



Development Services Department

FY 2013 Proposed User Fees

Budget & Finance Committee

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Background:

- DSD has 11 fees subject to the General Fund User Fee Policy
- Per the policy, the adjustments bring existing fee levels in-line with service costs to ensure target cost recovery
- All fees are related to the cost of the service provided
- Most NCC Division fees have not been updated since 2004
 - Fees associated with the administrative cost of issuing noise and news rack permits
 - Fees for cost of reinspecting property for building, housing or zoning compliance
 - Fees for time spent closing a Notice of Violation case filed with County of San Diego, and if appealed



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Background cont.:

- Planning Division Mills Act fees have not been adjusted since adoption in 2008
 - Fee for requesting a Mills Act Program Agreement
 - Fee for monitoring terms of an approved Mills Act agreement
 - Fee for as-needed enforcement of terms of an adopted Mills Act agreement

General Plan Maintenance Fee

- Adjusted for inflation during proposed FY 2011 budget process per the new fee policy
- Supports annual appropriations for:
 - General Plan maintenance, Housing Element update, community plan updates, funding match for grants, other special projects



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General Plan Maintenance Fee cont.

- Proposed FY 2013 adjustment based on a comprehensive review of FY 2009-2011 plan update/maintenance costs
 - No comprehensive cost analysis performed since adoption of the fee in 1991
- The proposed fee amount represents a 56% cost recovery rate based on actual FY 2011 expenditures
 - During FY 2009-2011, actual GPMF revenue has averaged 36%
- The division has been reorganized to devote more staff resources to the General Fund work program as long range project demands and grant match requirements have increased



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Fee Title	Unit of Measurement	Current Fee	Proposed Fee	Proposed Cost Recovery
Mills Act Application Fee	Per Item	\$ 590.00	\$ 456.00	100%
Mills Act Enforcement Fee	Per Item	\$ 949.00	\$ 750.00	100%
Mills Act Monitoring Fee	Per Item	\$ 492.00	\$ 232.00	100%
General Plan Maintenance Fee	Per Permit Application	\$ 108.00	\$ 275.00	56%



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Fee Title	Unit of Measurement	Current Fee	Proposed Fee	Proposed Cost Recovery
Noise Permit Fee	Per Permit	\$ 40.00	\$ 167.00	100%
Reinspection Fees-Building	Per Reinspection	\$ 105.00	\$ 288.00	100%
Reinspection Fees-Housing	Per Reinspection	\$ 105.00	\$ 288.00	100%
Reinspection Fees-Zoning	Per Reinspection	\$ 98.00	\$ 269.00	100%
Removal of Recorded Notice of Violation Fee - No Appeal	Per Notice	\$ 766.00	\$ 625.00	100%
Removal of Recorded Notice of Violation Fee - With Appeal	Per Notice	\$ 976.00	\$ 967.00	100%
News Rack Permit Fee	Per Permit	\$ 15.00	\$ 20.00	43%



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- Upon adoption, fees would be scheduled for implementation on July 1, 2012
- The City Attorney's Office has deemed all adjustments to be in compliance with Prop 26
- Stakeholder outreach:
 - Historic Resources Board
 - City's Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)
 - Building Industry Association
 - SDRCC Housing Committee



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Questions?