

**ESTABLISHMENT OF A FREE SPEECH ZONE
DRAPER DAYS CELEBRATION
JULY 10 - 18, 2026**

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Draper City Municipal Code §13-5-040 authorizes the Draper City Manager to designate a content-neutral free speech zone for events where such a zone would serve a substantial government interest, including traffic flow, crowd control, or public safety on public property; and

WHEREAS, Draper City hosts the annual Draper Days Celebration (the "Event") from July 10-18, 2026, at the city-owned Draper City Park, located at approximately 12501 South 1300 East, Draper, Utah; and

WHEREAS, Draper City Park spans approximately 21 acres, including adjacent recreational facilities used to host the Event; and

WHEREAS, the Event includes activities such as a children's bike parade, concerts, fireworks, food and product vendors, a parade, pancake breakfast, children's activities, and other interactive displays; and

WHEREAS, the Event attracts approximately 15,000 to 25,000 visitors per day, in addition to employees, volunteers, vendors, and participants; and

WHEREAS, multiple access points to Draper City Park accommodate pedestrians, cyclists, and vehicles; and

WHEREAS, Draper City seeks to establish a free speech zone to enable individuals ("Advocates") to exercise their First Amendment rights while ensuring safe traffic flow, effective crowd control, and the safety of all Event attendees and participants; and

WHEREAS, the designated free speech zone is strategically located and adequately sized to allow Advocates to communicate their messages effectively to Event attendees while accommodating the anticipated number of Advocates.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE DRAPER CITY MANAGER HEREBY ESTABLISHES A FREE SPEECH ZONE AS FOLLOWS:

1. **Free Speech Zone Established.** A free speech zone is established at Draper City Park as depicted on the attached map.

a. **Event Description:** The Draper Days celebration, held at Draper City Park, located at approximately 12501 South 1300 East, Draper, Utah.

b. **Event Boundaries:** Refer to the attached map.

c. **Free Speech Zone Location:** See the attached map.

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2. **Hours of Regulation.**

a. July 16, 2026: 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. (Children’s Bike Parade)

b. July 17, 2026: 5:00 p.m. -- 11:00 p.m. (Park Activities, Concert, and Drone Show)

c. July 18, 2026: 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m. (Parade, Pancake Breakfast, Park Activities, Concert, and Fireworks)

3. **Restrictions.**

a. **Traffic Flow.** Advocates shall not engage in activities that obstruct or impede pedestrians or vehicles.

b. **Physical Contact.** Advocates shall not initiate physical contact with bystanders.

c. **City or Private Property.** Advocates shall not attach banners, signs, pictures, instructional materials, symbols, or other personal property to city or private property by tying, nailing, or other physical means.

4. **Sound Amplification.** The use of mechanical loudspeakers or sound amplification devices, including but not limited to megaphones, bullhorns, and electric amplifiers, is prohibited within the free speech zone during the Event’s regulated hours to ensure the safety of spectators and participants.

5. Findings.

a. Free Speech Zone. Establishment of a free speech zone serves the following substantial governmental interests: (i) Providing a safe space for Advocates to exercise their free speech rights; (ii) Ensuring safe ingress and egress for vehicular and pedestrian traffic to the arena, including, but not limited to, spectators, participants and their vehicles and equipment, vendors and employees, and security and emergency personnel and their vehicles and equipment; (iii) Protecting the safety of participants, spectators, hosts, security and emergency personnel, and any other members of the public attending this Event throughout the Event.

b. Amplification. Establishment of the above restrictions on the use of the sound amplification devices is narrowly tailored to achieve the following significant governmental interests: (i) Ensuring all participants in the Event are able to hear official city announcements, including those that may relate to crowd control, traffic control, and public health and safety without competing sound amplification from unofficial sources; (ii) Ensuring that Advocates have a reasonable opportunity to communicate their message to participants and attendees, and (iii) Protecting the safety of participants, spectators, hosts, security and emergency personnel, and any other members of the public attending this Event throughout the Event.

6. Publication of Notice. The Communications Director shall make this document and its accompanying map available to the public at least twenty-four (24) hours before the start of the Event.

