RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 305326

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE OCT 27 2009

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO ADOPTING AND REVISING SELECTED DEVELOPMENT USER FEES.

WHEREAS, the Development Services Development is responsible for managing the land development review process from concept to completion in The City of San Diego; and

WHEREAS, the Development Services Enterprise Fund was established in 1985 and funds the development project review and inspection services and is supported solely from fees paid by customers (fee-for-service); and

WHEREAS, in order to maintain the fiscal soundness of the Development Services

Department Enterprise Fund, fee changes are proposed based on the results of a fee study

conducted by the Department's fee consultant, Wohlford Consulting; and

WHEREAS, overall department expenses have increased by over 6.0% while labor costs have increased by 4.0%; and

WHEREAS, the fee changes are proposed to meet established levels of service, to provide for full cost recoverability, and to provide sufficient resources to continue to improve the quality of the mandated regulatory review process; and

WHEREAS, the proposed fees would provide for continued maintenance of information technology costs to improve department efficiency and enhance responsiveness to customers; and

WHEREAS, the proposed fee changes would include an annual cost inflator at the beginning of each fiscal year for direct cost increases or decreases based on Council approved

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changes in staff salary and fringe benefit costs, and on increases or decreases in direct overhead costs being passed on to the Department as determined by the Office of the Comptroller; and

WHEREAS, the proposed fee changes reflect the estimated reasonable cost of providing the service for which the fees are charged; and

WHEREAS, the proposed fee changes consolidate fee types and eliminate unnecessary fee categories; and

WHEREAS, hourly charges will be increased by 11.4% to recover the fair share of department reserves per City Council reserve policy; and

WHEREAS, on September 2, 2009 the Committee on Land Use and Housing voted 4-0 to recommend approval of the proposed fee changes; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that the new and revised development user fees listed in Attachment 1 of Report No. 09-090 on file in the office of the City Clerk as Document No. RR- $\underline{305326}$  is approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the new and revised developer user fees listed in Attachment 1 of Report No. 09-090 shall be operational no later than the sixtieth day after the final passage of this resolution.

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