

Proposed Fee Adjustments

2026



Fairfax County Park Authority

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Organization of the FY 2026 Fee Proposal

The FY 2026 Park Authority Fee Proposal begins with the Current Situation – System-wide Considerations, which describes the important factors in the Park Authority’s overall operating environment that influenced the composition of this year’s fee adjustment proposal. (Note that some data presented in this section is current as of September 2025, when this portion of the document was prepared.) This overview is followed by separate sections for each of the specific fee adjustments that are being proposed. Each of these sections briefly outlines important situational factors specific to that business area that influenced the development of the proposed fee adjustments. This is then followed by a summary of the fee adjustments proposed for that business area.

The Park Authority Board maintains oversight approval for approximately 500 facility use/rental fees in its Schedule of Rates, Fees and Other Charges. Although staff reviews the entire fee schedule annually, only new fees and/or those recommended for adjustment are included in the annual fee proposal. Fee adjustments resulting from review of the FCPA Fee Schedule are designated as Park Authority Board approved. Program and administrative fees are not included in this process. Those are designated by Policy 109 – User Fees as director-approved.

Current Situation – System-wide Considerations

- Fees generated in the Park Authority’s Revenue and Operating Fund (ROF) pay for nearly all personnel expenses and operating costs at all Park Authority-operated golf courses and Rec Centers; at managed parks for fee-sustained facilities and program operations; and for rental facilities, programs, and store sales at nature centers, visitor centers, historic sites and other parks. Sustained revenue growth is essential to support the ROF and to offset increases in operating expenses. Income from fees must also pay back debt service associated with revenue bonds used to develop golf course facilities.
- Revenue growth is intended, by design, to come from multiple sources, including new facility improvements and expansions, program participation growth, new facility users, cost management and fee increases.
- As a matter of policy, the Park Authority prefers to adopt regular, gradual fee increases rather than infrequent, but larger increases that are more disruptive to its customers. As the Park Authority’s fee policy states “where feasible, comparatively small and regular fee increases are preferred over less frequent, larger increases.”
- Laurel Hill debt obligations for FY 2026 and FY 2027 are \$932,378 and \$932,262 respectively.

- In managing the Park Revenue and Operating Fund, staff identify several significant near-term budgetary impacts, including the following:
 - Employee compensation – market rate adjustment and performance-based and longevity increases, minimum wage increases, competitive pay rate adjustments, and bonuses. The FY 2026 budget includes a 2% COLA and approximately 2% for performance based and longevity increases for Merit staff and approximately 2% COLA for non-merit staff. In addition, the Park Rec Specialist job class wages were increased based on a Benchmarking study completed by Department of Human Resources. The Park Authority Revenue Fund is also significantly impacted by the Living Wage increases that continue in 2025 and 2026. In addition to the mandatory compensation increases, the Park Authority has had to make several increases to baseline pay rates, including offering signing and retention bonuses for difficult to fill summer positions (lifeguards and camp counselors) to remain competitive with the market. The estimated total for all increases is \$963K in FY 2026. While the FY 2027 compensation increase is currently unknown, it is anticipated to be similar to FY 2026.
 - Benefits. In FY 2025, key changes in benefit costs for the ROF included the following:
 - Overall benefits increased \$953,251 or 11.9% to \$8,939,069.
 - Retirement contributions increased \$699,352 or 20.5% to \$4,112,829.
 - Health care benefits for all ROF personnel increased \$188,379 or 8.1% to \$2,511,722.
 - Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) costs for ROF The OPEB charge to the ROF in FY 2025 was \$73,747 and is budgeted at \$286,660 in FY 2026
 - Retirement impacts - leave payouts. Like the general county, the Park Authority is facing an increased number of retirements as Baby Boomers exit the work force. The ROF incurred \$119,111 in leave payouts in FY 2025. Retirement payouts are projected to be \$70,014 in FY 2026 and \$244,316 in FY 2027. Future projections are based on employees currently in DROP and their anticipated termination dates.
 - Indirect costs. The county assesses the Park Authority annual charges for indirect costs for provision of legal, human resources and other centralized services. The indirect cost assessment for FY 2026 is \$820,000, unchanged from the prior year.
 - Cost recovery expectations. The Park Authority's net revenue goals are focused on: 1) meeting the ROF financial obligations (the Park Authority needs to maintain reserve for the ROF) and 2) reinvestment (the Park Authority deferred maintenance estimates total \$201 million, with nearly \$68 million in Rec Centers alone).
 - Deferred revenue – The amount of deferred revenue in FY 2025 increased by \$3M from FY 2024 because of the increased deferral for camps and classes to 52.5% and revenue growth in other lines of business including memberships. As FCPA continues to move towards 100% deferral, this has the financial impact of reducing revenue in those lines of business.

