The event will make use of amplified sound, airborne objects, fireworks, or carnival-type attractions</p> <p>e. The event will have an impact on streets, roads, rights-of-way, or adjacent private property]</p> <p><u>Grounds fees:</u></p> <p>[(2) Commercial use for profit, per hour] [\$80.00]</p> <p>[(3) Commercial use nonprofit, per hour] [\$30.00]</p> <p>[(4) Other reserved use of public grounds, each one-hour period of use] [\$20.00]</p> <p>[(5) Special events at which fundraising occurs or for which admission charges are collected, per day] [\$900.00]</p>	

(1) Category 1: Small gathering with less than 100 attendees where no admissions fees are charged or fundraising occurs. Excludes amplified music, vendors, alcohol, fireworks, carnival attractions (i.e., moon bounces, bungee jumps, giant slides, etc.) or street closures. This fee is not applicable for events occurring at Kanawha Plaza and 17th Street Market \$50.00

(2) Category 2: Events that meet one or more of the following criteria: a. 101-300 attendees
b. Fundraiser for verified nonprofits c. Amplified music/sound d. Publicly advertised
e. Food/merchandise vendors f. Serving/selling alcohol, g. Carnival attractions (i.e., moon bounces, bungee jumps, giant slides, etc.) or street closures. This fee is not applicable for events occurring at Kanawha Plaza and 17th Street Market, per hour, with a minimum of four hours, plus staff costs at \$35.00, per hour, per staff \$100.00

(3) Category 3: Events that meet one or more of the following criteria: a. 301 or more attendees b. For profit or fundraising
c. Amplified music/sound d. Publicly advertised e. Food/merchandise vendors
f. Serving/selling alcohol, g. Carnival attractions (i.e., moon bounces, bungee jumps, giant slides, etc.) or street closures. This fee is not applicable for events occurring at Kanawha Plaza and 17th Street Market, per hour, plus staff costs at \$35.00 per hour, per staff \$150.00

(4) Refundable security deposit to be paid with credit card only \$250.00

(5) Early set up fee (day before event) \$200.00

(6) Staff cost, per staff \$35.00

8-284(c) Staff costs in setting up and preparing any room, in addition to the fees set forth in Section 8-284(a) and (b), per hour per staff person \$35.00

Fee for use of a facility on an official City holiday \$275.00

§ 2. This ordinance shall be in force and effect on July 1, 2020.