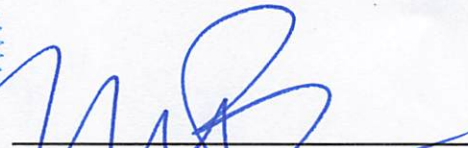
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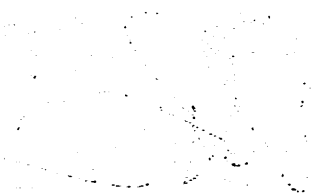
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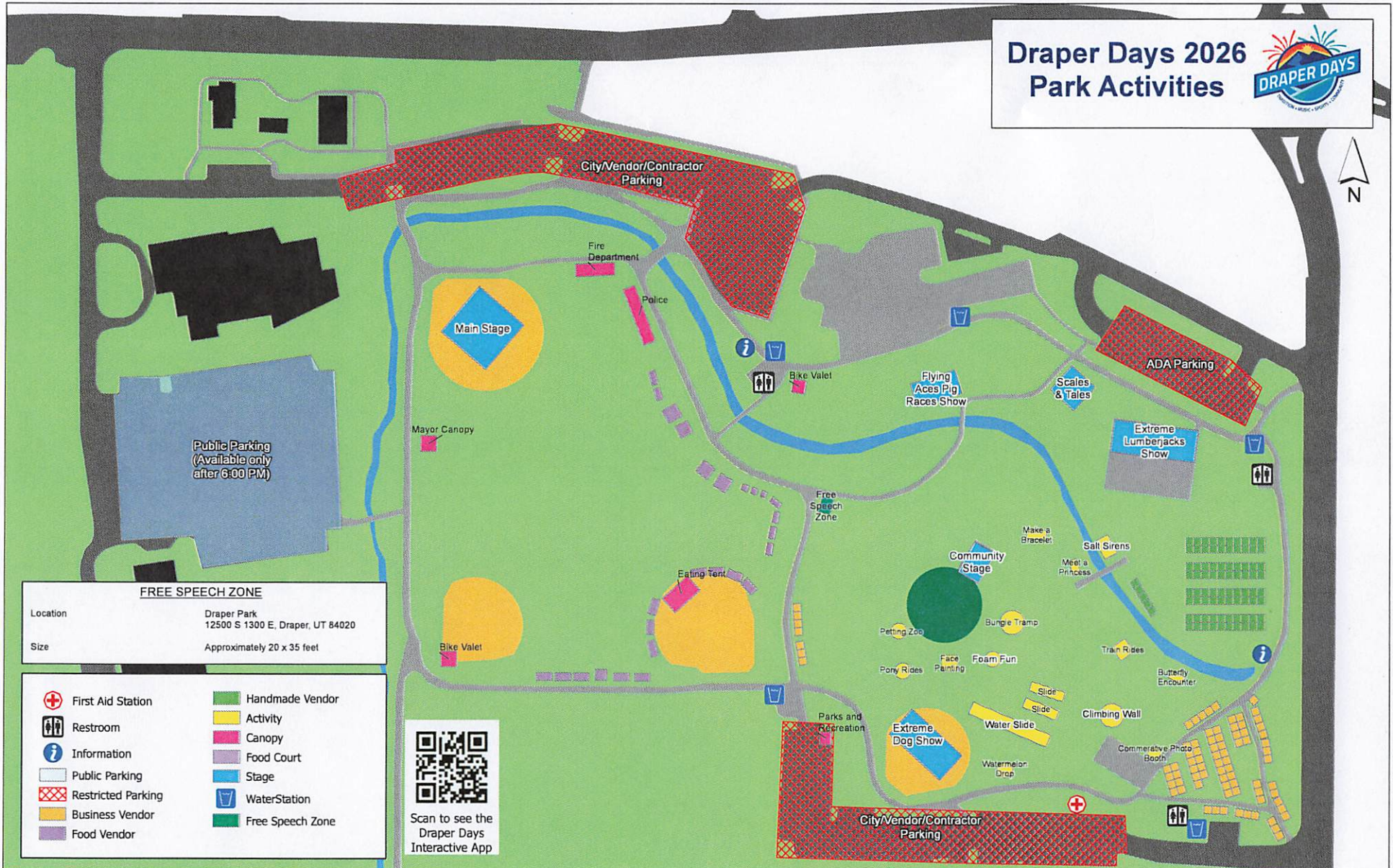


Mike Barker, City Manager

FREE SPEECH ZONE MAP



Draper Days 2026 Park Activities



FREE SPEECH ZONE

Location Draper Park
12500 S 1300 E, Draper, UT 84020

Size Approximately 20 x 35 feet

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| First Aid Station | Handmade Vendor |
| Restroom | Activity |
| Information | Canopy |
| Public Parking | Food Court |
| Restricted Parking | Stage |
| Business Vendor | WaterStation |
| Food Vendor | Free Speech Zone |



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