



Office of the City Manager

PUBLIC HEARING  
May 19, 2026

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council  
 From: Paul Buddenhagen, City Manager  
 Submitted by: Scott Ferris, Director, Parks, Recreation, & Waterfront  
 Subject: Changes to Selected Recreation Facilities and Program Fees

RECOMMENDATION

Conduct a public hearing and upon conclusion, adopt a Resolution approving new fees and increasing current fees for select recreation programs and facility rentals; and rescinding Resolution No. 72,094-N.S. and all amendatory resolutions.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

The proposed new fees and fee increases will provide additional revenue to offset the operation and maintenance costs associated with Summer Fun Camp, sports field lighting, sports field user fees at Gilman and Harrison parks, and park rentals for picnic sites, weddings and bounce houses. Funding for these recreation programs and facilities comes from the General Fund, Parks Tax Fund, and Sports Field Operations Fund. These fees are included as a part of the Parks, Recreation & Waterfront Department’s FY27-28 budget reduction proposals, and if not approved, will trigger additional reductions. Proposed fee increase revenue will be deposited into the appropriate fund as described below.

These fee increases will raise an estimated \$252,315 next year to help offset program and park rental site maintenance costs (see Table 1). The revenue assumptions below are based on resident fees; non-resident fees are generally 20% higher. Note that for the Tom Bates Regional Sports Complex (Gilman Fields) sports field reservations, resident fees are applied to groups from any of the five cities participating in the Joint Powers Agreement that governs the sports complex: Albany, Berkeley, Emeryville, El Cerrito, and Richmond.

**Table 1 - Summary of Estimated Annual Increase in Revenue**

Fee	General Fund (011)	Sports Field Operations (113)	Parks Tax Fund (138)	Total
Sports Field User Fees: Gilman/Harrison		\$165,029		<b>\$165,030</b>
Sports Field Lighting Fees			\$26,370	<b>\$26,370</b>
Summer Fun Camp	\$52,615			<b>\$52,615</b>
Picnic Site Rentals			\$5,650	<b>\$5,650</b>
Wedding Venue Fees			\$2,350	<b>\$2,350</b>
Bounce House Permits			\$300	<b>\$300</b>

Fee	General Fund (011)	Sports Field Operations (113)	Parks Tax Fund (138)	Total
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>\$252,315</b>

The Sports Field Operations Fund is projected to need an additional \$30,000/year in revenue to continue to cover maintenance and operation costs currently borne by the Fund, as well as \$75,000 annual transfers to the turf replacement fund. An additional \$201,500 is needed to offset Gilman and Harrison field costs that are currently paid by the Parks Tax. These include staffing, toilets at Gilman, utilities at Harrison, and supplies and equipment at both fields. The Parks Tax Fund does not have sufficient fund balance to continue to carry these full costs, as reserves are projected to be near 5% of revenues over the next budget cycle, limiting the Fund's capacity to absorb unforeseen issues that arise. Revenue from the projected fee increases will not close this gap but will significantly reduce it.

While Summer Fun Camps were already increased once this year (by \$15/week for the core program), an additional \$35/week fee increase is needed as part of the Parks, Recreation & Waterfront Department General Fund balancing measures to address the Citywide General Fund deficit. This is estimated to generate \$52,615 in General Fund revenue. Even with this increase, program fees remain substantially lower than other summer camp programs in Berkeley; and similar to subsidized summer programs in neighboring cities.

Revenue generated from sports field lighting (other than Gilman and Harrison fields), picnic site rentals, wedding venue fees and bounce house permits will be deposited in the Parks Tax. It will be used to offset the City's utilities costs at sports fields, which operate during peak hours for PG&E pricing. Rental fees will be used to offset the costs of maintaining and operating those park sites.

**CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS**

On January 20, 2026, Council adopted an updated fee schedule for the Recreation Division programs (Resolution No. 72,049-N.S.). The City regularly reviews all recreation fees in an effort to keep programs and facilities accessible to residents while accounting for increased costs to deliver those services. Unless otherwise noted, fee changes described below are proposed to go into effect May 20, 2026.

**Sports Field Lighting Fee**

A \$15/hour lighting surcharge was added for the sports fields at Tom Bates Regional Sports Complex (Gilman Fields) and Harrison Park (Gabe's Fields) in 2024 (Resolution No. 71,356). At the time, the increase was limited to these fields that are managed out of the cost-recovery Sports Field Operations Fund. The surcharge was incorporated into field rental fees only during evening periods, adjusted seasonally for daylight savings. Revenue from that surcharge offset the City's electricity costs at these peak usage times.

To absorb the continued increases in PG&E costs over the past 2 years, that surcharge is proposed to increase to \$18/hour, and to be incorporated into rental fields for all City sports fields with lights, including those managed out of the Parks Tax. Additional field rental fees are proposed for Gilman and Gabe's Fields, as described below. No additional field rental fees are proposed for all other City sports field at this time. The tables in Attachment 1 demonstrate that even with the proposed increases, Berkeley rental rates are similar to those being charged in

neighboring cities. Given the timing of field permits, lighting-related fee increases will be effective July 1, 2026.

### **Sports Field User Fees**

Fees for sports field rentals at Gilman and Gabe's Fields were last increased in May 2024, (Resolution No. 71,356). Since then, costs to operate and maintain those fields have increased, and fee revenue is not sufficient to cover costs plus the \$75,000 annual transfer to set-aside funds for turf replacement, as required by the five-city Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) between Albany, Berkeley, El Cerrito, Emeryville and Richmond governing the Tom Bates Regional Sports Complex.

Per that agreement, at least \$75,000/year in field rental revenue is annually transferred out from the Sports Field Operations Fund to the turf replacement fund, to set aside capital funds for the synthetic turf replacement, a project needed every 8-10 years. Though the synthetic turf was most recently replaced in 2018, annual investments in turf maintenance are estimated to extend that replacement date to 2029-2030. Without additional fee increases, operating revenue from Gilman and Gabe's Fields is not sufficient to cover that \$75,000 transfer. An estimated \$30,000/year in new revenue is needed in FY27 and FY28 to close that gap.

Additionally, there are multiple costs for these fields that have been paid by the Parks Tax due to insufficient funding in the Sports Field Operations Fund. These include landscape maintenance and groundskeeping staff, Gilman portable toilets, and Harrison utilities and equipment, and are estimated to cost \$201,500 in FY27. The Parks Tax no longer has the capacity to absorb all of these costs, and costs need to shift to the Sports Field Operations Fund.

Field rental fee increases are needed to offset this estimated \$231,500 in annual cost (\$30,000/year to close existing operating gap plus \$201,500 for field costs formerly covered by the Parks Tax). Fees for youth non-profit groups are proposed to increase 42% for grass fields and 60% for synthetic turf fields; and fees for adult and all other groups are proposed to increase 11% for grass fields and 25% for synthetic turf fields. While these increases are significant, especially for youth non-profit groups, as shown in Attachment 1, youth rates will continue to be lower than most neighboring cities.

The proposed sports field fee increases will be introduced gradually, with an initial increase effective July 1, 2026 in advance of Fall and Winter season permits; and a second increase effective January 1, 2027 in advance of Spring and Summer season permits, (see Attachment 1). The field and lighting increases are projected to generate an additional \$131,705 in FY27 and \$165,029/year starting in FY28. While this will not fully cover field costs, it will offset costs currently borne by the Parks Tax and allow for continued annual \$75,000 transfers to the Turf Replacement Fund. To recover the full field costs, additional fee increases will likely be needed in the next budget cycle.

### **Additional Sports Field Updates**

Two additional updates are included in the fee schedule related to sports fields. The "Field Monitor" cost related to sports field penalties and violations is updated from \$25/hour, which no

longer covers the City’s hourly staffing costs, to “actual costs”. This enables the City to recover costs without updating the fee schedule annually to reflect changes in City staff costs.

