

# 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

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**1527**   
PICNIC TABLES

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

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

 **TWO**  
BISON HERDS

 **SIX**  
EVENT FACILITIES

**32**  **30**   
SWIMMING POOLS RECREATION CENTERS

**TWO MILLION+**  
RECREATION CENTER VISITS ANNUALLY

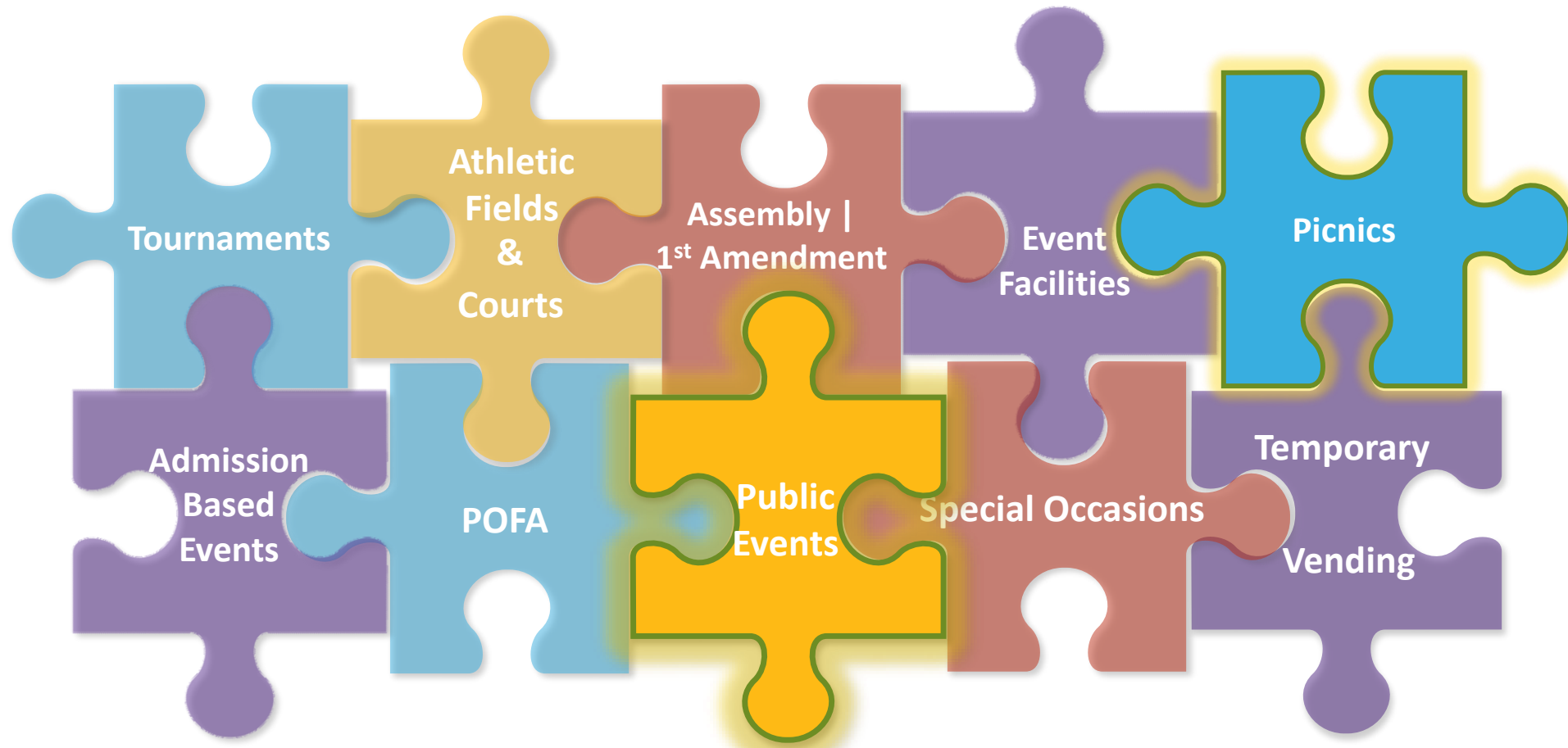
 **EIGHT**  
GOLF COURSES

## 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](https://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](mailto: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](http://www.denvergov.org/permits)

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

[www.denvergov.org/maps/map/parks](http://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](http://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](mailto: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?