

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION  
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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**Bill Type and Number:** Ordinance 2021-142

**Introducer/Sponsor(s):** Council Member Dennis

**Date of Introduction:** March 9, 2021

**Committee(s) of Reference:** NCSPHS, F, R

**Date of Analysis:** March 8, 2021

**Type of Action:** Charter amendment

**Bill Summary:** The bill amends Section 123.107 (Exemptions), Part 1 (In General), Chapter 123 (Public Fees), *Ordinance Code*.

**Background Information:** The amendment adds Gold Star Families as an exemption from admission fees from various parks. The application and verification process will be completed through the Military and Veterans Affairs Department. The Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Department will issue all approved families an annual pass for admission to all City parks. The yearly pass is subject to an annual renewal through the Military and Veterans Affairs Department.

**Policy Impact Area:** Park fees, Gold star families

**Fiscal Impact:** Minimal loss of revenue from the fee exemption

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