

City of Garden Grove

INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

To: Matthew Fertal

From: Dave Bertka

Dept: City Manager

Dept: Fire

Subject: UPDATE OF FIRE DEPARTMENT
FEE SCHEDULE

Date: November 25, 2008

OBJECTIVE

To propose changes to the Fire Department's fee schedule.

BACKGROUND

Earlier this year, the California Fire Code (CFC) was adopted by reference into the Municipal Code. In reviewing the Master Fee schedule, staff has determined that portions of the State Fire Code have changed and do not align with the fee schedule. Specifically, the assembly classifications have changed to reflect two additional occupancy types (A-4, A-5).

DISCUSSION

Prior to the adoption of the CFC, assembly occupancies were defined in three broad classifications with permit fees attached. Currently, there are five classifications of assemblies that have necessitated a need to change the fee schedule, (see attachment). Revenue generated from permit fees will not vary from prior years; the business community will see no increase in fees.

FINANCIAL IMPACTS

There is no financial impact.

COMMUNITY VISION IMPLEMENTATION

The Fire Department assures public safety in part by enforcing State and local codes, which are designed to keep building occupants safe in the event of an emergency.

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RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that City Council:

- Adopt the attached resolution, which contains updated fees that reflect the current California Fire Code assembly classifications.



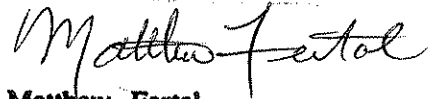
DAVE BERTKA
Fire Chief



By: Mike Bublitz
Division Chief

Attachment 1: Resolution

Recommended for Approval



Matthew Fertal
City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDEN GROVE
ESTABLISHING AND AMENDING PERMIT FEES FOR ASSEMBLIES

WHEREAS, State law authorizes a city to adopt permit fees;

WHEREAS, the Fire Department of the City of Garden Grove have identified certain services provided on request to members of the public and organizations;

WHEREAS, the actual and direct costs of these services to the City have been calculated and analyzed, and where the cost categories and related costs of such services have changed with the adoption of the California Fire Code by reference into the City's Municipal Code, a revised fee or charge has been determined as set forth in attached Schedule A;

WHEREAS, the revised fees and charges are based on the actual cost of providing the service, including labor, materials and overhead, and do not exceed such costs;

WHEREAS, the City Council has previously established fees and charges for various City services in Resolution 8726-06, as amended by Resolutions 8730-06, 8731-06, 8791-07, 8794-07, 8823-08 and each such established fee and charge is unaffected by this Resolution, unless such fee or charge is superseded by a revised fee or charge in attached Schedule A; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Garden Grove does hereby establish revised fees and charges as set forth in attached Schedule A. The revised permit fees in Schedule A supersede the previously adopted Fire Department permit assembly fees.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in order to provide the public an easy-to-understand schedule of fees, the City Clerk is directed to compile and make available upon request an updated schedule of fees and charges for City services that combines: (1) the list of previously-established service fees and charges that are not superseded by this Resolution, with (2) the list of services subject to revised permit fees attached hereto as Schedule A. The combined list is for public information purposes, and clerical or other errors or omissions in the preparation of the list shall not have the effect of increasing, decreasing, invalidating, or waiving adopted fees or charges.

SCHEDULE A

PERMIT FEES FOR ASSEMBLIES

ITALICS--Indicates proposed new fee or fee change.

~~STRIKETHROUGH~~--Indicates existing fee for which a change is proposed.

SECTION 2: FIRE SERVICES

Fire Permit Fees

Places of Assembly, A-1 stage & 1,000 or more occupants.....	\$420.00
Places of Assembly, A-2 stage & 999 or less occupants.....	\$315.00
Places of Assembly, A-2.1 no stage & 300 or more occupants.....	\$210.00
Places of Assembly, A-3 no stage and 50 to 299 occupants.....	\$125.00
<i>A-1 Assembly uses fixed seating, intended for the production and viewing of performing arts or motion pictures.....</i>	<i>\$210.00</i>
<i>A-2 Assembly uses intended for food an/or drink consumption.....</i>	<i>\$125.00</i>
<i>A-3 Assembly of more than 300 intended for worship, recreation or amusement and other assembly Uses not classified elsewhere in A-1, A-2, A-4, and A-5.....</i>	<i>\$210.00</i>
<i>A-3a Assembly 300 or less intended for worship, recreation or amusement and other assembly Uses not classified elsewhere in A-1, A-2, A-4, and A-5.....</i>	<i>\$125.00</i>
<i>A-4 Assembly uses intended for viewing of indoor sporting events and activities with spectator seating.....</i>	<i>\$210.00</i>
<i>A-5 Assembly uses intended participation in or viewing outdoor activities.....</i>	<i>\$210.00</i>