

## JEFFERSON PARKWAY PUBLIC HIGHWAY AUTHORITY

### RULES

#### RELATED TO REQUESTS FOR INSPECTION OF PUBLIC RECORDS PURSUANT TO THE COLORADO OPEN RECORDS ACT, SECTIONS 24-72-200.1 *et seq.*, C.R.S.

**WHEREAS**, the Jefferson Parkway Public Highway Authority (the "Authority") is a public highway authority operating pursuant to Sections 43-4-501 *et seq.*, C.R.S.; and

**WHEREAS**, the Authority is a political subdivision for purposes of the Colorado Open Records Act, Sections 24-72-200.1 *et seq.*, C.R.S., as may be amended from time to time, ("CORA"), as defined in Section 24-72-201(5), C.R.S., and is thus subject to CORA; and

**WHEREAS**, the Authority has designated an "Official Custodian," as that term is defined in Section 24-72-202(2), C.R.S., who is responsible for the maintenance, care, and keeping of the Authority's public records, regardless of whether the records are in his or her actual personal custody and control; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 24-72-203(1)(a), C.R.S., the Official Custodian may make such rules with reference to the inspection of public records as are reasonably necessary for the protection of such records and the prevention of unnecessary interference with the regular discharge of the duties of the custodian and the custodian's office; and

**WHEREAS**, the Official Custodian finds it is necessary and in the best interests of the Authority to adopt certain rules with reference to the inspection of its public records.

#### **NOW, THEREFORE, THE OFFICIAL CUSTODIAN MAKES AND ADOPTS THE FOLLOWING RULES WITH REFERENCE TO THE INSPECTION OF THE JEFFERSON PARKWAY PUBLIC HIGHWAY AUTHORITY'S PUBLIC RECORDS:**


1. Inspection of Public Records. All "Public Records" of the Authority, as such term is defined in Section 24-72-202(6), C.R.S., shall be available for public inspection by any person at reasonable times as provided in CORA, except as otherwise provided in CORA or as otherwise provided by law. All requests to inspect Public Records shall be in writing and delivered to the Official Custodian or his or her designee. Upon the receipt of a written request to inspect Public Records, the Official Custodian or his or her designee shall set a date and hour at which time requested Public Records will be available for inspection, which date and hour of inspection shall be between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M., Mountain Standard Time, three (3) working days or less from the date such Public Records were requested for inspection unless extenuating circumstances exist as provided in Section 24-72-203(3)(b), C.R.S. The day the request is received, weekends, and legally recognized holidays shall not count as a working day for the purposes of computing the date set for inspection of Public Records. A modification to a request or Public Records is considered a new request.

2. Notification for Inspecting Public Records Not Under Control of the Official Custodian. If the Public Records requested are not in the custody or control of the Official Custodian, the Official Custodian or his or her designee shall notify the person requesting to inspect such records that said records are not in the custody or control of the Official Custodian. The notification shall state in detail to the best of the Official Custodian's knowledge and belief, the reason for the absence of the records, the location of the records, and what person has custody or controls the records.
3. Notification for Inspecting Public Records in Use or Otherwise Unavailable. If the Public Records requested are in active use, in storage, or otherwise not readily available at the time requested, the Official Custodian or his or her designee shall notify the person requesting to inspect the Public Records of the status of the Public Records. Such notification shall be made in writing if desired by the person requesting to inspect the Public Records.
4. Copies of Public Records. Within the period specified in Section 24-72-203(3), C.R.S., the Official Custodian shall notify the person requesting a copy of the Public Records that a copy of the Public Records are available but will only be sent to the requester once the Official Custodian either receives payment or makes arrangements for receiving payment for all costs associated with records transmission and for all other fees lawfully allowed, unless recovery of all or any portion of such costs or fees has been waived by the Official Custodian. Upon either receiving such payment or making arrangements to receive such payment at a later date, the Official Custodian shall send a copy of the Public Records to the requester as soon as practicable but no more than three (3) working days after receipt of, or making arrangements to receive, such payment.
5. Fees for Copies of Public Records. The Official Custodian or his or her designee shall furnish, for a fee as set forth herein, a copy, printout, or photograph of the Authority's Public Records requested by the person requesting said Public Records. The fee shall be twenty-five cents (\$0.25) per standard page, or such other maximum amount as authorized by Section 24-72-205(5), C.R.S., for a copy of the Public Records except as follows:
  - a. When the format is other than a standard page, the fee shall not exceed the actual cost of providing the copy;
  - b. If other facilities are necessary to make a copy of the Public Record, the cost of providing the copy at the other facilities shall be paid by the person requesting the copy;
  - c. If the Public Record is a result of computer output other than word processing, the fee for a copy, printout, or photograph thereof may be based on recovery of the actual incremental costs of providing the electronic services and products together with a reasonable portion of the costs associated with building and maintaining the information system;
  - d. If, in response to a specific request, the Authority has performed a manipulation of data so as to generate a record in a form not used by the Authority, a reasonable fee may be charged to the person making the request, which fee shall not exceed the actual costs of manipulating the data and generating the record in accordance of the request; and

- e. Where the fee for a certified copy or other copy, printout, or photograph of a Public Record is specifically prescribed by law, that specific fee shall apply in lieu of the fee(s) set forth herein.
6. Transmission Fees. In addition to the fees set forth above, where transmission of a certified copy or other copy, printout, or photograph of a Public Record is requested by the person requesting the Public Records by United States mail or other non-electronic delivery service, the Official Custodian or his or her designee may charge the costs associated with such transmission, except that no transmission fees may be charged to the record requester for transmitting Public Records via electronic mail.
7. Research and Retrieval Fees. In addition to the fees set forth above, in accordance with Section 24-72-205(6), C.R.S., the Official Custodian or his or her designee may charge a nominal research and retrieval fee of \$30.00 per hour, or such other maximum hourly fee as may be adjusted from time to time pursuant to Section 24-72-205(6)(b), C.R.S., for time spent by the Authority's directors, employees, agents and consultants researching, retrieving, gathering, collecting, compiling, preparing, redacting, and/or otherwise manipulating records in order to respond to a request for Public Records. Provided, however, that such research and retrieval fee may not be imposed for the first hour of time expense in connection with such research and retrieval activities related to a request for Public Records, but may be imposed for each subsequent hour.
8. Payment of Fees. All fees associated with production of the Authority's Public Records requested by the person inspecting said Public Records, as set forth above, shall be paid by the person inspecting said Public Records before or contemporaneously with the delivery or inspection of said Public Records.
9. In Force Until Amended or Repealed. These rules of the Official Custodian shall remain in full force and effect unless and until such time as they are amended or repealed regardless of any change in the designation of the Official Custodian of the Authority.

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ADOPTED, APPROVED AND MADE EFFECTIVE THIS 7th DAY OF  
AUGUST, 2018.



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Official Custodian of Public Records  
Jefferson Parkway Public Highway Authority