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City of Wheat Ridge Expands In-Person Services and Continues to Provide City Services Online

WHEAT RIDGE, Colo. June 5, 2020 – The City of Wheat Ridge is preparing to expand the ways by which the public is served while continuing to conduct business by phone, email and online in order to help control the spread of COVID-19. Since the start of the pandemic and the initial facility closures, many processes have been streamlined and improved to allow for greater online access including form submissions, business license renewals and building permit applications and inspections. City Council will also continue meeting virtually through June. Staff also created a virtual recreation center featuring prerecorded and live videos.

This week, summer camp began at the Wheat Ridge Recreation Center and playgrounds, the Discovery Skate Park, and tennis and basketball courts reopened with some modifications regarding the numbers of players per state and county Safer at Home orders.

Beginning Tuesday, June 16, members of the public requiring in-person assistance and who are unable to get the assistance they need online or by phone will be able to make appointments with staff Tuesdays and Thursdays between 8:30-11:30 a.m. and 1-4 p.m. Members of the public should contact the appropriate staff person to make an appointment. [More information.](#)

Wheat Ridge Parks and Recreation is implementing a phased approach to reopening that complies with the current state and federal recommendations and adheres to strict safety protocols for both patrons and staff and will reopen the Recreation Center and the indoor pool beginning June 10, 2020. The Anderson Park Pool will be closed for the summer and the Active Adult Center will remain closed until further notice. The phased safe return plan includes reduced facility capacities, limiting gatherings, enforcing social distancing guidelines, enhancing cleaning and sanitization efforts, and using PPE.

With the recent update to state orders, residents are welcome back to the Recreation Center beginning Wednesday, June 10, 2020.

Temporary Hours

Monday – Friday	8 a.m. – 7 p.m.
Saturday	8 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Sunday	10 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Amenities are open to Wheat Ridge residents only for individual workouts on the fitness floor, Pilates reformer classes (schedule TBD), lap swimming, limited leisure pool swimming, racquetball and massage therapy.

During this first phase the following amenities are not available: drop-in group fitness classes, fitness studio, gym (basketball, volleyball), climbing wall, sauna, steam room, hot tub, child care, lockers, or rentals. Drinking fountains will not be available, but the bottle filler stations can be used to refill personal water bottles.

Reservations are required due to limited capacity and can be made online at www.rootedinfun.com/register or by calling 303-231-1300. [For full details about activities and restrictions.](#)

Anderson Building & Pool

- Anderson Pool is closed for the 2020 summer season.
- Cycling classes are being moved from the Wheat Ridge Rec Center to the Anderson Building – schedule TBA.
- Gym rentals at the Anderson Building will be available for small groups of 10 or less.

Active Adult Center

- Closed until further notice.

More details about Parks and Recreation services and programs are available at [RootedinFun.com](https://www.rootedinfun.com) [For more on accessing City Services](#)

The **City of Wheat Ridge**, located west of Denver with a population of 31,000 residents, is home to a mix of retail/commercial businesses and unique residential neighborhoods. Wheat Ridge is a vibrant community in a prime location, providing easy access to the Denver metro area and to recreation west into the mountains. The City was recently ranked Top Smallest City by the Economic Development Council of Colorado. Info about Wheat Ridge ci.wheatridge.co.us

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