Gladstone's New Parking Fee for Meldrum Bar Park

Frequently Asked Questions

Why will Gladstone charge a parking fee at Meldrum Bar Park? How much is the new fee?

The new parking fee – \$3 per day or \$40 annually – will help the City of Gladstone pay for operating and maintaining Meldrum Bar Park. The park is a regional attraction, and draws many visitors from outside the city. Currently, only Gladstone taxpayers support park costs.

When does the new parking fee take effect?

The new fee takes effect in June 2021, once the automated pay station has been installed and is operational.

Who will pay the parking fee?

Non-residents will pay the fee.

Do disabled visitors need to pay the parking fee?

Disabled visitors with a valid Oregon State Parks Disabled Veteran's or disability parking permit will not be required to pay the new parking fee.

How can Gladstone residents get a parking pass?

Residents can obtain a free parking pass by applying at City Hall – 18505 Portland Avenue. Please bring a Photo ID, such as a government-issued identification and something that shows your current address (piece of mail addressed to you, or a lease or sales agreement for your home, etc.)

What if you live in an apartment?

Parking passes are available to apartment renters and other renters through the same method as homeowners.

Does the landlord or renter get the pass? What if the renter gets the pass?

One pass per address will be issued with proof of address. For apartment renters, the passes can be attached to your unit number. Those who rent houses may need to coordinate with the property owner.

Where can visitors purchase a parking pass?

Fees can be paid onsite at an automated pay station at the park entrance. The pay station will accept credit card payments only.

Do other regional parks charge for parking?

Many other regional parks already charge for parking. (See box below.)

Does Gladstone plan to charge a parking fee at other parks?

The City has no plans to charge for parking at other parks.

Where can I get more information?

More information is available on the City's website: www.ci.gladstone.or.us, or you can email contactform@ci.gladstone.or.us or telephone the City: 503-656-5225.

Parking Fees for Regional Parks (2021)
Metro: Oxbow Park, Blue Lake Park, Broughton Beach, Chinook Landing Marine Park,
M. James Gleason Boat Ramp
\$5 per day – reservation must be purchased 10 business days in advance
\$40 per year; discounts for seniors (\$30) and disabled (\$10)
Barton Park/ Boones Ferry Marina/ Carver Park/ Eagle Fern Park/ Feyrer Park/ Hebb
Park/ Madrone Wall/ Metzler Park
\$6 per day– without trailer; \$2 per day with trailer
\$50 1-year pass
\$80 2-year pass
Washington Park/Oregon Zoo/Japanese Garden/Rose Garden
\$2 per hour; \$8 per day
Willamette Park
\$1 per hour; \$6 per day – without trailer
\$5 per day – with trailer
\$75 seasonal pass (February-May)
Meldrum Bar Park
\$3 per day
\$40 per year
Free – Gladstone residents