

CITY OF WHEAT RIDGE, COLORADO
RESOLUTION NO. 54
Series of 2020

TITLE: A RESOLUTION REQUESTING TRANSFER OF TITLE OWNERSHIP OF PANORAMA PARK, PARAMOUNT PARK, RANDALL PARK AND A PORTION OF JOHNSON PARK FROM JEFFERSON COUNTY TO THE CITY OF WHEAT RIDGE

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 14.12 of the Home Rule Charter, C.R.S. §§ 29-1-201 and 203, and Colo. Const. Art. XIV, § 18(2)(a), the City of Wheat Ridge is authorized to enter into cooperative agreements with other governmental entities to provide any function, service or facility each is authorized to undertake; and

WHEREAS, four parcels of real property operated as public parks (Panorama Park, Paramount Park, Randall Park and a portion of Johnson Park) are located in and have been maintained by the City of Wheat Ridge since its incorporation in 1969; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned parcels represent the last vestiges of the now defunct Wheat Ridge Recreation District that have not yet been transferred to the City's ownership subsequent to the incorporation of Wheat Ridge and the dissolution of the District; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned parcels appear to remain in the titled ownership of Jefferson County; and

WHEREAS, the County's Open Space Tax was not approved by the voters until 1972, accordingly no County open space tax dollars have been used for the acquisition, maintenance or operations of these City parks; and

WHEREAS, these four parks are and have been used for active and passive recreation by the residents of the City of Wheat Ridge and surrounding communities for the past 50 years; and


WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to formally request of the Jefferson County Board of Commissioners that Panorama Park, Paramount Park, Randall Park and a portion of Johnson Park be retitled to the City of Wheat Ridge.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Wheat Ridge, Colorado:


Section 1. The City of Wheat Ridge, acting by and through its City Council, hereby requests that the Jefferson County Board of Commissioners approve deeds conveying to the City any remaining County title interest in Panorama Park, Paramount Park, Randall Park and a portion of Johnson Park. The Council further authorizes and directs the City Manager, Director of Parks and Recreation, and the City Attorney to prepare such instruments as requested by the County to effect the requested transfer, and authorizes and directs the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the same as needed.

Section 2. This Resolution shall be effective upon adoption.

DONE AND RESOLVED this 26th day of October 2020.



Bud Starker, Mayor

ATTEST


Steve Kirkpatrick, City Clerk

