



City of North Mankato
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North Mankato, MN 56003
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BENSON PARK

2000 Carlson Dr, North Mankato, MN 56003

Benson Park is a 69-acre regional park founded in 1997. Much of the land was used as agricultural land before the City obtained it. The park is named for the Benson family to recognize their service to the City of North Mankato. With its picnic tables, grill and playground it makes Benson Park an ideal place to hold your family reunion, company picnic or graduation.

Check availability online or by contacting City Hall at 625-4141. The cost is \$100 per day. If you plan to have a keg at your event, there is a \$300 damage deposit and \$30 keg permit fee required. If you plan to use a microphone and speakers at your event, an Audio Permit is required with a \$25 fee. Park hours are from 4 A.M. to 10 P.M.

Amenities for enclosed shelter

Electricity
Drinking Fountain

Charcoal Grill
Indoor Restrooms
10 Picnic Tables

Countertop for Buffet-Style Serving
Lights

The restrooms are connected to the enclosed shelter. Trash cans with bags are supplied at each shelter. Large groups may wish to bring in extra bags which can be tied up and left by the cans.

One week before the event: If any tents are to be used or staking of any type is to be done you must contact **Gopher State One Call** at 800-252-1166. They need to locate the underground water and power lines, so they are not damaged.

PARK RULES AND REGULATIONS

The following rules and regulations have been set by the City Code which applies to all parks and is enforced:

PROHIBITED:

- *Vehicles are not allowed to be parked or driven on the grass for any reason without permission from the Park Dept.
- *Glass containers.
- *Campfires / Bonfires / Fire rings.
- *Snowmobiles / ATVs.
- *Audio equipment may not be played so loud as to interfere with the reasonable use of the park by others.
All audio devices shall end at 10 p.m. *An Audio Permit must be completed, and approved by City Council for all amplified sound.*

ALLOWED:

- *Personal grills may be brought in.
- *Pets (Allowed in Benson Park, Spring Lake Park and Bluff Park only).
- *Keg beer is allowed only with a permit.
- *Hog roasts are allowed in the parks on hard-surfaced lots only.

****SHELTER NEEDS TO BE RETURNED TO THE CONDITION IT WAS FOUND, INCLUDING ANY MOVEMENT OF TABLES, NEED TO BE RETURNED TO THEIR ORIGINAL LOCATION. FAILURE TO DO SO WILL RESULT IN REVOCATION OF RENTAL PRIVILEGES FOR ALL NORTH MANKATO COMMUNITY ROOMS AND SHELTERS.****