An additional change included in the attached fee schedule is to remove the reference to a 50% discount for weekday slots, which was a provision created prior to there being sufficient demand for fields at that time. That is no longer the case, and so this incentive is no longer needed.

**Summer Fun Camp**

Summer Fun Camps are community center-based, subsidized programs offered during the summer for youth ages 5-12. They are funded out of the General Fund. Program fees were increased in January 2026 by 10%, equivalent to a \$15 increase per week for the core program. Due to additional budget constraints, a further fee increase is required as a Parks, Recreation and Waterfront Department budget-balancing measure. Revenue generated from Summer Fun Camps will be deposited into the General Fund.

The proposed fee for Core program (9am-3pm) will increase from \$165/week to \$200/week; the fee for AM care (8-9am) will increase from \$27.50/week to \$35/week; and the fee for PM care (3-6pm) will increase from \$82.50/week to \$100/week. As shown in the table below, these fees are similar to those in neighboring cities.

**Table 2. Comparison of local subsidized camp programs**

<b>Agency</b>	<b>Fee</b>
City of San Pablo	\$90
Oakland Town Camp	\$158
<b><i>Berkeley Summer Fun Camp (Current)</i></b>	<b>\$165</b>
City of Emeryville	\$199
<b><i>Berkeley Summer Fun Camp (Proposed)</i></b>	<b>\$200</b>
City of Richmond	\$207
City of Hercules (Camp Dynamite)	\$271
Friendship Summer Camp (Albany)	\$390

Note: This analysis compares the per session rate for a single Summer Fun Camp enrollment during primary program periods for a 5-day session Monday through Friday. Agencies are all comparative in services, activities and locations provided per registration.

**Picnic Site Rentals**

Four new reservable picnic sites are proposed to respond to increased demand for reservable picnic sites in these parks. Proposed fees are based on rates for similar picnic sites in Berkeley. Picnic site fees offset the costs of maintenance, managing reservations and employees who ensure reservations are appropriate and safe. Picnic site rental revenue will be deposited in the Parks Tax Fund.

**Table 3. New Reservable Picnic Sites**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Unit of Measure</b>	<b>Resident</b>	<b>Non-Resident</b>
Berkeley Rose Garden Area 1	4-hours	\$50	\$60
Berkeley Rose Garden Area 2	4-hours	\$50	\$60

Location	Unit of Measure	Resident	Non-Resident
Charlie Dorr Mini Park Area 1	4-hours	\$33	\$40
George Florence Mini Park Area 1	4-hours	\$33	\$40

**Bounce House Permit Fee**

Bounce house permits are issued in an effort to reduce injuries and liability of inflatastructures in the City parks. The fee for bounce house permits is proposed to increase from \$30 to \$40 for a 4-hr period. The increase is needed to offset the cost of staff to verify insurance, monitor reservations, and address damage to turf that occurs with bounce house wear and tear.

**Wedding Venue Fee**

City parks provide relatively low-cost and unique settings for weddings and are currently reservable at the Rose Garden, Cragmont Park, Live Oak Park, John Hinkel Park and several Waterfront areas. Two new wedding locations are proposed to be added: Aquatic Park at the covered lagoon pier on the east side of the park, and the Redwood Grove at Codornices Park. Increases in existing fees are proposed for the Rose Garden, which is proposed to increase by 15% to cover increased costs. The fee would be \$1,150 for a 4-hour period, plus \$196 per additional hour. Revenue from these fees offset the preparation and maintenance of the site.

**Table 4. Updates to Wedding Venue Rentals**

Location	Unit of Measure	Resident	Non-Resident
Aquatic Park – Covered Lagoon Pier (new)	Hour	\$250	\$300
Codornices Park – Redwood Grove (new)	4-hours	\$450	\$540
Rose Garden (existing; current fee is \$1,000 for resident; \$1,200 for non-resident)	4-hours	\$1,150	\$1,380
Rose Garden (additional hour) (existing; current fee is \$170 for resident; \$195 for non-resident)	Per hour	\$196	\$235

**Park Special Events**

Until recently, the City not only reviewed and permitted events, but also staffed them on behalf of the City in order to manage unforeseen issues in real time. This service was provided free of charge to event applicants. The City no longer has the capacity to provide this service free of charge to the community. Going forward, all Park special events will be required to pay the current special fee event, \$700 deposit, as well as pass-through costs for staff to monitor the event.

**BACKGROUND**

The Parks, Recreation and Waterfront Department’s annual operational budget (excluding capital improvement projects) is approximately \$42 million. It is primarily supported by four funds: the Parks Tax, the Marina Fund, the Camps Fund, and the General Fund. The Recreation Division relies predominantly on the General Fund and the Camps Fund to support its programs. Program fees offset the costs associated with program delivery, facility operations, and ongoing maintenance. Fees for programs and reservations tied to the self-supporting

Camps Fund, Parks Tax, Marina Fund and Sports Field Operations Funds are used to cover the costs of providing these services.

The proposed fees were brought before the Parks, Recreation & Waterfront Commission on February 11, 2026 and March 11, 2026 at their regular meetings. Staff presented fees to field user groups at meetings on April 14, 2026 and April 21, 2026.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY AND CLIMATE IMPACTS

The proposed fee increases will support sustainability in these recreation programs which provide direct and indirect environmental benefits. Recreation programs connect the community with the environment, emphasize the importance of environmental stewardship, and teach youth and community members about our local environmental resources and how to preserve them.

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Attachments:

1. Fee Comparisons
2. Recreation Fees: Current vs. Proposed
3. Resolution
  - Exhibit A: Fee Schedule
  - Exhibit B: Scholarships and Special Use Rental Policy
4. Notice of Public Hearing

## Athletic Field Fee Comparisons

GRASS - YOUTH No Lights	Res/Hr	NR/Hr
Albany USD	N/A	N/A
Emeryville	N/A	N/A
Oakland (+ \$5 per Youth per season)	\$1.00	\$25.00
Hayward	\$14.00	\$40.00
Albany	\$20.00	\$31.00
<b>Berkeley - City fields - current</b>	<b>\$18.00</b>	<b>\$21.50</b>
<b>Berkeley – Gilman/Gabes Current</b>	<b>\$18.00</b>	<b>\$21.50</b>
Fremont	\$25.00	\$56.00
<b>Berkeley – Gilman/Gabes Proposed</b>	<b>\$25.50</b>	<b>\$31.00</b>
Union City	\$28.00	\$33.00
Richmond	\$28.00	N/A
San Francisco	\$42.00	\$108.00

GRASS - YOUTH w / Lights	Res/hr	NR/Hr
Albany USD	N/A	N/A
Emeryville	N/A	N/A
Oakland (+ \$5 per Youth per season)	\$16.00	\$40.00
<b>Berkeley - City fields - current</b>	<b>\$18.00</b>	<b>\$21.50</b>
<b>Berkeley – Gilman/Gabes Current</b>	<b>\$33.00</b>	<b>\$40.00</b>
Albany	\$39.00	\$47.00
<b>Berkeley – Gilman/Gabes Proposed</b>	<b>\$43.50</b>	<b>\$52.00</b>
Hayward	\$44.00	\$44.00
Richmond	\$49.00	N/A
Fremont	\$50.00	\$81.00
Union City	\$60.50	\$65.50
San Francisco	\$71.00	\$134.00

GRASS – ADULT No Lights	Rate/Hr	NR/Hr
Emeryville	N/A	N/A
Fremont	\$25.00	\$56.00
Union City	\$28.00	\$33.00
Albany	\$29.00	\$44.00
<b>Berkeley - City fields - current</b>	<b>\$36.00</b>	<b>\$43.00</b>
Richmond	\$41.00	N/A
<b>Berkeley – Gilman/Gabes Current</b>	<b>\$41.50</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>
San Francisco	\$42.00	\$108.00
<b>Berkeley – Gilman/Gabes Proposed</b>	<b>\$46.00</b>	<b>\$55.00</b>
Oakland	\$55.00	\$60.00
Hayward	\$60.00	\$70.00

