

1 Introduced by Council Members Bowman, Priestly Jackson, Salem,  
2 Morgan, Pittman, Carrico, White, Diamond, Becton and Ferraro:

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5 **ORDINANCE 2022-56**

6 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 123 (PUBLIC FEES);  
7 CREATING A NEW SECTION 123.108 (MILITARY AND  
8 VETERANS' APPRECIATION PROGRAM; REDUCTION OF  
9 CERTAIN PARK FEES FOR MILITARY AND VETERANS),  
10 PART ONE (IN GENERAL), CHAPTER 123 (PUBLIC  
11 FEES), ORDINANCE CODE, TO CODIFY A PERMANENT  
12 PROGRAM FOR REDUCED ADMISSION AT CERTAIN PARKS;  
13 PROVIDING FOR CITY OVERSIGHT BY THE PARKS,  
14 RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT;  
15 DIRECTIVE TO LEGISLATIVE SERVICES; DIRECTIVE TO  
16 CITY WEBMASTER; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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18 **WHEREAS**, the City of Jacksonville ("City") recognizes the strong  
19 presence of active military service members and veterans living in  
20 Jacksonville and the surrounding communities; and

21 **WHEREAS**, through Ordinance 2021-212-E, the City created a pilot  
22 program to reduce the park admission fees for active service members  
23 and veterans by ½ for admission to Kathryn Abbey Hanna Park and  
24 Huguenot Memorial Park; and

25 **WHEREAS**, finding that the pilot program was successful, the  
26 Council now finds that the fee reduction program should be made  
27 permanent through creation of a new section in the Ordinance Code,  
28 Section 123.108; now therefore

29 **BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the City of Jacksonville:

30 **Section 1. Creating a new Section 123.108 (Military and**  
31 **Veterans' Appreciation Program; Reduction of certain park fees for**

1 **military and veterans), Part 1 (In General), Chapter 123 (Public**  
2 **Fees), Ordinance Code.** Section 123.108 (Military and Veterans'  
3 Appreciation Program; Reduction of certain park fees for military and  
4 veterans), Part 1 (In General), Chapter 123 (Public Fees), *Ordinance*  
5 *Code*, is hereby created to add a new section as follows:

6 **CHAPTER 123. PUBLIC FEES.**

7 **PART 1. IN GENERAL.**

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9 **Sec. 123.108. Military and Veterans' Appreciation Program;**  
10 **Reduction of certain park fees for military and veterans.**

11 There is hereby approved and adopted within the City a "Military and  
12 Veterans' Appreciation Program." The Parks, Recreation and Community  
13 Services Department is authorized to reduce current daily admission  
14 fees by ½ for fees charged at Kathryn Abbey Hanna Park and Huguenot  
15 Memorial Park (which may be applied to car, pedestrian and biker  
16 admission but not on annual passes) for all active military service  
17 members, veterans, and their immediate family members (spouse and  
18 children with valid military identification), regardless of residency  
19 in Jacksonville. In order to qualify for the reduced admission fees,  
20 the active military service member or veteran (or their immediate  
21 family member), must produce at the park entrance at the time of  
22 admission a state issued military ID, DD214 ID, or veteran ID.

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24 **Section 2. Directive to Legislative Division.** The Chief of  
25 the Legislative Services Division is hereby directed to forward a copy  
26 of the enacted legislation to the City webmaster at [webmaster@coj.net](mailto:webmaster@coj.net)  
27 for immediate fee updates to [hppt://www.coj.net/fees](http://www.coj.net/fees), as authorized  
28 in this Ordinance.

29 **Section 3. Directive to the City Webmaster.** The City  
30 webmaster shall update the [hppt://www.coj.net/fees](http://www.coj.net/fees) to reflect the  
31 following notation under the fees listed for Kathryn Abbey Hanna Park

1 and Huguenot Memorial Park: *"\* Active duty military, veterans, and*  
2 *their immediate family receive ½ off admission with military ID,*  
3 *DD214 DD, or a veteran ID per Ordinance 2022-\_\_\_-E."*

4       **Section 3.       Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become  
5 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective  
6 without the Mayor's signature.

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9 Form Approved:

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11       /s/ Paige H. Johnston      

12 Office of General Counsel

13 Legislation prepared by: Paige H. Johnston

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