



## Summer 2020 Parking Fee FAQs

- 1. When are you charging for parking?** The parking fee will only be assessed on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays from 10am-6pm through the end of October. Parking will remain free Monday through Thursday as well as Fri-Sun. before 10am and after 6pm.
- 2. How do I avoid the new parking fee?** You can join our Friends of the Park donor program with a \$10 recurring monthly donation or \$100 annual donation, or simply choose to visit the Park during those days/times when the fee is not being charged.
- 3. Are there a limited number of hang tags available?** No, we welcome as many Friends of the Park as possible because this is an important way that we generate revenue to cover operating costs.
- 4. What if I arrive with my hangtag when the lot is already full?** Friends of the Park (hang tag holders) will *always* be guaranteed a parking space. We will reserve our grass overflow lot for these visitors and will allow them in if they should arrive when the gravel lot is full.
- 5. I'm a local – why do I have to pay to use the community park?** The VC Park is a private nonprofit facility that we choose to open to the public regardless of their place of residence. We rely on donations from users and we are NOT a county, state, or federal facility.
- 6. I have a birthday party/family reunion/child's soccer game/etc. Will I have to pay?** Folks attending a *pre-arranged* event within the Park simply need to check in at the gate by saying "I am here for the Brown Family Reunion, my child has a soccer game, etc." Parking staff will have daily printouts of reservations/all events happening within the Park. If your group *did not* make and pay for a reservation for one of our shelters, then you will be charged the fee.
- 7. Can we park at the Mast Store, Mast Annex, or Dutch Creek ice cream shop?** No. We have a fabulous relationship with these local businesses and we want to remain good neighbors. Their parking spaces are to be used for their shoppers ONLY. Users walking into the Park from any of these locations will be asked by Park staff to move their vehicle or risk being towed (which costs much more than \$5). Your cooperation on this point is sincerely appreciated!