GRASS – ADULTS w / LIGHTS	Rate/hr	NR/Hr
Emeryville	N/A	N/A
<b>Berkeley - City fields - current</b>	<b>\$36.00</b>	<b>\$43.00</b>
Albany	\$46.00	\$58.00
Fremont	\$50.00	\$81.00
<b>Berkeley – Gilman/Gabes Current</b>	<b>\$56.50</b>	<b>\$68.00</b>
Union City	\$60.50	\$65.50
Richmond	\$62.00	N/A
<b>Berkeley – Gilman/Gabes Proposed</b>	<b>\$64.00</b>	<b>\$77.00</b>
Oakland	\$70.00	\$75.00
San Francisco	\$71.00	\$134.00
Hayward	\$95.00	\$105.00

## Athletic Field Fee Comparisons (Cont.)

SYNTHETIC FIELDS	Rate/Hr	NR/Hr
<b>YOUTH No Lights</b>		
<b>Berkeley - Gilman @ Current</b>	<b>\$25.00</b>	<b>\$30.00</b>
Hayward	\$30.00	\$30.00
<b>Berkeley - Gilman @ Proposed</b>	<b>\$40.00</b>	<b>\$48.00</b>
Oakland (+ \$5 per Youth per season)	\$40.00	\$55.00
Richmond	\$41.00	N/A
Albany USD	\$42.00	\$65.50
San Francisco	\$44.00	\$108.00
Emeryville	\$51.00	\$195.00
Union City	\$64.00	\$95.00
Fremont	\$125.00	\$235.00

SYNTHETIC FIELDS	Rate/hr	NR/Hr
<b>YOUTH w / LIGHTS</b>		
Albany USD	N/A	N/A
<b>Berkeley - Gilman @ Current</b>	<b>\$40.00</b>	<b>\$48.00</b>
<b>Berkeley - Gilman @ Proposed</b>	<b>\$58.00</b>	<b>\$70.00</b>
Emeryville	\$51.00	\$129.00
Oakland (+ \$5 per Youth per season)	\$55.00	\$70.00
Hayward	\$60.00	\$60.00
Richmond	\$62.00	N/A
San Francisco	\$71.00	\$134.00
Union City	\$96.50	\$127.50
Fremont	\$156.00	\$266.00

SYNTHETIC FIELDS	Rate/Hr	NR/Hr
<b>ADULT - No Lights</b>		
Albany USD	\$42.00	\$65.50
San Francisco	\$44.00	\$108.00
Richmond	\$51.00	N/A
Emeryville	\$51.00	\$195.00
<b>Berkeley - Gilman @ Current</b>	<b>\$52.25</b>	<b>\$62.75</b>
Union City	\$64.00	\$95.00
Hayward	\$65.00	\$75.00
<b>Berkeley - Gilman @ Proposed</b>	<b>\$65.50</b>	<b>\$79.00</b>
Oakland	\$70.00	\$75.00
Fremont	\$125.00	\$235.00

SYNTHETIC FIELDS	Rate/hr	NR/Hr
<b>ADULT - w / LIGHTS</b>		
Albany USD	N/A	N/A
Emeryville	\$51.00	\$129.00
<b>Berkeley - Gilman @ Current</b>	<b>\$67.25</b>	<b>\$80.75</b>
San Francisco	\$71.00	\$134.00
Richmond	\$72.00	N/A
<b>Berkeley - Gilman @ Proposed</b>	<b>\$83.50</b>	<b>\$100.00</b>
Oakland	\$85.00	\$90.00
Hayward	\$95.00	\$105.00
Union City	\$96.50	\$127.50
Fremont	\$156.00	\$266.00

**Recreation Fee Schedule: Current vs. Proposed**  
*Effective May 20, 2026 (unless otherwise noted below)*

Program Area	Unit of Measure	Resident (Current)	Resident (Proposed) (as of 7/1/26)	Resident (Proposed) (as of 1/1/27)	Non-Resident (Current)	Non-Resident (Proposed) (as of 7/1/26)	Non-Resident (Proposed) (as of 1/1/27)
<b>II. FACILITY RENTAL CHARGES</b>							
<b>2. City Athletic Fields</b>							
<b>A. Cedar Rose, Codornices, Glendale-La Loma, Grove, James Kenney, Ohlone, Rosa Parks, San Pablo, Thousand Oaks, Willard</b>							
Youth Non-Profit Leagues, with Lights	2-Hours	-	\$72	-	-	\$86	-
Adults, For-Profit, Private Schools, with Lights	2-Hours	-	\$108	-	-	\$130	-
<b>B. Gabe's Fields at Harrison Park, Natural Turf</b>							
Youth Non-Profit Leagues, No Lights	2-Hours	\$36	\$43.50	\$51	\$43	\$52	\$61
Adults, For-Profits, Private Schools, No Lights	2-Hours	\$83	\$87.50	\$92	\$100	\$105	\$110
Youth, Non-Profit Leagues, with Lights	2-Hours	\$66	\$79.50	\$87	\$80	\$95.50	\$104
Adults, For-Profits, Private Schools, with Lights	2-Hours	\$113	\$123.50	\$128	\$136	\$148	\$154
<b>C. Gilman Fields, Natural Turf</b>							
Youth Non-Profit Leagues, No Lights	2-Hours	\$36	\$43.50	\$51	\$43	\$52	\$61
Adults, For-Profits, Private Schools, No Lights	2-Hours	\$83	\$87.50	\$92	\$100	\$105	\$110
<b>D. Gilman Fields, Synthetic Turf</b>							
Youth Non-Profit Leagues, No Lights	2-Hours	\$50	\$65	\$80	\$60	\$78	\$96
Adults, For-Profits, Private Schools, No Lights	2-Hours	\$104.50	\$117.75	\$131	\$125.50	\$141	\$157
Youth, Non-Profit Leagues, with Lights	2-Hours	\$80	\$101	\$116	\$96	\$121	\$139
Adults, For-Profits, Private Schools, with Lights	2-Hours	\$134.50	\$153.75	\$167	\$161.50	\$184.50	\$200

Program Area	Unit of Measure	Resident (Current)	Resident (Proposed) (as of 7/1/26)	Resident (Proposed) (as of 1/1/27)	Non-Resident (Current)	Non-Resident (Proposed) (as of 7/1/26)	Non-Resident (Proposed) (as of 1/1/27)
<b>E. Sports Field User Fines (Policy Violations: Applicable to All Athletic Fields)</b>							
Field Monitor	Hourly	\$25	Actual cost	Actual cost	\$25	Actual cost	Actual cost
<b>F. Additional Rules (Applicable to All Athletic Fields)</b>							
Weekday slots used before 3:30pm throughout the year are discounted 50%			Removed	Removed		Removed	Removed
<b>G. Lighting Fee Times for Sports Fields</b>							
Fall Season (Mid-August – November)							6:00pm – 11:00pm
Winter Season (December – February)							4:30pm – 11:00pm
Spring Season (March – May)							7:30pm – 11:00pm
Summer Season (June – Mid-August)							9:00pm – 11:00pm

Program Area	Unit of Measure	Resident (Current)	Resident (Proposed)	Non-Resident (Current)	Non-Resident (Proposed)
<b>6. Picnic Areas (4-hour minimum)</b>					
Berkeley Rose Garden Area 1	4-hours	-	\$50	-	\$60
Berkeley Rose Garden Area 2	4-hours	-	\$50	-	\$60
Charlie Dorr Mini Park Area 1	4-hours	-	\$33	-	\$40
George Florence Mini Park Area 1	4-hours	-	\$33	-	\$40
Bounce House Permit	Per Use	\$30	\$40	\$36	\$48
<b>8. Weddings &amp; Events (4-hour minimum)</b>					
<b>A. Rose Garden</b>					
Rental	4-Hours	\$1,000	\$1,150	\$1,200	\$1,380
Each Additional Hour (after 4 hours)	Hour	\$170	\$196	\$204	\$235
<b>A. Aquatic Park</b>					
Covered Lagoon Pier Rental	Hour	-	\$250	-	\$300

<b>I. Codornices Park</b>					
Redwood Grove Rental	4-hours	-	\$450	-	\$540
<b>IV. RECREATION PROGRAMS</b>					
<b>2. Programs at Centers</b>					
<b>C. Summer Fun Camps</b>					
Core	Session	\$165	\$200	\$198	\$240
AM Extended Care	Session	\$27.50	\$35	\$33	\$42
PM Extended Care	Session	\$82.50	\$100	\$99	\$120
<b>1. Parks &amp; Open Space (not athletic fields)</b>					
<b>A. Special Events</b>					
Event organizer required to pay City staff costs to monitor Park events.	Hour or Unit		Actual cost		Actual cost

RESOLUTION NO. ##,###N.S.