General Market Conditions

General market conditions and Park Authority use/revenue trends that have also influenced the composition of the FY 2026 fee proposal are outlined below. Measures of the current condition of the local economy that are typically considered in the annual fee proposal include trends in the Washington region's consumer price index, the Fairfax County unemployment rate and sales tax receipts for retail sales. The proposal also tracks consumer confidence in the economy by reporting recent trends in the national consumer confidence index developed by The Conference Board. Location analytics firm Placer.ai tracks visits to brick-and-mortar retail locations compared to pre-pandemic levels based on anonymized cell phone location data. The presence of consumers in retail locations is a good proxy for sales and so is included in the retail sales section below.

Consumer price index (CPI)

Annual growth in the Washington region CPI during the first half of 2025 was 2.9%. Current inflationary pressures are attributed to sweeping immigration reform and steep tariffs which are slowly being passed on to consumers. The cost of living continues to increase at a time when the job market appears to be on shakier footing due to the current closing of the Federal Government. Cumulative CPI growth in the Washington region over the past two years was 5.4%; three-year CPI growth was 10.2%.

Unemployment

Fairfax County's seasonally unadjusted unemployment rate for July 2025 was 2.4%, down slightly from 2.6% the previous July. During 2025, the monthly unemployment rate ranged from 2.2% to 2.6% and averaged 2.4%. As is the typical pattern, current unemployment in Fairfax County is lower than the national level and the state level (3.8% and 3.5% respectively for July 2025). Within northern Virginia, Fairfax County unemployment remains lower than Arlington County (2.9%), Alexandria City (3.2), Loudoun County (2.8%) and Prince William County (3.3%).

Retail Sales

Fairfax County retail sales tax receipts are a barometer of the health of local consumer spending. Through July, total FY 2025 sales tax revenue increased 2.5% over the prior year.

Consumer Confidence Index

The Conference Board's Consumer Confidence Index (CCI) is a widely used national measure of consumer optimism about the U.S. economy and a leading economic indicator. Historically, consumer confidence trended gradually upward following the end of the Great Recession in 2009, until the sharp decline triggered by the COVID-19 pandemic. Between February and April 2020, the index fell 35%, dropping from 132.6 to 85.7. Confidence began a strong recovery in March 2021 and reached 128.9 by June 2021, nearly returning to pre-pandemic levels.

Since 2022, however, the CCI has shown a slow decline. Through July 2025, the index indicates a modest increase, though it remains within a narrow range observed over the past two years. Consumers continue to express optimism about the labor market but remain cautious due to elevated prices, higher interest rates, and ongoing economic uncertainty, factors that may not ease until 2026.

Park Authority Use and Revenue Trends

Golf

The total number of golf rounds played at Park Authority courses in FY2025 decreased 4.6% from the previous year because of weather impacts. Even with the decrease in golf rounds played, Greens Fees revenue increased by 1%. The Driving range revenue increased by 7% while the fee increase was only 4%, illustrating an increase in play.

Overall FY2025 golf revenue increased by 1% from FY2024 with increases in the following areas: driving range 7%, greens fees 1%, miniature golf 6%, and equipment rentals 6%. These are offset by a decrease in golf handicap fees (13%), special event fees (18%) and donations (9%).

Rec Centers

Both Rec Center attendance and revenue for FY 2025 were up from the prior year. Rec Center revenue has increased by 8% while attendance has increased by 31%.

Season passes and general admission were up by 21% and 3% respectively. This was offset by a decrease in recreation class fees of 10% because of the increase in Deferred Revenue.

Water Mine

The Water Mine revenue decreased in FY 2025 from the prior year by 23% primarily due to challenges with weather. Expenses were also down in FY 2025 by 10% compared to FY 2024.

Resource Management

RMI total revenue was down 5% from FY 2024 with visitation also decreasing 1%. The increase in deferred revenue in FY 2025 accounts for most of the revenue decrease year over year.

Proposed Fee Adjustments

Golf

Greens Fees – Maximum

Staff recommends an increase to the maximum green's fees outlined below to allow demand to continue guiding fee adjustments throughout the year. With the consistent demand for golf, rising costs associated with course maintenance, salary increases, and overall facility expenses driven by inflation, as well as the need to maintain course conditions comparable to each course's regional competitors, a greens fee increase is considered necessary.

Greens Fees - Maximum				
<u>Course</u>	<u>Current</u>			<u>Proposed</u>
	9 holes	18 holes		9 holes 18 holes
Burke Lake	\$29	\$38		\$31 \$40
Jefferson	\$36	n/a		\$38 n/a
Oakmont	\$29	n/a		\$31 n/a
Pinecrest	\$36	n/a		\$38 n/a
Greendale	\$35	\$53		n/c n/c
Twin Lakes-Lakes & Oaks	\$45	\$69		\$47 \$71
Laurel Hill	n/a	\$129		n/a \$134

Laurel Hill Golf Club Annual Memberships

With the proposed greens fee increase for CY2026, staff also recommend adjusting the annual membership rates at Laurel Hill Golf Club to align with the updated greens fees and the continued strong demand for golf post-COVID. The proposed adjustment represents an increase of over 4%, consistent with the greens fee changes and comparable to the membership pricing of the course's regional competitive set.

	<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
Full Golf Membership- Individual	\$6,500	\$6,800
Full Golf Membership-spouse or other family member	\$4,875	\$5,100
Weekday Golf Membership- Individual	\$5,000	\$5,250

Power Cart and Accessible Power Cart Rentals

Staff recommend a \$1 increase for 9-hole rentals, 2nd nine rentals and 18-hole rentals due to increased maintenance repair costs along with upgraded cart fleets at all seven golf sites.

Power Cart and Accessible Power Cart Rentals		
<i>Burke Lake, Jefferson, Oakmont, Pinecrest, Greendale, Twin Lakes</i>		
	<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
9 holes	\$15	\$16
2 nd nine	\$5	\$6
18 holes (where available)	\$20	\$21

Pinecrest Golf Course Indoor Range

Staff is recommending a \$1 increase, bringing the fee to \$6 per ¼ hour.

Pinecrest Golf Course Indoor Range		
	<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
Range Use ¼ hour	\$5	\$6

Rec Centers

Rec Center Membership – Discount Fast Pass

The proposed adjustments to the Discount Fast Pass reflect targeted increases to better align with increased salary expenses, increased operational expenses, admission trends and facility membership structures. Staff propose to bring the Adult (19+) rates in line with daily facility admission and time-based memberships. Youth/Student (5–24) and Senior (65+) passes remain unchanged for out-of-county but increase for in-county to reflect proportional fees. DFP gives discounted access to park users who purchase 25 admissions at one time. The need to match what is included with general admission. General admission includes access to the Rec Center pools, fitness centers, drop-in fitness classes, gymnasiums, and locker room facilities. Staff propose removing the inclusion of ice skating and racquetball court rental benefits from the DFP as separate packages already exist for those amenities and they are not included with general facility admission.

		Current Fee		Proposed Fee	
		Out of County	In County	Out of County	In County
25 Visits	Adult (non-seniors 19 and older)	\$275	\$192.50	\$315	\$240
25 Visits	Youth / Student (5-24)	\$275	\$125.50	No Change	\$165
25 Visits	Senior (Age 65 or older)	\$275	\$125.50	No Change	\$165
25 Visits	Fairfax County Employees	NA	\$178	NA	No Change

Rec Center Annual Memberships

The proposed adjustments to the multi-household membership are designed as part of a phased increase over the next three years. While the first and second member rates remain competitive. Staff propose a realignment of the three through eight person members to better match service value and market benchmarks. The total cost rises from \$2,500 per eight-person membership to \$3,067 per eight-person membership, representing the long-term strategy to strengthen financial sustainability while still offering shared membership opportunities for households. Additionally, youth and senior memberships are adjusted modestly, with the two-person rate increasing from \$1,080 to \$1,100, ensuring fairness across age groups while maintaining affordability

The proposed adjustments for the same household membership (best thought of as a family discount) are intended to bring fees in line with the market while keeping the cost of the first and second members stable. By modestly increasing fees for the three through eight-person membership, the structure better reflects the value of services while distributing costs more equitably across larger households. The overall increase of \$35 annually is minimal compared to the total membership cost, ensuring affordability remains intact. Maintaining no change for youth, seniors, and the first two members balances accessibility with financial sustainability.

Annual Membership – Multi Household

	Current Fee	Proposed Fee
1 Person	\$700	No Change
2 Person	\$1,200	No Change
3 Person	\$1,500	\$1,567
4 Person	\$1,700	\$1,867
5 Person	\$1,900	\$2,167
6 Person	\$2,100	\$2,467
7 Person	\$2,300	\$2,767
8 Person	\$2,500	\$3,067
Youth/Senior – 1 Person	\$630	No Change
Youth/Senior -2 Person	\$1,080	\$1,100

Annual Membership – Same Household

	Current Fee	Proposed Fee
1 Person	\$700	No Change
2 Person	\$1,100	No Change
3 Person	\$1,200	\$1,210
4 Person	\$1,235	\$1,250
5 Person	\$1,270	\$1,290
6 Person	\$1,305	\$1,330

7 Person	\$1,340	\$1,370
8 Person	\$1,375	\$1,410
Youth/Senior – 1 Person	\$630	No Change
Youth/Senior -2 Person	\$990	No Change

Rec Center Memberships – Recurring Billing Memberships

The proposed fee adjustments for the recurring billing - multi-household recurring memberships introduce modest increases for the second through eighth members to better reflect the value of access provided. While the single person membership remains unchanged, additional members rise incrementally. This is designed to align Rec Center membership pricing with broader economic trends and ensure long-term sustainability. Youth and senior memberships remain largely stable, with no change recommended for the first person and a modest increase for a two-person membership, maintaining accessibility for priority age groups while gradually adapting to economic conditions.

The fee structure for the recurring billing – same household membership was last updated in 2020, and membership trends have remained consistent since that time. Over the past four years, the multi-person membership has continued to serve as one of the most utilized options, accommodating both families and small groups. Staff review determined that the existing rates remain competitive and equitable, supporting accessibility without requiring further adjustments at this time. As such, no changes are proposed for the 1st through 8th person or youth/senior memberships, ensuring continued affordability while encouraging exercise adherence, community building, and healthy lifestyles.

Recurring Billing Membership – Multi Household

Reflects bi-weekly charge

	Current Fee	Proposed Fee
1 Person	\$29	No Change
2 Person	\$51	\$53
3 Person	\$64	\$70
4 Person	\$73	\$83
5 Person	\$82	\$96
6 Person	\$91	\$109
7 Person	\$100	\$122
8 Person	\$109	\$135
Youth/Senior – 1 Person	\$27	No Change
Youth/Senior -2 Person	\$47	\$48

Gymnasium Rentals

The proposed adjustments to gymnasium rental fees reflect a 20% increase across all facility sizes to align with current market value and increased demand. These adjustments ensure that rental rates remain competitive with comparable facilities while supporting the continued maintenance and operational costs associated with high-demand spaces.

	Current Fee	Proposed Fee
Small (less than 12,000 sq.ft)	\$132	\$158
Medium (12,001 - 17,000 sq.ft)	\$192.50	\$231
Large (17,001+ sq.ft)	\$253	\$304

Racquetball Court Reservation

The proposed \$5 increase reflects a market rate adjustment to keep racquetball court reservation fees competitive with similar facilities while supporting ongoing maintenance and operational costs. This fee applies to those wishing to reserve racquetball courts. This fee is waived for Rec Center Members, defined as Annual or Recurring Billing Membership holders.

	Current Fee	Proposed Fee
Racquetball court reservation fee (10-hours)	\$35	\$40

Room Rental

The proposed adjustments to room rental fees reflect modest increases of \$5 across all size categories. These changes are based on market rate increases and growing demand for rental spaces, ensuring that fees remain competitive while addressing operational costs tied to facility use.

	Current	Proposed
less than 500 sq.ft	\$65	\$70
501 - 1000 sq. ft	\$70	\$75
1,001 - 1,500 sq. ft	\$80	\$85
More than 1,500 sq.ft	\$95	\$100

After Hour Supplemental Fee	\$100	\$105
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Water Mine

The proposed fee adjustments for The Water Mine reflect market conditions, increased demand for group reservations, and the need for consistency across park facilities. Staff propose introducing an out of county group admission rate to align with the successful introduction of an out of county single admission in 2025. In addition, staff have identified additional rental opportunities for the shade structures, Top Railer and Shoofly. These new offerings provide guests with greater flexibility and comfort while generating revenue to support operational sustainability.

