



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

First Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting 08/30/2022
Second Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting 09/06/2022

DATE: August 22, 2022
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Development Services Fee Schedule Adjustments

CAPTION:

Ordinance affirming Development Services fee schedules including fee schedules for Technical Construction Codes, Excavation and Fill, Unified Development Code, Zoning, Beachfront Construction, Dune Protection, and Billboards.

SUMMARY:

Development Services is proposing to adjust existing fees based on plan included in Ordinance 032546. This plan included increasing 46 existing fees, adding 36 new fees, eliminating 12 existing fees, and increasing all non-adjusted fees by 10% in Fiscal Years 2022, 2023, 2024, and 2025.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

Development Services Department had not increased many fees since 2002 until Fiscal Year 2022's budget proposal. After conducting a fee study in 2019, and based on the current construction cost index, it was discovered that Development Services fees were approximately 40% behind cost recovery models. Development Services benchmarked other Texas cities, performed cost of service analyses, and had numerous engagement opportunities with the development community.

During Fiscal Year 2022 budget proposal Development Services developed a four-year plan to adjust fees with the goal of meeting cost recovery models by Fiscal Year 2025. This item affirms that plan and will implement year 2 of the four-year plan.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Fiscal impact for Fiscal Year 2022 – 2023 is anticipated to be:

Development Services: Approximately \$450,000

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the Development Services Department fee schedule adjustments.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Ordinance