CHANGES TO SELECTED RECREATION FACILITIES AND PROGRAM FEES AND  
RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 72,094-N.S.

WHEREAS, on January 20, 2026 Council adopted the new Fee Schedule for Recreation Division programs (Resolution No. 72,094-N.S.); and

WHEREAS, the proposed new fees and fee increases will provide additional revenue to the General Fund, Sports Field Operations Fund and Parks Tax, which will help cover the cost of delivering programs and maintaining parks and facilities; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the rates and charges set forth in Exhibit A are hereby fixed and established for the Parks and Recreation programs and facilities and shall be effective May 20, 2026, unless otherwise noted in Exhibit A.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Resolution No. 72,094-N.S.; and all amendatory resolutions are hereby rescinded effective May 20, 2026.

Exhibits

A: Recreation Fee Schedule

B: Scholarships and Special Use Rental Policy

**Exhibit A:**

**Recreation Fee Schedule**

Effective May 20, 2026 (unless otherwise noted below)

Program Area	Unit of Measure	Resident	Non-Resident
<b>I. DIRECTOR'S AUTHORITY TO IMPLEMENT NEW FEES</b>			
The Director of Parks Recreation and Waterfront, or his/her designee, reserves the right to establish fees for new Recreation programs based on comparison with other municipalities.			
New Programs	Various	Up to \$450	Up to \$540
<b>II. FACILITY RENTAL CHARGES</b>			
<b>1. Room Rentals: Regular Hours (1-Hour Minimum); Non-Regular Hours (2-Hour Minimum)</b>			
James Kenney (JK), Live Oak (LO), Frances Albrier (FA), Martin Luther King (MLK), Willard (W)			
<b>A. Youth, Senior, Disabled</b>			
Regular Hours	Hour	\$49	\$59
Non-Regular Hours	Hour	\$65	\$78
<b>B. All Other</b>			
<b>Auditorium (FA), Social Hall (LO), Community Room – Full (W)</b>			
Regular Hours	Hour	\$80	\$96
Non-Regular Hours	Hour	\$100	\$120
<b>Fireside Room (LO), Community Room (JK, YAP), Community Room – Half (W)</b>			
Regular Hours	Hour	\$62	\$74
Non-Regular Hours	Hour	\$78	\$94
<b>Game Room (MLK), Arts &amp; Crafts Room (FA, JK, LO, YAP) Meeting Room (JK, LO, MLK, FA)</b>			
Regular Hours	Hour	\$55	\$66
Non-Regular Hours	Hour	\$69	\$83
<b>Outdoor Patio (W)</b>	Hour	\$40	\$48
<b>Outdoor Patio (W)</b>	4-hours	\$150	\$180
<b>C. Multi Room Discount</b>			

Program Area	Unit of Measure	Resident	Non-Resident
2nd room	Rental	25% discount	25% discount
3rd room, each additional room	Rental	50% discount	50% discount
<b>D. Gym Rentals (JK, MLK)</b>			
Regular Hours	Hour	\$77	\$92
Non-Regular Hours	Hour	\$96	\$115
<b>E. Filming Fee</b>			
Parks and Facilities	½ Day	\$400	\$400
	Full Day	\$800	\$800
<b>F. Surcharges</b>			
Table & Chair Set-Up	Rental	\$63	\$76
Kitchen Use	Rental	\$86	\$103
Small Storage Room	Month	\$21	\$25
Large Storage Room	Month	\$31	\$37
Stage Use w/Room Rental	Hour	\$26	\$31
P/A system & staff operation	Hour	\$42	\$50
Cleaning/Damage Deposit All Rentals (Refundable)	Rental	\$200	\$200

Program Area	Unit of Measure	Resident (as of 7/1/26)	Resident (as of 1/1/27)	Non-Resident (as of 7/1/26)	Non-Resident (as of 1/1/27)
<b>2. City Athletic Fields</b>					
<b>A. Cedar Rose, Codornices, Glendale-La Loma, Grove, James Kenney, Ohlone, Rosa Parks, San Pablo, Thousand Oaks, Willard</b>					
Youth non-profit leagues	2-Hours	\$36		\$43	
Adults, for-profits, private schools	2-Hours	\$72		\$86	
Youth Non-Profit Leagues, with Lights	2-Hours	\$72		\$86	
Adults, For-Profit, Private Schools, with Lights	2-Hours	\$108		\$130	
Maintenance Deposit		40% of Fee		40% of Fee	
<b>B. Gabe's Fields at Harrison Park, Natural Turf</b>					

Program Area	Unit of Measure	Resident (as of 7/1/26)	Resident (as of 1/1/27)	Non-Resident (as of 7/1/26)	Non-Resident (as of 1/1/27)
Youth non-profit leagues, no lights	2-Hours	\$43.50	\$51	\$52	\$61
Adults, for-profits, private schools, no lights	2-Hours	\$87.50	\$92	\$105	\$110
Youth, non-profit leagues, with lights	2-Hours	\$79.50	\$87	\$95.50	\$104
Adults, for-profits, private schools, with lights	2-Hours	\$123.50	\$128	\$148	\$154
<b>C. Gilman Fields, Natural Turf</b>					
Youth non-profit leagues, no lights	2-Hours	\$43.50	\$51	\$52	\$61
Adults, for-profits, private schools, no lights	2-Hours	\$87.50	\$92	\$105	\$110
<b>D. Gilman Fields, Synthetic Turf</b>					
Youth non-profit leagues, no lights	2-Hours	\$65	\$80	\$78	\$96
Adults, for-profits, private schools, no lights	2-Hours	\$117.75	\$131	\$141	\$157
Youth non-profit leagues, with lights	2-Hours	\$101	\$116	\$121	\$139
Adults, for-profits, private schools, with lights	2- Hours	\$153.75	\$167	\$184.50	\$200
<b>E. Sports Field User Fines (Policy Violations: Applicable to All Athletic Fields)</b>					
Playing on Closed Grass Fields	1st Offense	\$250		\$250	
	2nd Offense	\$500		\$500	
Running practices in main goal areas	1st Offense within 12 mo	\$50		\$50	
	2nd Offense within 12 mo	\$100		\$100	
	3rd Offense within 12 mo	\$200		\$200	
Dogs, Alcohol, Trash, Wheeled vehicles	Incident	\$100		\$100	
Field Monitor	Hourly		Actual cost		Actual cost
<b>F. Additional Rules (Applicable to All Athletic Fields)</b>					
Weekday slots 5:30pm-7:00pm are charged as full two-hour slot					
All other slots are pro-rated in 30-minute increments					
<b>G. Lighting Fee Times for Sports Fields</b>					

