## PETERSBURG BOROUGH ORDINANCE #2021-03

# AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 4.60, PARKS AND RECREATION USER FEES, OF THE BOROUGH CODE TO UPDATE USER FEES FOR THE COMMUNITY CENTER

WHEREAS, the Petersburg Borough Parks and Recreation Department wishes to simplify fees collected for use of the Community Center, including to remove any distinction between resident and nonresident fees, adult and senior fees, and deleting family fees; and

WHEREAS, the Department wishes to allow facility users who are under the age of 148 years old free admission in the interest of health and wellness; and

WHEREAS, to move these Department wishes forward, provisions of Chapter 4.60, Parks and Recreation user Fees, of the Petersburg Borough Municipal Code require amendment.

**THEREFORE, THE PETERSBURG BOROUGH ORDAINS,** Chapter 4.60, Parks and Recreation User Fees, of the Borough Code shall be amended as follows:

<u>Section 1.</u> Classification: This ordinance is of a general and permanent nature and shall be codified in the Petersburg Municipal Code.

<u>Section 2.</u> Purpose: The purpose of this ordinance is to amend the Borough Code to update Community Center user fees.

<u>Section 3.</u> <u>Substantive Provisions:</u> Chapter 4.60, Parks and Recreation User Fees, of the Petersburg Borough Municipal Code is hereby amended as follows (The language proposed for addition is underlined, and the language proposed for deletion is struck through):

#### Chapter 4.60 - PARKS AND RECREATION USER FEES

4.60.010 - Background information, purpose and intent of this chapter.

- A. The Petersburg Borough provides park and recreation facilities that enable community recreational, cultural and outdoor experiences. The facilities include an Aquatic Center; a gymnasium; racquetball courts; facilities for arts, crafts and physical fitness; ball fields; parks; park shelters and hiking trails. These facilities are managed by the Parks and Recreation Department. The Department also offers a wide variety of recreational programs for children, adults and seniors. Budgeting and accounting for the department's revenues and expenditures are reported in the general fund. Tax revenues and user charges provide sources of financing for the Department's operations and maintenance.
- B. This chapter establishes Parks and Recreation user charges. User charges are intended to reduce dependence upon property tax revenues for operations and to sustain some, but

- not all, of the operation and maintenance expenses of the Parks and Recreation Department.
- C. For purposes of this chapter, a resident is defined as a person who has resided within the borough for at least 30 days and intends to remain in the borough indefinitely and to make a home in the borough. A person demonstrates intent under this provision by maintaining a principal place of abode within the borough, by obtaining a valid driver's license or voter registration card showing residency within the borough and/or other acceptable proof of residency, as determined by the Parks and Recreation Director.

### 4.60.020 - User charges established.

- A. A schedule of user charges for resident and nonresident use of the Parks and Recreation Community Center facility is hereby approved as follows.
- B. The Parks and Recreation Director has administrative discretion to establish user charges for other facilities and recreation, facility rentals, equipment rentals, and art and cultural programs. In circumstances when an employee is assigned, or an instructor is hired as an independent contractor or a volunteer offers to teach said programs or manage said special events, the user charges shall be sufficient to underwrite the entire expense to the borough of the program.

#### PARKS AND RECREATION COMMUNITY CENTER USER CHARGES

Member Fees			
	<u>Under 18</u>	18 and Over	
Drop In	<u>Free</u>	\$5 per visit	
Annual	<u>Free</u>	\$300_*	
Punch Pass (24 Visits)	N/A	\$48	

<sup>\*</sup> Seniors over the age of 65, who volunteer a minimum number of hours per month, may receive up to 50% off an annual membership. Further policies on volunteers shall be adopted by the Director.

Adult Fees			
	Nonresident	Resident	
Per use (2 hour limit)	\$6.00	\$5.00	
Monthly	\$48.00	\$40.00	
3-Month	\$135.00	\$110.00	
<del>Yearly</del>	\$380.00	\$320.00	
Punch pass (12 punches)	\$60.00	\$50.00	

Youth/Senior Fees				
	Nonresident	Resident		
Per use (2-hour limit)	\$4.50	\$4.00		
Monthly	\$36.00	\$32.00		
3-Month	\$98.00	\$85.00		
Yearly	\$290.00	\$260.00		
Punch pass (12 punches)	\$45.00	\$40.00		

Family Fees			Family apply to groups of 6 living in the same household
	Nonresident	Resident	
Per use (2-hour	\$12.00	\$10.00	Additional person is \$3.00

<del>limit)</del>			
Monthly	\$75.00	\$70.00	Additional person is \$24.00
<del>3 Month</del>	\$205.00	\$195.00	Additional person is \$60.00
Yearly	\$560.00	\$480.00	Additional person is \$90.00
Punch pass	N/A	N/A	The punch pass would include 12 punches for the price of 10

<u>Section 4. Severability:</u> If any provision of this ordinance or any application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this ordinance and the application to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected.

<u>Section 5.</u> <u>Effective Date:</u> This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon final passage.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** by the Petersburg Borough Assembly, Petersburg, Alaska this 8<sup>th</sup> day of March 2021.

	Mark Jensen, Mayor	
ATTEST:		
Debra K. Thompson, Borough Clerk		
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Adopted: Noticed: Effective: