

1 Introduced by Council Members Bowman, Priestly Jackson, Salem,
2 Morgan, Pittman, Carrico, White, Diamond, Becton and Ferraro and Co-
3 Sponsored by Council Members DeFoor, Gaffney, Boylan, Freeman, and
4 Carlucci:

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7 **ORDINANCE 2022-56-E**

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

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

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

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

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

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

8 **CHAPTER 123. PUBLIC FEES.**

9 **PART 1. IN GENERAL.**

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

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

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

31 **Section 3. Directive to the City Webmaster.** The City

1 webmaster shall update the hppt://www.coj.net/fees to reflect the
2 following notation under the fees listed for Kathryn Abbey Hanna Park
3 and Huguenot Memorial Park: *"* Active duty military, veterans, and
4 their immediate family receive ½ off admission with military ID,
5 DD214 ID, or a veteran ID per Ordinance 2022-56-E."*

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

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11 Form Approved:

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13 /s/ Paige H. Johnston

14 Office of General Counsel

15 Legislation prepared by: Paige H. Johnston

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