Program Area	Unit of Measure	Resident (as of 7/1/26)	Resident (as of 1/1/27)	Non-Resident (as of 7/1/26)	Non-Resident (as of 1/1/27)
Fall Season (Mid-August – November)			6:00pm – 11:00pm		
Winter Season (December – February)			4:30pm – 11:00pm		
Spring Season (March – May)			7:30pm – 11:00pm		
Summer Season (June – Mid-August)			9:00pm – 11:00pm		

Program Area	Unit of Measure	Resident	Non-Resident
<b>3. Skate Park Rental</b>			
Rental (includes 2 staff members)	Hour	\$250	\$300
Birthday Party Rental (includes 2 staff members & lesson)	Hour	\$350	\$420
Cleaning/Damage Deposit (refundable)	Rental	\$200	\$200
<b>4. Outdoor Court Reservations</b> Tennis Courts, Pickleball Courts, Basketball Courts			
<b>A. Day Use</b>			
Adult	Hour	\$8	\$10
Youth, Senior, Disabled	Hour	\$6	\$7
<b>B. Night Use/Lighted Courts</b>			
Adult	Hour	\$12	\$14
Youth, Senior, Disabled	Hour	\$10	\$12
<b>B. Pickleball Courts (Striped, without nets)</b>			
Adult	Hour	\$5	\$6
Youth, Senior, Disabled	Hour	\$4	\$5
<b>5. Swim Centers (1-hour minimum)</b> King Pool, West Campus Pool			
1-35 people	Hour	\$100	\$120
36-70 people	Hour	\$145	\$174
71-100 people	Hour	\$177	\$212
101-150 people	Hour	\$217	\$260

<b>Program Area</b>	<b>Unit of Measure</b>	<b>Resident</b>	<b>Non-Resident</b>
Cleaning/Damage Deposit (refundable)	Rental	\$200	\$200
<b>6. Picnic Areas (4-hour minimum)</b>			
Aquatic Park Area 1	4-hours	\$50	\$60
Aquatic Park Area 2	4-hours	\$54	\$65
Aquatic Park Area 3	4-hours	\$54	\$65
Aquatic Park Area 4	4-hours	\$54	\$65
Berkeley Rose Garden Area 1	4-hours	\$50	\$60
Berkeley Rose Garden Area 2	4-hours	\$50	\$60
Berkeley Way Mini Area 1	4-hours	\$33	\$40
Cedar Rose Area 1	4-hours	\$36	\$43
Cedar Rose Area 2	4-hours	\$36	\$43
Cedar Rose Area 3	4-hours	\$36	\$43
Cesar Chavez Area 1	4-hours	\$50	\$50
Cesar Chavez Area 2	4-hours	\$220	\$220
Cesar Chavez: Area 3	4-hours	\$70	\$70
Charlie Dorr Mini Park Area 1	4-hours	\$33	\$40
Codornices Park Area 1	4-hours	\$83	\$100
Codornices Park Area 2	4-hours	\$66	\$79
Codornices Park Area 3	4-hours	\$50	\$60
Codornices Park Area 4	4-hours	\$50	\$60
Cragmont Area 1	4-hours	\$50	\$60
Cragmont Area 2	4-hours	\$50	\$60
Cragmont Area 3	4-hours	\$50	\$60
Glendale La Loma Area 1	4-hours	\$40	\$48
George Florence Mini Park Area 1	4-hours	\$33	\$40
Greg Brown Park Area 1	4-hours	\$33	\$40
Grove Area 1	4-hours	\$50	\$60
Horseshoe Park 1	4-hours	\$75	\$75

<b>Program Area</b>	<b>Unit of Measure</b>	<b>Resident</b>	<b>Non-Resident</b>
James Kenney Area 1	4-hours	\$50	\$60
James Kenney Area 2	4-hours	\$50	\$60
John Hinkel Area 1	4-hours	\$40	\$48
John Hinkel Area 2	4-hours	\$50	\$60
King School Area 1	4-hours	\$33	\$40
Live Oak Park Areas 1	4-hours	\$66	\$79
Live Oak Park Areas 2	4-hours	\$66	\$79
Ohlone Park @ McGee Area 1	4-hours	\$50	\$60
San Pablo Park Area 1	4-hours	\$33	\$40
San Pablo Park Area 2	4-hours	\$33	\$40
San Pablo Park Area 3	4-hours	\$33	\$40
San Pablo Park Area 4	4-hours	\$33	\$40
San Pablo Park Area 5	4-hours	\$33	\$40
Strawberry Creek Area 1	4-hours	\$50	\$60
Strawberry Creek Area 2	4-hours	\$33	\$40
Shorebird Park Area 1	4-hours	\$75	\$75
Shorebird Park Area 2	4-hours	\$75	\$75
Shorebird Park Area 3	4-hours	\$45	\$45
Shorebird Park Area 4	4-hours	\$75	\$75
Willard Park Area 1	4-hours	\$50	\$60
Bounce House Permit	Per Use	\$40	\$48
<b>7. Parks &amp; Open Space (not athletic fields)</b>			
<b>A. Special Events</b>			
1-99 Participants	Day	\$180	\$350
100-249 Participants	Day	\$270	\$500
250-499 Participants	Day	\$350	\$700
500+ Participants	Day	\$550	\$1,000
Cleaning/Damage Deposit (refundable)	Day	\$700	\$700

Program Area	Unit of Measure	Resident	Non-Resident
<i>Pass-through costs</i> Event organizer required to pay City staff costs to monitor Park events	Hour or Unit	Actual costs	Actual costs
<b>B. Special Events – Additional Days</b>			
1-99 Participants	Day	\$170	\$340
100-249 Participants	Day	\$230	\$460
250-499 Participants	Day	\$250	\$600
500+ Participants	Day	\$450	\$900
<b>C. John Hinkel Amphitheater</b>			
Rental	4-hours	\$200	\$240
Each Additional Hour (after 4 hours)	Hour	\$75	\$90
Cleaning/Damage Deposit (refundable)	Rental	\$500	\$500
Add-on: Picnic Area 2 - Lower Level	4-hours	\$15	\$20
Multi-Day Discount – Applies to reservations that are greater than 3-days (Applies to the Full Permit)	4-hours	20% discount	20% discount
<b>D. Camp Day Use Fee</b>			
1-50 Participants	Day	\$50	\$50
51-100 Participants	Day	\$100	\$100
101-150 Participants	Day	\$150	\$150
<b>E. Small Turf Areas in Parks (Ages 8 yrs &amp; under; Mon-Fri only; Max 3 days per week)</b>			
Aquatic Park, James Kenney Park, Live Oak Park, Ohlone Park	2-Hours	\$25	\$30
<b>8. Weddings &amp; Events (4-hour minimum)</b>			
<b>A. Rose Garden</b>			
Rental	4-Hours	\$1,150	\$1,380
Each Additional Hour (after 4 hours)	Hour	\$196	\$235
Cleaning/Damage Deposit (refundable)	Rental	\$700	\$700
<b>B. Cragmont, Live Oak Park</b>			
Rental	4-Hours	\$450	\$540