	Current		Proposed	
	Mon- Fri	Weekends & Holidays	Mon-Fri	Weekends & Holidays
Admissions	Out of County/In County	Out of County/In County	Out of County/In County	Out of County/In County
Group Rate per individual	\$13.50/ NA	\$15.75/ NA	\$14.50/\$13.50	\$16.75/\$15.75
Shade Structures	Full Day Prime / Non Prime	Half Day Prime / None Prime	Full Day Prime / Non Prime	Half Day Prime / Non Prime
Top Railer - Off Season	NA	NA	\$215/\$150	\$150/\$100
Shoofly A & B	NA	NA	\$450/\$400	\$310/\$225

Permits and Field Rentals

The proposed adjustments to commercial photography, alcoholic beverage permit, and multipurpose area rental fees address both the length of time since the last increases and growing demand for these services. The recommended commercial photography permit rise reflects the fact that the fee has not been raised since 2015 despite increased use of public park spaces for private professional gain.

Similarly, staff recommend the alcoholic beverage permit fee increase, marking the first adjustment since 2017. These changes ensure that fees keep pace with demand while

supporting the ongoing maintenance and stewardship of facilities used for commercial and specialized activities.

Staff recommend the outdoor multipurpose area rental fees at Lake Fairfax Park increase to align with market rates and support the upkeep of high-demand outdoor space.

	Current	Proposed
Alcoholic Beverage Permit	\$200/event	\$225/event
Outdoor Multipurpose Area Rentals – Lake Fairfax Park (per field)	\$30/hour	\$35/hour

Picnic Area Reservations

The proposed adjustments to reservable picnic areas, picnic shelters, amphitheater rental fees, and sport courts focus on creating consistency across facilities while addressing market demand and operational costs. Modest increases are introduced for small shelters at parks, bringing them in line with comparable sites that offer similar amenities. Staff recommend the introduction of rental fees at locations that are newly available to reflect the value of county resources and the growing use of these spaces. Amphitheater fees adjustments are recommended to help offset the upkeep costs associated with these high-demand venues. In addition, staff recommend the introduction of seasonal or non-prime adjustments where appropriate. This expands rental opportunities while better managing use throughout the year. Overall, these changes improve fairness across the park system, establish fees where none existed, cover the costs of operations, and prioritize quality facilities, all while maintaining affordability for families, community groups, and small-scale events.

NC = No Change

Location	Feature	Current		Proposed	
		Full Day Prime/Non- Prime	Half Day Prime/Non- Prime	Full Day Prime/Non- Prime	Half Day Prime/Non- Prime
Colvin Run Mill	Picnic Area	\$70/\$55	NA	\$80/\$65	NA
Frying Pan Park	Picnic Area	\$70/\$60	\$60/\$55	\$100/\$75	\$75/\$60
Lake Accotink Park – Area 1	Picnic Area	\$130/\$100	\$100/\$75	\$140/NC	NC/NC

Lake Accotink Park – Area 2, 3	Picnic Area	\$110/\$85	\$85/\$55	\$120/\$90	\$90/\$65
Lake Accotink Park – Area 4	Picnic Area	\$100/\$75	\$75/\$50	NC/NC	NC/\$60
Lake Fairfax Park – Area 1	Picnic Area	\$110/\$80	\$80/\$60	\$140/\$90	\$90/\$65
Lake Fairfax Park – Area 2,3,4,5	Picnic Area	\$95/\$70	\$70/\$50	\$100/\$75	\$75/\$60
Lewis High Park	Picnic Area	\$70/\$55	NA	\$100/\$75	NA
Mason District Park	Picnic Area	\$70/\$55	NA	\$100/\$75	NA
Spring Lane Park	Picnic Area	NA	NA	\$70/\$55	NA
Springfield Overlook	Picnic Area	\$240/\$180	NA	\$540/\$480	NA

