

# ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION REQUEST

Please email requests to the Mayor's Legislative Team

at [MileHighOrdinance@DenverGov.org](mailto:MileHighOrdinance@DenverGov.org) by 9 a.m. Friday. Contact the Mayor's Legislative team with questions

Date of Request: 03/13/2026

Please mark one:  Bill Request or  Resolution Request

Please mark one: The request directly impacts developments, projects, contracts, resolutions, or bills that involve property and impact within .5 miles of the South Platte River from Denver's northern to southern boundary? (Check map [HERE](#))

Yes  No

## 1. Type of Request:

Contract/Grant Agreement  Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA)  Rezoning/Text Amendment

Dedication/Vacation  Appropriation/Supplemental  DRMC Change

Other:

2. **Title:** (Start with *approves, amends, dedicates*, etc., include name of company or contractor and indicate the type of request: grant acceptance, contract execution, contract amendment, municipal code change, supplemental request, etc.)

Approves a revenue agreement between Denver Parks and Recreation and the Denver Mountain Parks Foundation, Inc. (DMFP) for the seasonal operation of the Mount Blue Sky Recreation Area under the permit issued to the Denver Mountain Parks Foundation by the United States Forest Service (USFS) through 12-31-2029, in Mountain Parks.

3. **Requesting Agency:** Denver Parks and Recreation

## 4. Contact Person:

Contact person with knowledge of proposed ordinance/resolution (e.g., subject matter expert)	Contact person for council members or mayor-council
Name: Shannon Dennison	Name: Jesus Orrantia
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5. **General description or background of proposed request. Attach executive summary if more space needed:**  
(who, what, why)

For over a century the City has co-managed Mount Blue Sky (formerly Mount Evans) Recreation Area with the US Forest Service. This agreement between the City and the Denver Mountain Parks Foundation (DMPF) will allow DPR's Mountain Park Division (DMP) lead operations at the Mount Blue Sky Recreation Area under a permit issued by the US Forest Service to the DMPF. This partnership will increase efficiency, steward resources more responsibly, and enhance the visitor experience.

The Mount Blue Sky Recreation Area includes an entrance station, nature center, parking lots, restrooms, scenic views and trails through native gardens and ancient forests, and sees more than 100,000 visitors annually. Denver Mountain Parks owns Echo Lake Park and Summit Lake Park within the recreation area.

As part of the agreement, DMP will manage the reservation system and determine hours for operations. Fees collected will help fund the maintenance and upkeep of facilities in the recreation area. The Forest Service will maintain a presence in the area as well, supporting visitor information, managing Wilderness and trails, and supporting fire suppression and prevention.

Denver Mountain Parks Foundation will retain 10% of gross revenue for administrative and overhead costs, and will retain 3% of gross revenue from fees collected for Mount Goliath and the Mount Blue Sky Summit (both US Forest Service properties) to the US Forest Service. Remaining revenue will be remitted to the City for operational costs and upkeep of facilities within the recreation area.

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- 6. **City Attorney assigned to this request (if applicable):** Jason Moore
- 7. **City Council District:** N/A - Denver Mountain Parks
- 8. **\*\*For all contracts, fill out and submit accompanying Key Contract Terms worksheet\*\***

**Key Contract Terms**

**Type of Contract: (e.g. Professional Services > \$500K; IGA/Grant Agreement, Sale or Lease of Real Property):** Revenue Agreement

**Vendor/Contractor Name (including any dba's):** Denver Mountain Parks Foundation, Inc.

**Contract control number (legacy and new):** PARKS-202683453

**Location:** Denver Mountain Parks 300 Union Ave Morrison CO 80465

**Is this a new contract?**  Yes  No **Is this an Amendment?**  Yes  No **If yes, how many?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contract Term/Duration (for amended contracts, include existing term dates and amended dates):**

Date of execution to December 31, 2029

**Contract Amount (indicate existing amount, amended amount and new contract total):**

<i>Current Contract Amount</i> (A)	<i>Additional Funds</i> (B)	<i>Total Contract Amount</i> (A+B)

  

<i>Current Contract Term</i>	<i>Added Time</i>	<i>New Ending Date</i>

**Scope of work:**

The Denver Mountain Parks Foundation will hold the permit issued by the US Forest Service; will collect entrance fees; will remit revenue share; and will meet other contract and reporting requirements. Denver Mountain Parks will conduct daily operations, including managing the entrance station; patrolling visitor use areas; cleaning and maintaining bathrooms; reducing human wildlife conflicts; and providing visitor education and support.

**Was this contractor selected by competitive process?** No  
appropriated city funds to the contractor/partner.

**If not, why not?** This agreement does not involve transfer of

**Has this contractor provided these services to the City before?**  Yes  No

**Source of funds:** N/A

**Is this contract subject to:**  W/MBE  DBE  SBE  XO101  ACDBE  N/A

**WBE/MBE/DBE commitments (construction, design, Airport concession contracts):**

**Who are the subcontractors to this contract?** N/A

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