<b>Program Area</b>	<b>Unit of Measure</b>	<b>Resident</b>	<b>Non-Resident</b>
Each Additional Hour (after 4 hours)	Hour	\$75	\$90
Cleaning/Damage Deposit (refundable)	Rental	\$350	\$350
<b>C. John Hinkel (Outside Areas)</b>			
Rental	Hour	\$450	\$540
Each Additional Hour (after 4 hours)	Hour	\$75	\$90
Cleaning/Damage Deposit (refundable)	Rental	\$350	\$350
Add-on: Picnic Area 2 - Lower Level	4-hours	\$15	\$20
Multi-Day Discount – Applies to reservations that are greater than 3-days (Applies to the Full Permit)	4-hours	20% discount	20% discount
<b>D. Horseshoe Park (Small Park)</b>			
Rental	4-Hours	\$450	\$540
Each Additional Hour (after 4 hours)	Hour	\$75	\$90
Cleaning/Damage Deposit (refundable)	Rental	\$350	\$350
<b>E. Old Ferry Dock</b>			
Rental	4-Hours	\$450	\$540
Each Additional Hour (after 4 hours)	Hour	\$75	\$90
Cleaning/Damage Deposit (refundable)	Rental	\$350	\$350
<b>F. Spinnaker Way Vista</b>			
Rental	4-Hours	\$750	\$750
Each Additional Hour (after 4 hours)	Hour	\$170	\$170
Cleaning/Damage Deposit (refundable)	Rental	\$700	\$700
<b>G. Yacht Club Point</b>			
Rental	4-Hours	\$750	\$750
Each Additional Hour (after 4 hours)	Hour	\$170	\$170
Cleaning/Damage Deposit (refundable)	Rental	\$700	\$700
<b>H. Aquatic Park</b>			
Covered Lagoon Pier Rental	Hour	\$250	\$300
<b>I. Codornices Park</b>			

Program Area	Unit of Measure	Resident	Non-Resident
Redwood Grove Rental	4-hours	\$450	\$540
<b>9. Mini-Amphitheater/Outdoor Classroom (4-hour minimum)</b>			
Codornices Park #A1 (Next to Picnic Site #2)	4-hours	\$40	\$48
Live Oak Park #A1	4-hours	\$50	\$60
Shorebird Park #A1 (Near Nature Center Playground)	4-hours	\$50	\$50
<b>III. SWIM CENTER FEES</b>			
<b>1. Admissions</b> Lap Swim, Family Swim, Recreation Swim, Independent Exercise			
Adult (Drop-in)	Swim	\$7	\$8
Adult (10-Swim Card)	10-Swims	\$58	\$70
Adult (Monthly)	Month	\$85	\$102
Youth, Senior, Disabled (Drop-In)	Swim	\$4	\$5
Youth Senior Disabled (10-Swim Card)	10-Swims	\$33	\$40
Youth Senior Disabled (Monthly Card)	Month	\$49	\$60
<b>2. Red Cross Swim Sessions</b>			
<b>A. Group Lessons (Subsidized)</b>			
Adult	4-Class Session	\$40	\$48
Adult	8-Class Session	\$79	\$95
Youth, Senior, Disabled	4-Class Session	\$38	\$46
Youth, Senior, Disabled	8-Class Session	\$76	\$91
<b>B. Group Lessons (Cost Recovery)</b>			
Adult	4-Class Session	\$48	\$58
Adult	8-Class Session	\$96	\$115
Youth, Senior, Disabled	4-Class Session	\$44	\$53
Youth, Senior, Disabled	8-Class Session	\$88	\$106
<b>C. Organized Youth Groups (Residents Only)</b>			

Program Area	Unit of Measure	Resident	Non-Resident
10-15 participants	Session	\$65	\$65
16-21 participants	Session	\$62	\$62
22-32 participants	Session	\$54	\$54
33-43 participants	Session	\$48	\$48
44-54 participants	Session	\$39	\$39
55+ participants	Session	\$37	\$37
<b>3. Premium Classes</b> Continuous & Coached Workouts: Water Aerobics, Parent/Tot, Stroke Technique, Master Swim			
Adult (Drop-in)	Swim	\$8	\$10
Adult (10-Swim Card)	10-Swims	\$75	\$90
Adult (Monthly)	Month	\$94	\$113
Youth, Senior, Disabled (Drop-In)	Swim	\$6	\$7
Youth Senior Disabled (10-Swim Card)	10-Swims	\$56	\$67
Youth Senior Disabled (Monthly Card)	Session	\$70	\$84
<b>4. Private Swim Lessons</b> <b>(1/2 hour session)</b>			
Individual (One-on-One)	Lesson	\$30	\$36
Semi-Private Lesson (2 or more Participants)	Lesson	\$50	\$60
<b>IV. RECREATION PROGRAMS</b>			
<b>1. Sports</b>			
<b>A. Adult Softball League</b>			
4 Game Season	Team	\$376	\$451
8 Game Season	Team	\$752	\$902
10 Game Season	Team	\$940	\$1,128
<b>B. Adult Basketball League</b>			
8 Game Season	Team	\$800	\$960
	Individual	\$120	\$144

<b>Program Area</b>	<b>Unit of Measure</b>	<b>Resident</b>	<b>Non-Resident</b>
10 Game Season	Team	\$1,000	\$1,200
	Individual	\$150	\$180
<b>C. Adult Volleyball League</b>			
8 Game Season	Team	\$360	\$432
10 Game Season	Team	\$450	\$540
12 Game Season	Team	\$540	\$648
15 Game Season	Team	\$675	\$810
<b>D. Open Gym Volleyball</b>			
Drop-In	Drop-In	\$5	\$5
<b>E. Youth Baseball</b>			
Individual	Session	\$51	\$61
<b>F. Youth Hoops League</b>			
Individual	Session	\$100	\$120
<b>G. Youth Twilight Basketball</b>			
Individual	Session	\$27	\$32
<b>H. Youth Flag Football League</b>			
Individual	Session	\$30	\$36
<b>I. Tennis Lessons</b>			
Youth	Session	\$73	\$88
Adult	Session	\$107	\$128
<b>J. Skate Park Lessons &amp; Classes</b>			
Full Day	Session	\$258	\$310
1/2 Day Camp	Session	\$195	\$234
Park Introduction	Session	\$11	\$13
Trick Clinic	Session	\$11	\$13
Private Lessons	Hour	\$43	\$52
Group Lessons	Session	\$108	\$130
<b>2. Programs at Centers</b>			

Program Area	Unit of Measure	Resident	Non-Resident
<b>A. After School Program (Subsidized)</b>			
Transitional Kindergarten/Kindergarten	Day	\$14	\$17
1 <sup>st</sup> Grade – 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Day	\$12	\$14
<b>B. After School Program (Cost Recovery)</b>			
Transitional Kindergarten/Kindergarten	Day	\$18	\$22
1 <sup>st</sup> Grade – 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Day	\$16	\$19
<b>C. Summer Fun Camps</b>			
Core	Session	\$200	\$240
AM Extended Care	Session	\$35	\$42
PM Extended Care	Session	\$100	\$120
<b>3. Waterfront Programs</b>			
<b>A. Adventure Playground</b>			
Child Admission (anyone between 1 and 14 years old)	Day	\$5	N/A
Group size 5-10	2-hours	\$75	N/A
Group size 11-20	2-hours	\$105	N/A
Group size 21-30	2-hours	\$158	N/A
Group size 31-40	2-hours	\$210	N/A
<b>B. Education Programs</b>			
Naturalist Classroom Program	3-hours	\$300	N/A
Naturalist Classroom Program	1-hour	\$100	N/A
Docent Training	Session	\$65	N/A
<b>C. Nature Center &amp; Adventure Playground Rentals</b>			
AP Birthday Party Package	2-hours	\$325	N/A
Naturalist Birthday Party Package	3-hours	\$426	N/A

Program Area	Unit of Measure	Resident (as of 1/21/2026)	Resident (as of 1/1/2027)	Non-Resident (as of 1/21/2026)	Non-Resident (as of 1/1/2027)
<b>V. Camp Programs</b>					