Shelters

Location	Feature	Current		Proposed		
		Prime Full Day	Non-Prime Full Day	Prime Full Day	Non-Prime Full Day	Two-Hour
Backlick Park	Picnic Shelter	NA	NA	\$85	\$60	NA
Braddock Park	Picnic Shelter	\$85	\$60	\$100	\$70	NA
Bruin Park	Picnic Shelter	NA	NA	\$85	\$60	NA
Dowden Terrace	Picnic Shelter	NA	NA	\$85	\$60	NA
Eakin Community Park & Mantua Section & Prosperity Road	Picnic Shelter	\$85	\$50	NC	\$60	NA
Frying Pan	Picnic Shelter	\$345	\$235	\$355	\$245	NA
Great Falls Grange Park	Picnic Shelter	\$90	\$70	\$100	\$80	NA
Hidden Pond A	Picnic Shelter	\$50	\$40	\$150	\$100	\$110
Hidden Pond B	Picnic Shelter	\$75	\$55	\$150	\$100	\$110
Hogge Park	Picnic Shelter	\$80	\$60	\$85	NC	NA
Laurel Hill Central Green A, B, C	Picnic Shelter	\$255	\$155	\$270	\$170	NA
Laurel Hill Central Green D	Picnic Shelter	\$340	\$230	\$355	\$245	NA

Levelle Dupell Park	Picnic Shelter	\$90	\$60	\$100	\$80	NA
Mason District Park A	Picnic Shelter	\$160	\$125	\$180	NC	NA
Mason District Park B	Picnic Shelter	\$105	\$80	\$115	NC	NA
Mount Eagle Park	Picnic Shelter	\$85	\$60	\$100	\$70	NA
Nottoway Park B	Picnic Shelter	\$85	\$70	\$100	\$80	NA
Richard W. Jones Park	Picnic Shelter	NA	NA	\$85	\$60	NA
Ruckstuhl Park	Picnic Shelter	\$70	\$55	\$85	\$60	NA
Stuart Road Park	Picnic Shelter	\$80	\$60	\$85	NC	NA
Tysons Pimmit Park	Picnic Shelter	\$80	\$60	\$85	NC	NA

Amphitheaters - Hourly

Location	Feature	Current		Proposed	
		Prime	Non-Prime	Prime	Non-Prime
Burke Lake Park	Amphitheater	\$25	\$15	\$30	\$20
Cables Mill	Amphitheater	\$25	\$15	\$30	\$20
Ellanor C Lawrence Park	Amphitheater	\$25	\$15	\$30	\$20
Franconia Rec Center	Amphitheater	\$55	\$30	\$65	NC
Hidden Pond	Amphitheater	\$25	\$15	\$30	\$20

Athletic Court Reservations - Hourly

Location	Feature	Current		Proposed	
		Prime	Non-Prime	Prime	Non-Prime
Greenbriar Commons	Volleyball Court	NA	NA	\$35	\$30
Hollin Park	Volleyball Court	NA	NA	\$35	\$30
Hybla Valley Park	Futsal Court	NA	NA	\$20	\$15
Mt. Vernon Woods Park	Futsal Court	NA	NA	\$20	\$15

Resource Management

Equestrian

Frying Pan Farm Park- Equestrian Facilities Rental Fees. Staff recommend the following adjustments to rental fees. The proposed fees are based on a combination of increased demand, market rate pricing, growing costs for facility coordination and administration, maintenance and indoor arena improvements. Elimination is recommended for the Instructor Passes and Outdoor Arena Non-Prime as they are not fees used by the park. Equestrian fees were last adjusted in 2021.

Equestrian Facilities at Frying Pan Farm Park		
	CURRENT	PROPOSED
Hourly Rental (Indoor Arena)	\$115	\$125
Half-Day Rental (Indoor Arena)	\$250	\$325
Daily Rental – Prime (Indoor Arena)	\$500	\$575
Daily Rental – Non-Prime (Indoor Arena)	\$375	\$450
Individual Rider Day Pass	\$15	\$20
Instructor Day Pass	\$25	ELIMINATE
Individual Rider Annual Pass	\$200	NO CHANGE
Individual Rider Quarterly Pass	\$55	\$60
Instructor Annual Pass	\$300	ELIMINATE
Daily Rental – Prime (Outdoor)	\$200	NO CHANGE
Daily Rental – Non-Prime (Outdoor)	\$150	ELIMINATE
Half-Day Rental (Outdoor)	\$125	NO CHANGE
Stall Rental, per day	\$20	\$22
Cross Country Course – exclusive use	\$350	NO CHANGE

