

ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION REQUEST

Please email requests to the Mayor’s Legislative Team

at [MileHighOrdinance@DenverGov.org](mailto: MileHighOrdinance@DenverGov.org) by **9:00am on Friday**. Contact the Mayor’s Legislative team with questions

Date of Request: August 15, 2023

Please mark one: **Bill Request** or **Resolution Request**

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.)

Amends Chapter 39 of Denver Revised Municipal Code regarding certain park and park related fees associated with use of facilities at Arkins Court Park.

3. Requesting Agency: Department of Parks and Recreation

4. Contact Person:

Contact person with knowledge of proposed ordinance/resolution	Contact person to present item at Mayor-Council and Council
Name: Alaina McWhorter	Name: Jesus Orrantia
Email: alaina.mcwhoter@denvergov.org	Email: jesus.orrantia@denvergov.org

5. General description or background of proposed request. Attach executive summary if more space needed:

The 2019 Game Plan for a Health City declares equitable access to parks, open space, and recreation a basic right for all residents, and establishes Denver’s parks, facilities and recreational programs as essential for a healthy environment, healthy residents, and a high quality of life. The strategies in the Game Plan ensure our parks, recreation, open space, and forests create a system focused on Every Drop, Every Person, and Every Dollar that is Uniquely Denver. The Game Plan guides all operational and investment decisions of the department in line with DPR’s mission, values, and strategic goals centered on equity, affordability, accessibility, and fiscal responsibility. This ordinance request incorporates new park services and associated private event rental fees provided by DPR’s cooperative partner, the RiNo Art District, into DPR’s fee structure and positions the department and RiNo Art District for success in executing the Game Plan vision to improve and expand high-quality parks and recreation programs to meet the needs of our community now and through the future.

The RiNo Art District recently completed capital improvements to the Interstate building, finalizing the transformation of Arkins Court Park and its facilities to a destination park in North Denver that supports local artists, entrepreneurs, nonprofits, and community groups. RiNo Art District’s programming invites all Denver residents and visitors to engage in this diverse indoor/outdoor campus of learning, culture, innovation, collaboration and community. DPR’s partnership with the RiNo Art District ensures the unique history, culture, and community of the Five Points, Globeville-Elyria Swansea, and North Denver neighborhoods are celebrated. People of all ages, abilities, and interests will be able to explore Denver’s unique outdoor environment and the beautiful South Platte River and trail. They will be able to relax and enjoy Denver’s backyard and all its beauty and their benefits to our mental and physical health and wellbeing. And with the help of our programming partners at the RiNo Art District, they will have access to vibrant and diverse outdoor recreation, education, and social programs and activities. From visual and performance arts programs and to painting and environmental education classes to adaptive and mixed-use space for community events or special occasions, Arkins Court Park now has a little something for everyone.

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The ordinance specifically includes:

1. A maximum daily rental fee of \$8,000 for the Interstate Building. The newly proposed rental rate is the maximum rate able to be assessed, reserved only for corporate rentals, which help offset deep discounts and/or free use by non-profits and community groups who expand public access to programs and services.
2. Language authorizing the Manager of Parks and Recreation to approve special and/or discounted rates.
3. The CPI allowance for an initial adjustment in line with CPI (up to a maximum of 5%) on March 1, 2024, and a final adjustment on March 1, 2029. These CPI dates align with CPI allowances for other DPR cooperative partners.

6. **City Attorney assigned to this request (if applicable): Jason Moore**

7. **City Council District:** District 9

8. ****For all contracts, fill out and submit accompanying Key Contract Terms worksheet****

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