

**THE ROSE GARDEN**  
**at**  
**GUSSIE FIELD WATTERWORTH PARK**  
**RENTAL POLICY**



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**City of Farmers Branch  
Rental Agreement  
The Rose Garden at Gussie Field Watterworth Park Use Agreement**

Introduction: The Rose Garden at Gussie Field Watterworth Park is operated by the City of Farmers Branch as a division of the Parks and Recreation Department. We appreciate your consideration of our garden for your event. Please keep in mind that our primary function is to educate the public about EarthKind gardening. Due to the changing nature of the garden the City is not able to guarantee or predict when the roses are in bloom. In planning your function, we hope you will explore the beautiful garden and have a most successful wedding, reception, luncheon, tea or party.

We encourage rental activities that are consistent with the variety and beauty of the site. In recognition of the fragile nature of the garden, we believe that sensible rules are appropriate to ensure the continued condition of the garden.

Reservations will be taken up to one (1) year in advance of the event.

Reservations will be made only after renter has read, agreed to abide by, signed the contract, and paid the rental fee/security deposit (see page 11), and/or provided written documentation of meeting \*hotel/motel requirements if applicable.

\*Non-Resident renter must use a minimum of \$1,000.00 worth of Farmers Branch hotel/motel business and pay rental rates (see page 11) to qualify for use of the Rose Garden at Gussie Field Watterworth Park. OR rent space at the Farmers Branch Historical Park for a Gussie Field Watterworth Park Rose Garden related function. Non-resident rental rates for the Historical Park, with a Gussie Field Watterworth Park Rose Garden function, are full price if not done in conjunction with \$1,000 worth of Farmers Branch hotel/motel business.

**Hours:**

Sunday – Saturday                      6:00 AM to 10:00 PM

**Please make an appointment to view the garden or submit paperwork.**

**972-919-2620**

## **GENERAL REGULATIONS**

### **FEES (see page 11)**

The rental fees/security deposit are due at the time of reservation. Reservations will be made when rental fees/security deposit have been paid and all paperwork, including official written documentation of Farmers Branch hotel/motel usage, if applicable, is complete.

### **DEPOSIT (see page 11)**

The rental fees and security deposit are deposited. Security deposits are refundable seven (7) to fourteen (14) working days after the scheduled reservation and/or when all conditions of the contract are met—non-damage to the garden or surrounding property, cleaning, trash removal, decorating requirements, and rental equipment removal. All refunds are subject to the final discretion of the Park Landscape Manager.

### **CANCELLATION POLICY**

If rental agreement is canceled in writing thirty (30) days or more in advance, the security deposit and rental fees are refundable. If written notice is received less than thirty (30) days prior to the event, the security deposit and all rental fees can be forfeited. If paying by check and the check is returned (insufficient funds), reservations will automatically cancel. The check writer will be held liable for non-sufficient fund charges in accordance with current City policy.

### **HOTEL/MOTEL CANCELLATION**

If hotel/motel rooms have been cancelled, the reservation is automatically cancelled and the above stated cancellation policy becomes effective. It is the responsibility of the renter to notify City staff (contact information on contract) in writing if a change in hotel/motel selection has occurred.

**LIABILITY**

All renters agree to pay for any damage done to the garden and surrounding property by themselves, their guests, caterers, or hired staff during or pertaining to their rentals. A signed contract covering this aspect will be required at the time of rental application (see General Statement of Understanding page 13). If damage should occur, notification will be given to the renter as soon as damages and replacement, repair and/or clean up costs have been determined. If replacement, repair and/or clean up by City staff is required, the renter will be financially responsible for the cost of the replacement, repair and/or clean up not covered by the deposit. The City of Farmers Branch is not responsible for anyone injured on the premises, personal property left on the site, or rental equipment. For the safety of guests and visitors to the Garden, aircraft such as helicopters, hot air balloons, etc. will not be allowed to land or take off from the property without the written approval of the Director of Parks and Recreation.

**ALCOHOL**

**Possession/Consumption of alcoholic beverages on City property, including the Rose Garden at Gussie Field Watterworth Park (grounds and structures) is PROHIBITED, with certain exceptions, by Chapter 50 of the Farmers Branch Code of Ordinances. If a member of your party is found in violation of Chapter 50 the following will occur:**

- 1) You and your party will be asked to leave the premises immediately.**
- 2) You and each member of your party in violation of Chapter 50 will be dealt with accordingly.**
- 3) You will forfeit the right to receive your security deposit back.**