	1. Arena rentals are half price for nonprofit educational youth groups (groups must contain at least five participants under the age of 19). 2. A full day is 8 am to 6 pm, a half day is either 8 am to 1 pm or 1 pm to 6 pm. Any additional hour or portion thereof will be billed at the hourly rate. 3) Availability: Monday – Thursday, 5 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. Light refreshments allowed. Kitchen not accessible.	1. Full or half day rentals of the Indoor Arena are discounted 25% for nonprofit educational youth groups. (Groups must contain at least 5 participants under the age of 19.) 2. Full day rentals are 12 hours long and are offered between 7am-9pm. Half Day rentals may not exceed 6 hours and take place between 7am-2pm or 3pm-9pm. 3. Prime time rentals are Friday-Sunday and Holidays. Non-prime rentals are Monday-Thursday.
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2. Full day rentals are 12 hours long and are offered between 7am-9pm. Half Day rentals may not exceed 6 hours and take place between 7am-2pm or 3pm-9pm.
3. Prime-time rentals are Friday-Sunday and Holidays. Non-prime rentals are Monday-Thursday.

Garden Plot

Staff recommend the following fee adjustments for the garden plots program in calendar year 2026 to address rising operational costs. Several garden plots, now over 30 years old, are facing increased maintenance needs, including tree work and invasive species management that lead to shading and encroachment on plots. Additionally, water costs have risen by 25.5% over the past five years, prompting a higher fee adjustment for plots with water access to help offset these expenses.

Garden plot fees were last adjusted in 2021. The proposed adjustments represent modest increases: 7% or \$10.00 for large plots with water, 4% or \$5.00 for large plots without water, and 6% or \$5.00 for Hogge Park raised beds with water. These changes are designed to reflect actual service costs while maintaining affordability.

	CURRENT	PROPOSED
Garden Plot, Full Plot 20x30, w/ water availability	\$140	\$150
Garden Plot, Full Plot 20x30, w/out water availability	\$135	\$140
Garden Plot, Small Plot 6x9	\$80	\$85

Rental Fee

Rental Fee adjustments for the White Gazebo and Patio and Pond Gazebo Rentals at Green Spring Gardens: Staff recommend adjusting the rental fees for the White Gazebo and Patio and the Pond Gazebo. Both gazebos are very popular rental spaces for Green Spring Gardens, averaging 120 rentals each year. The last fee increase was approved in 2020. Based on the high demand, increase in administrative time/costs and wear and tear on the spaces, Green Spring Gardens recommends a fee adjustment noted below:

White Gazebo and Patio Space 2 Hour Base Rental

CURRENT	PROPOSED
\$250	\$300

White Gazebo and Patio Space Additional Hour Rental

CURRENT	PROPOSED
\$125	\$150

Pond Gazebo Space 2 Hour Base Rental

CURRENT	PROPOSED
\$225	\$275

Pond Gazebo Space Additional Hour Rental

CURRENT	PROPOSED
\$112	\$138

Rental Fee adjustments for Multi-Purpose Room Rental at Green Spring Gardens: Staff recommend adjusting the rental fees for the Multi-Purpose Room (MPR) at Green Spring Gardens. The MPR is undergoing renovations to include an upgrade to the audio/visual system which will improve the sound system and digital projector allowing for both in-person and virtual meetings. Green Spring Gardens has increased cleaning maintenance on this space that include carpet cleaning, painting, window shade repairs and table replacements.

Additionally, staff recommend adding a Kitchen Rental option for the MPR. Due to the improvements and enhancements as well as the wear and tear on the space, Green Spring Gardens recommends adding a two-hour minimum base rental and increasing the additional per hour fee as noted below:

Multi-Purpose Room Rental 2 Hour Base Rental

CURRENT	PROPOSED
\$220	\$300

Multi-Purpose Room Rental Additional Hour Rental

CURRENT	PROPOSED
\$110	\$150

Kitchen Rental 2 Hour Base Rental

CURRENT

\$25

PROPOSED

\$50

Hidden Pon Nature Center Pond View Room Rental. Staff recommend adjusting the rental rate to \$100 per hour, with a minimum rental time of 2 hours, for both weekends and weekdays. This adjustment takes into consideration the staff time required to monitor the room rental (including opening and closing the building as applicable) and any needed cleaning and trash removal between rentals (our cleaning service comes 3 times per week).

Furthermore, given the frequent use of Forest View for concurrent programs, we recommend simplifying the rental process by only offering the more recently constructed and AV-equipped Pond View room for rentals.