<b>1. Berkeley Day Camp</b>					
Youth Core Program	5-Day	\$310	\$326	\$373	\$392
AM Extended Care	5-Day	\$66	\$69	\$78	\$82
PM Extended Care	5-Day	\$101	\$107	\$122	\$128
Counselor-In-Training	10-Day	\$251	\$263	\$300	\$315
Cancelled Reservation	Session	25% of reservation not to exceed \$150			
<b>2. Echo Lake Camp</b>					
<b>A. 50 &amp; Better Camp</b>					
50 & Better Camp Tent (up to 2 campers)	5-Day	\$818		\$981	
50 & Better Camp Tent (up to 2 campers)	4-Day	\$650		\$780	
50 & Better Camp Tent (up to 2 campers)	Weekend	\$515		\$618	
50 & Better Camp Additional Camper	1-Day	\$55		\$66	
<b>B. Counselor-In-Training</b>					
Counselor-In-Training	2-Week	\$517	\$543	\$622	\$653
Counselor-In-Training	1-Week	\$355	\$373	\$428	\$449
<b>C. Family Camp Sessions</b>					
Full-Week Standard Tent (up to 3 campers)	7-Day	\$1,843		\$2,212	
Full-Week Low-Occupancy Tent	7-Day	\$1,595		\$1,914	
Nightly Rate: Mon, Tues, or Wed	1-Night	\$450		\$540	
Weekend Standard Tent (up to 3 campers)	4-Day	\$1,397		\$1,676	
Weekend Low-Occupancy Tent	4-Day	\$1,226		\$1,471	
Mid-Week Standard Tent (up to 3 campers)	4-Day	\$1,210		\$1,452	
Mid-Week Low-Occupancy Tent	4-Day	\$1,062		\$1,274	
Additional Camper Fee (1-Day)	1-Day	\$90		\$108	
Additional Camper Session-Based Daily Rate	1-Day	\$80		\$96	
<b>D. Day Use Fees</b>					
Adult (15+) Day Use	1-Day	\$108		\$129.60	
Youth (7-14) Day Use	1-Day	\$72		\$86.40	
Child (3-6) Day Use	1-Day	\$54		\$64.80	

<b>E. Group Rental Rates</b>						
Adult (15+)	1-Day	\$85			\$102	
Youth (7-14)	1-Day	\$71.50			\$85.80	
Child (3-6)	1-Day	\$52.80			\$63.36	
Infant (0-3)	1-Day	\$0			\$0	
Cleaning / Damage Deposit	Rental	\$2,000.0			\$2,000	
<b>F. New Camper Welcome Weekend</b>	Weekend	\$195			\$234	
<b>G. School Outdoor Education</b>						
Teachers & Adult Chaperones	1-Day	\$60			\$72	
Youth Participants	1-Day	\$45			\$54	
<b>H. Work Weekend</b>	Weekend	\$0			\$0	
<b>I. Youth Camp</b>						
6-Day Program	6-Days	\$930	\$977		\$1,116	\$1,172
<b>J. Wedding Rental</b>						
Wedding Rental	4-Hours	\$750			\$900	
Wedding Rental - Each Additional Hour (after 4 hours)	Hour	\$125			\$150	
Cleaning / Damage Deposit	Rental	\$2,000			\$2,000	
<b>K. Backpacking Program</b>						
Beginning Backpacking	6-Day	\$1,275	\$1,339		\$1,529	\$1,605
Advanced Backpacking	6-Day	\$1,680	\$1,764		\$2,016	\$2,117
Adult Backpacking	4-Day	\$600	\$660		\$720	\$792
<b>3. Tuolumne Camp</b>						
<b>A. 50 &amp; Better Camp</b>						
50 & Better Camp Tent (up to 2 campers)	5-Day	\$1,008			\$1,210	
50 & Better Camp Tent (up to 2 campers)	4-Day	\$806			\$967	
50 & Better Camp Tent (up to 2 campers)	Weekend	\$605			\$726	
50 & Better Camp Additional Camper per day	1-Day	\$60			\$72	
<b>B. Leaders-In-Training (LIT)</b>	4-Day	\$941			\$1,129	
<b>C. Counselor-In-Training (CIT)</b>						

	Counselor-In-Training	2-Week	\$537	\$614	\$645	\$677
	Counselor-In-Training	1-Week	\$355	\$373	\$428	\$449
<b>D.</b>	<b>Family Camp</b>					
	Full-Week Standard Tent (up to 3 campers)	1-Week	\$2,195		\$2,633	
	Full-Week Low-Occupancy Tent	1-Week	\$1,887		\$2,264	
	Weekend Standard Tent (up to 3 campers)	4-Day	\$1,664		\$1,997	
	Weekend Low-Occupancy Tent	4-Day	\$1,459		\$1,751	
	Mid-Week Standard Tent (up to 3 campers)	4-Day	\$1,430		\$1,716	
	Mid-Week Low Occupancy Tent	4-Day	\$1,210		\$1,452	
	Nightly Rate: Mon, Tues, or Wed	1-Day	\$525		\$630	
<b>E.</b>	<b>Family Camp Day Use Fees</b>					
	Adult (15+) Day Use	1-Day	\$135		\$162	
	Youth (7-14) Day Use	1-Day	\$90		\$108	
	Child (3-6) Day Use	1-Day	\$68		\$81.60	
	Additional Camper Fee (1-Day)	1-Day	\$100		\$120	
	Additional Camper Session-Based Daily Rate	1-Day	\$90		\$108	
<b>F.</b>	<b>Group Rental Rates</b>					
	Adult (15+)	1-Day	\$110		\$132	
	Youth (7-14)	1-Day	\$93		\$111.60	
	Child (3-6)	1-Day	\$78		\$93.60	
	Infant (0-3)	1-Day	\$0		\$0	
	Cleaning / Damage Deposit	Rental	\$2,000		\$2,000	
<b>G.</b>	<b>New Camper Welcome Weekend</b>	Weekend	\$195		\$234	
<b>H.</b>	<b>School Outdoor Education</b>					
	Adult Chaperones	1-Day	\$75		\$90	
	Youth Participants	1-Day	\$56		\$67.20	
<b>I.</b>	<b>Work Weekend</b>	Weekend	\$0		\$0	
<b>J.</b>	<b>Youth Camp</b>					
	5-Day Program	5-Day	\$840		\$1,008	

	6-Day Program	6-Day	\$1,008		\$1,210	
	7-Day Program	7-Day	\$1,176		\$1,411	
	Per Day Fee	1-Day	\$168		\$202	
<b>K.</b>	<b>Wedding Rental</b>					
	Wedding Rental	4-Hour	\$1,000		\$1,200	
	Wedding Rental - Each Additional Hour (after 4 hours)	Hour	\$150		\$180	
	Cleaning / Damage Deposit	Rental	\$2,000		\$2,000	
<b>4.</b>	<b>Resident Camp Surcharges</b>					
	Family Camp Program Deposit Payment (Non-Refundable)	Reservation	\$500 per reservation			
	Late Fee	Reservation	\$75 per reservation if balance is not paid by dates specified			
	Changes to Reservation resulting in reduction in length of stay (30 days or more before arrival)	Reservation	\$100			
	Cancel Reservation (30 days or more before arrival)	Reservation	25% of reservation not to exceed \$150 (after \$500 non-refundable deposit)			
	Cancel Reservation (due to emergency or illness, with Doctor's Letter)	Reservation	No Charge			

Program Area	Unit of Measure	Resident	Non-Resident
<b>VI. Youth Works Program</b>			
<b>1. Accelerator Program</b>			
Summer Intern at Business Site	7-Weeks	Up to \$2,500	N/A



## Exhibit B: Scholarships and Special Use Rental Policy

### I. Scholarships/Low-Income Fee Support

#### Eligibility

Scholarships are available to Berkeley Residents who meet Federal low-income guidelines. The City of Berkeley offers partial (50%) or full (100%) scholarships to Berkeley Residents for a wide variety of Recreation Division Programs. Scholarship eligibility is based upon Housing and Urban Development (HUD) income thresholds, and applicants must submit documents to verify their proof of residency and gross household income or submit a low-income affidavit form to qualify.

- **100% Scholarship:** Applicants must meet HUD's current "Very Low Income Limits."
- **50% Scholarship:** Applicants must meet HUD's current "Very Low Income Limits" plus the difference between the "Low Income Limits" and the "Very Low Income Limits."

