



CITY OF CONCORD

REPORT TO MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: Recreation and Parks Advisory Committee
David Gill, Parks and Recreation Director

Re: Non-ordinance-based fee increases

DATE: April 24, 2024

Recommendation

Approve this report and recommendation from the Recreation and Parks Advisory Committee to have a public hearing at the June City Council meeting on recommended fee increases.

Background

At the April Recreation and Parks Advisory meeting they unanimously approved recommending increases in rates for community center rentals, private pool parties, nonresident family pool membership, parks staff overtime fees and nonresident drop in fees.

At the meeting the Parks and Recreation Director David Gill highlighted operating cost increases and discussed a couple of options to help offset these higher costs. These increases affect the cost of operating all four community centers and seven outdoor aquatic facilities.

The Recreation and Parks Advisory Committee recommends the following fee changes,

	Current Fees		New Fees		
					Resident
Community Centers	Res	N/R	Res	N/R	% increase
Program rooms and Audi at city wide community center and West Street Ward House rental rates were lowered by approx. 70% in Sept 2022					
CWCC - Program Rooms	\$15	\$30	\$17	\$37	13%
CWCC - Exercise Rooms	\$35	\$50	\$17	\$37	-49%
CWCC - Audi	\$25	\$50	\$28	\$53	12%
CWCC Gym - before 5 pm mid-week	\$60	\$75	\$67	\$87	12%
CWCC Gym - after 5 pm mid-week and weekends	\$90	\$105	\$100	\$120	11%
West Street Ward House	\$15	\$30	\$17	\$37	13%
GSCC Gym (any time)	\$72	\$87	\$80	\$95	11%
Merrimack Lodge (first two hours)	\$100	\$130	\$110	\$130	10%
Merrimack Lodge (after two hours, per hour)	\$75	\$90	\$84	\$104	12%
Football Games at MF - does not include lights	\$280	\$295	\$300	\$320	7.00%
Existing, no cut, nonprofit youth leagues (per 3-month season)	\$650	n/a	\$725	n/a	11.00%
Staff time for after hour special events and tournaments (per hour, 3-hour min)	\$36	\$36	\$40	\$50	11.00%
Nonresident family pool pass	n/a	\$125	n/a	\$140	
Pool Rentals (two-hour rental)	\$110	\$125	\$125	\$140	13.00%

The committee also recommends charging \$20 more an hour for nonresident rentals of the community centers and parks. The current extra fee for nonresidents is \$15 an hour.

Drop-In Rates (Basketball, Pickleball, Futsal ...)	Now	New
Adult Resident	\$3	\$3
Adult Non-Resident	\$4	\$5
Youth Resident	\$2	\$2
Youth Non-Resident	\$3	\$4

If approved, city staff estimates there will be an additional \$15,000 of revenue in the FY25 operating budget if new fees are effective as of July 1, 2024. These fee increases were not included in the City Managers recommended FY25 budget.