	CURRENT	PROPOSED
Pond View Room (2-hour rental)	\$180 (prime) or \$144 (non prime) for 2 hours; \$90 (prime) or \$72 (non prime) each additional hour	\$200 for 2 hours (flat); \$100 each additional hour (flat)

Lakefronts

Fishing Kayaks

Burke Lake Park is focusing on offering rowboats and canoes. The fishing kayaks were not popular, and we are recommending that the fee be **eliminated**.

	CURRENT Week/Weekend	PROPOSED Week/Weekend
Fishing Kayak (Half Day)	\$28/\$32	Eliminate
Fishing Kayak (Full Day)	\$40/\$45	Eliminate

Pedal Boat Hourly Rental

Pedal boat operations are now limited to Lake Fairfax Park and are the dominant rental type at the marina. The fees were last adjusted in 2023. A recent benchmark of surrounding providers found that nearby Lake Anne offers 4-person pedal boats for \$35/hour. Lake Ridge Marina in Prince William County raised their pedal boat fees in 2025 for both 2 and 4 person boats from \$9 to \$15.

	CURRENT Week/Weekend	PROPOSED Week/Weekend
Pedal Boat (2-seat) 1 hour	\$15/\$16	\$18/\$20
Pedal Boat (4 seat) 1 hour	\$25/\$26	\$30/\$31

Miniature Golf

Miniature golf fees were last adjusted in 2021. A benchmark of local providers found that several organizations have raised their fees with a regional low of \$8 for adults and a high of \$14 for adults. Burke Lake and Lake Accotink have recently upgraded their courses with amplified music and new curbing/carpeting respectively. Given the improvements, benchmarking, and amount of time since the last increase, staff recommend adjusting the miniature golf fees.

FCPA may discount rates, based on the condition of the course. Unless otherwise noted, Miniature Golf rates apply to Burke Lake Park, Oakmont Rec Center, and Jefferson District Park.

	CURRENT	PROPOSED
	Week/Weekend	Week/Weekend
Miniature Golf- Adults	\$8/\$9	\$9/\$10
Miniature Golf- Jr./Sr.	\$7/\$8	\$8/\$9
Miniature Golf- Group Rate Adults	\$7/\$8	\$8/\$9
Miniature Golf- Group Rate Jr./Sr.	\$6/\$7	\$7/\$8
Miniature Golf- Private Rental + Greens Fees	\$100 + Greens Fees	NA
Lake Accotink Miniature Golf- Adults	\$5/\$6	\$6/\$7
Lake Accotink Miniature Golf- Jr./Sr.	\$4/\$5	\$5/\$6
Lake Accotink Second 9-holes	\$3/\$3	\$4/\$4
Lake Accotink Miniature Golf- Group Rate Adults	\$4/\$5	\$5/\$6
Lake Accotink Miniature Golf- Group Rate Jr./Sr.	\$3/\$4	\$4/\$5
Lake Accotink Miniature Golf- Private Rental + Greens Fees	\$65 + Greens Fees	NA

Boat Launch Seasonal Pass

Boat launch fees were last adjusted in 2023. Several regional boating operations were benchmarked and annual fees for 'walk up' or non-trailed boats range from \$23 to \$65. Annual fees for trailered boats range from \$90 to \$130. Staff recommend that we increase both our daily and seasonal boat pass fees and that the current 'seasonal pass' be renamed to 'Annual Boat Launch Pass'. Although the pass has been year-round, calling it 'seasonal pass' caused confusion so we would like to rename it 'Annual'. The Annual Boat Launch Pass would be valid from January 1 through December 31 for each calendar year. The Annual Boat Launch Pass would be valid at Lake Accotink Park, Lake Fairfax Park, Burke Lake Park, and Riverbend Park.

	CURRENT	PROPOSED
	Week/Weekend	Week/Weekend
Seasonal Boat Pass	\$40	Rename to: Annual Boat Launch Pass \$60
Daily Boat Launch Fee	\$6	\$8

Tour Boat Rides

The tour boats at Lake Fairfax Park (LFP) and Lake Accotink Park (LAP) are not operable. FCPA does not plan to re-establish the tour boat fleet at these locations. We recommend that Lake Fairfax and Lake Accotink be removed from the list of parks in Tour Boat Rides in the fee schedule.