

PARKS PERMITTING

Land Use Transportation & Infrastructure Briefing (LUTI)

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DENVER
PARKS & RECREATION

GAME PLAN
for a Healthy City



DPR OVERVIEW

 **53**
FOUNTAINS /
INTERACTIVE WATER
FEATURES

 **SIX**
BIKE PARKS
& FEATURES

 **671**
ATHLETIC FIELDS &
SPORTS COURTS

 **16**
DOG PARKS

175
PLAYGROUNDS 

24
LAKES 

 **348 mi.**
TRAILS AND PARK WALKS

 **EIGHT**
SKATE PARKS &
FEATURES

50+ 
ACRES OF PLANTING BEDS

 **280+**
URBAN PARKS, TOTALING
MORE THAN 7K ACRES

 **40+**
MOUNTAIN PARKS, TOTALING
MORE THAN 14K ACRES

 **DENVER**
PARKS & RECREATION

1527 
PICNIC TABLES

 **TWO**
BISON HERDS

 **2.2 MILLION**
TREES WITHIN DENVER'S CITY LIMITS

 **SIX**
EVENT FACILITIES

32  **30** 
SWIMMING POOLS RECREATION CENTERS

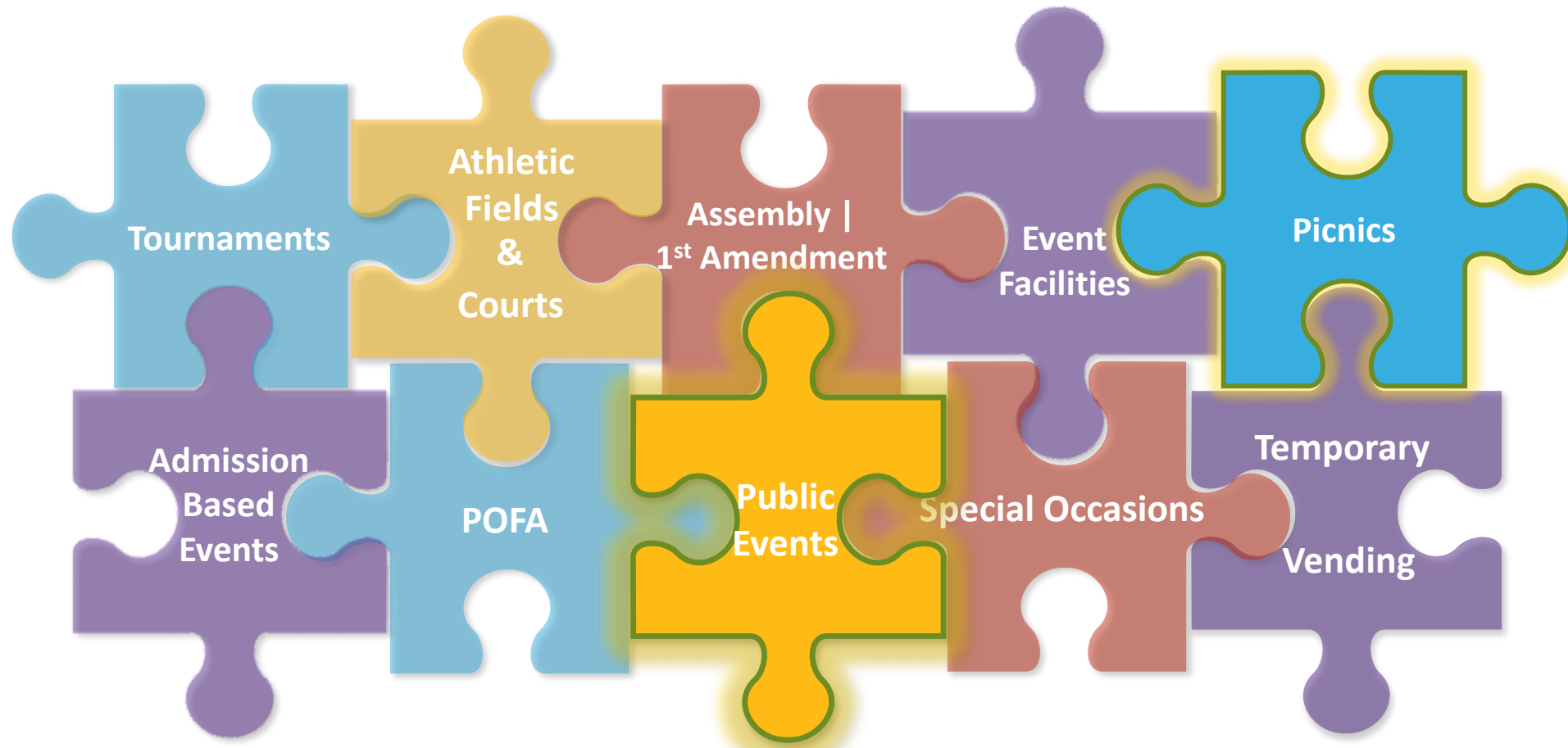
TWO MILLION+
RECREATION CENTER VISITS ANNUALLY

 **EIGHT**
GOLF COURSES

MY DENVER
PROVIDES FREE RECREATION CENTER MEMBERSHIPS FOR
DENVER RESIDENTS AGES 60+ AND YOUTH AGES 5-18 AS WELL
AS ORGANIZED AFTER SCHOOL AND SUMMER PROGRAMS

JULY 2024

PERMIT CATEGORIES



PICNIC PERMIT

WHAT: Private gathering at one of 100 urban sites and many mountain sites

WHEN NEEDED: Exclusive use of a space required (beyond casual park use)

HOW TO OBTAIN:

- Submit request online (denvergov.org/picnics) - instant processing
- Request site in-person at Parks Permit Office - same day processing
- Online “how-to” instructions [HERE](#)

PUBLIC EVENT PERMIT

WHAT: Free and admission-based events such as festivals, concerts, and walk/runs/rides

WHEN NEEDED: Activity meets the definition of a public event

HOW TO OBTAIN:

- Submit park permit [application](#) via email (park.permits@denvergov.org) or in-person at Parks Permit Office
- Apply at least 60 days in advance

REGISTERED NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS

- Follow existing policies, regulations, permit timelines
- Nonprofit fees apply (regardless of nonprofit status)
- Eligible for City Council co-sponsorship (if activity is open to the public, not for private occasions)

CO-SPONSORSHIP

- Reduces or waives a nonprofit, government agency, or sister organization's permit fees for an event whose purpose has a close association with and promotes DPR core programs and services
- Waives permit fees only (not hard costs)
- Does not waive permit requirements
- Does not waive deadlines
 - 60-day application for Public Events

CO-SPONSORSHIP (CONT.)

- An organization (nonprofit only – see criteria for applicant in policy) asks for City Council sponsorship
- The organization will be the permit holder and must meet all permit requirements and pay hard costs if applicable
- The organization presents the sponsorship request form to City Council office who will sign/approve the sponsorship
- The organization returns the signed sponsorship request form with the park permit application to the Parks Permit Office by deadline
- [Co-Sponsorship Policy](#) | [Co-Sponsorship Application](#)

GENERAL INFORMATION

Helpful Websites

www.denvergov.org/permits

- Types of Permits
- Application Process & Fees
- Timelines & Deadlines
- Park Use Rules/Permit Rules

www.denvergov.org/maps/map/parks

“**Denver Maps**” feature on the website helps users choose the site that best suits their needs before contacting the Parks Permit Office

www.denvergov.org/eventfacilities

- Event Facility Brochures
- Reservation Process & Fees
- Rules & Regulations

How to Reach Us

Call: 720.913.0700 (press 6 to leave a message)

Email: park.permits@denvergov.org

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday, 8am-4pm

M, W, F: By phone, by email

T & Th: Montclair Civic Building (The Molkery)

QUESTIONS?