

AGENDA MEMORANDUM

First Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting 8/31/2021 Second Reading Ordinance for the City Council Meeting 09/07/21

DATE: August 27, 2021

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DSD Fee Schedule Adjustments

CAPTION:

Ordinance amending Corpus Christi Code for Development Services Department by adjusting fees for Technical Construction Codes, Excavation and Fill, Unified Development Code, Zoning, Beachfront Construction, Dune Protection, and Billboards; adding fees for review and inspections of public infrastructure; modifying the qualifications for reduced fees; and providing an effective date.

SUMMARY:

Development Services Department is proposing an adjustment to the adopted fee schedules. The adjustment includes increasing 46 existing fees, adding 36 new fees, eliminating 12 existing fees, and increasing all non-adjusted fee by 10% in FY 2021-2022. Future increases for all fees of 10% in FY 2022-2023, FY 2023-2024, and FY 2024-2025.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

Development Services Department has not raised many fees since 2002. After conducting a fee study in 2019 and based on the current construction cost index, it was discovered that our fees were approximately 40% behind where they should be. The department benchmarked other Texas cities, performed cost of service analysis, and had numerous discussions with the Development community in developing the proposed fees to be increased.

The fees proposed will be evaluated each year with budget review and adjusted accordingly.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The fiscal impact for FY 2021-2022 is anticipated to be:

Development Services: \$690,463.70 Engineering Services \$600,000

Public Works \$105,185

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the DSD fee schedule adjustments.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Ordinance