The most up-to-date version of HUD's Income Limits can be found here:  
<https://www.huduser.gov/portal/datasets/il.html>

#### Annual Renewal Process

Following initial approval for a scholarship, applicants must renew their scholarship eligibility annually by submitting current proof of Berkeley residency and income. City of Berkeley Recreation Administration Staff will reach out to scholarship recipients annually to request renewal documentation.

### II. Special Use Rental Policy

1. A primary goal of the City's Community Centers is to become a "hub" of resources and referrals for neighborhoods by establishing a relationship of mutual support and trust. Through this trust, we promote safe neighborhoods and opportunities for families and youth to be engaged in activities that enhance the community and support the goals of the Parks Recreation and Waterfront Department. Each year the Parks Recreation and Waterfront Department receives numerous requests from community groups to meet at its Community Centers as well as the Berkeley Marina Conference Room for no fee. As a way to cultivate community relationships and respond to community requests for free meeting space, the City has created a policy whereby qualified local groups (e.g., neighborhood, Community Agency Contract, or non-profit groups that comply with this policy) are allowed to hold meetings, free of charge, at the City's Community Centers and the Berkeley Marina Conference Room during normal business hours.
2. **Application Process**  
A completed application and attachments must be submitted before a reservation is confirmed. Groups applying for a Special Use Rental must support and benefit the goals of the City of Berkeley Parks Recreation and Waterfront Department ("PRW"). The department is committed to administering excellent recreation programs at our community centers, camps, marina and parks; developing new programs that improve

access for 18 Exhibit B historically underserved participants; maintaining our trees and municipal urban forest, landscaping and infrastructure; and, developing Capital Projects with community input to improve and enhance residents' park and facility experience.

All interested groups must submit a completed Special Use Rental application on an annual basis, with all of the following attached:

- Proof that membership has approved meetings (either by providing a Board resolution, Agendas, or Minutes).
- A \$200 Cleaning/Damage Deposit (Refundable).
- A written statement that the group/non-profit organization does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, age, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, political affiliation, veterans' status, disabilities (physical and mental), and medical condition (including cancer and HIV status).
- A written statement describing the group's goals and how they support and benefit the goals of the City of Berkeley Parks Recreation and Waterfront Department.

In addition to the above requirements that apply to all interested groups, Community Agency Contract and non-profit groups must also submit:

- List of membership roster with names, addresses, and phone numbers
- Proof of non-profit status (required for non-profit groups)
- At least 14 days before the date of the first meeting, qualified groups must provide a valid Certificate of Insurance (COI) containing the City's minimum liability requirements, and naming the city of Berkeley as additional insured on separate Endorsement. This COI must cover all of the group's reserved dates for the year. If the COI is not provided at least 14 days prior to the first reserved date, the reservation will be cancelled.

PRW will not begin to review the application until the application is complete, including all required information and attachments. A reservation is not confirmed until the applicant receives written notice of approval from PRW.

Applications may be picked up at: 1) any Recreation Center; 2) Recreation Division Office, 1720 8th St., Berkeley, CA 94710; 3) Berkeley Marina Office; or 4) City of Berkeley website: [www.cityofberkeley.info/parks](http://www.cityofberkeley.info/parks).

Approval of applications is at the discretion of the Recreation and Youth Services Manager or designee; a decision denying the application is final and not subject to appeal. If PRW denies the fee waiver application, the interested group may apply to rent the room for the standard fee.

Qualified Groups: In order to qualify for this policy, groups must comply with all of the requirements set forth above in section I. In addition, groups must support and benefit the goals of the City of Berkeley Parks Recreation and Waterfront Department and groups must be one of the following:

- Neighborhood Groups: Any group living in a specific area of Berkeley that comes together to either exchange ideas for neighborhood improvement and community building, or to help solve neighborhood problems or issues.
- Non-profit Groups: Any organized non-profit group that meets at least quarterly.
- Community Agency Contract Groups: Any City of Berkeley Community Agency Contract group that serves youth under 18 years of age.

There must be adult leaders, advisors and/or chaperones attending each meeting.

### 3. Limitations

- Qualified groups may hold a regular meeting of up to two hours at a specified meeting room or in a Community Center or the Marina Conference Room for up to eight (8) times per year during regular operating hours.
- Exception: The Community Room, Auditorium, or Social Hall at each Community Center may be used for one additional "larger scale" meeting, such as a banquet or social event, each year.
- Meetings must be open to the public.
- Regular Business Operating Hours are when the Community Center or Marina Office is open (Hours may vary for each facility based on its regular schedule of use).
- Qualified groups may not conduct the following activities: for-profit business or commercial activities; campaign activities; private instruction; or fundraising (unless fundraising proceeds are devoted solely to municipal recreation and park improvements, which must be demonstrated with a written request to the Recreation and Youth Services Manager/designee).
- A reservation for the qualified group may be scheduled a maximum of 180 days in advance and a minimum of 14 days in advance, and must not conflict with ongoing programs, paid rentals, or classes.
- A qualified group is required to do set-up, takedown and clean up.
- Any additional fees other than the waived rental fee (e.g., kitchen use, stage, setup/take down, etc.) shall apply and are the sole financial responsibility of the qualified group.
- The City has the right to cancel a reservation at any time.
- Groups cancelling a reservation must give at least 72-hours-notice. If proper notice of cancellation is not given, the City reserves the right to revoke the group's reservations for the entire year, or any part of the year. The City may revoke the group's reservations for the entire year, or any part of the year for any of the following reasons: if the group fails to abide by any of the information in its application; the group fails to comply with any of the Rules and Regulations of the City's Facility Rental Policy.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL**

**CHANGES TO SELECTED RECREATION FACILITIES AND PROGRAM FEES**

**The public may participate in this hearing by remote video or in-person.**

Notice is hereby given by the City Council of the City of Berkeley that a public hearing will be conducted by said city council of the City of Berkeley at which time and place all persons may attend and be heard upon the following:

The Department of Parks, Recreation & Waterfront is proposing to increase selected fees and policies, as contained in the attached Recreation Fee and Policy Schedule regarding facility rental charges (City athletic fields, picnic areas, weddings & events), and recreation programs (programs at centers, and parks & open space – not athletic fields).

The hearing will be held on May 19, 2026 at 6:00 PM in the School District Board Room, located at 1231 Addison Street, Berkeley CA 94702.

For further information, please contact Scott Ferris at 510-981-6711.

A copy of the agenda material for this hearing will be available on the City's website at <https://berkeleyca.gov/> as of May 7, 2026. **Once posted, the agenda for this meeting will include a link for public participation using Zoom video technology, as well as any health and safety requirements for in-person attendance.**

Written comments should be mailed or delivered directly to the City Clerk, 2180 Milvia Street, Berkeley, CA 94704, or e-mailed to [council@berkeleyca.gov](mailto:council@berkeleyca.gov) in order to ensure delivery to all Councilmembers and inclusion in the agenda packet.

Communications to the Berkeley City Council are public record and will become part of the City's electronic records, which are accessible through the City's website. **Please note: e-mail addresses, names, addresses, and other contact information are not required, but if included in any communication to the City Council, will become part of the public record.** If you do not want your e-mail address or any other contact information to be made public, you may deliver communications via U.S. Postal Service or in person to the City Clerk. If you do not want your contact information included in the public record, please do not include that information in your communication. Please contact the City Clerk at (510) 981-6900 or [clerk@cityofberkeley.info](mailto:clerk@cityofberkeley.info) for further information.

If you challenge the above in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Berkeley at, or prior to, the public hearing. Background information concerning this proposal will be available at the City Clerk

Department and posted on the City of Berkeley webpage at least 12 days prior to the public hearing.

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I hereby certify that the Notice for this Public Hearing of the Berkeley City Council was posted at the display case located near the walkway in front of the Maudelle Shirek Building, 2134 Martin Luther King Jr. Way, as well as on the City's website, on May 7, 2026.

Mark Numainville, City Clerk