



Finance Committee

Review of 2020 Development Fee Adjustments

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Title

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Recommended Action

Committee Recommendation:

Not referred to a committee.

City Manager Recommendation:

Move to recommend approval of proposed 2020 Development Fee Adjustments and forward to full Council for consideration.

Report

Issue:

Whether to adjust development fees in 2020 as shown in the attached draft ordinance.

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Background and Analysis:

City Council's adopted policy for the Development Services Fund includes a target of 85 percent of the City's cost for review and inspection of development permit applications is to be recovered through application fees. Development engineering fees are adopted in Olympia Municipal Code (OMC) 4.04.010. Building code review and inspection fees are adopted in OMC 4.36.010. Land use development review fees are adopted in OMC 4.04.010.

Annual review of these fees is conducted for closer alignment with this adopted cost recovery target and other City policy goals, as well as comparison with neighboring jurisdictions' fees.

Based on this review, staff recommends the adjustments to land use, engineering and building review/inspection fees included in the attached draft ordinance for 2020.

[Note: ordinance also includes proposed changes to document recording fees, to reflect increases in

fees assessed by the Thurston County Auditor.]

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

Development review and inspection fees are of interest primarily to applicants for those services.

Options:

1. Recommend approval of proposed 2020 Development Fee Adjustments in attached ordinance.
2. Recommend revised 2020 Development Fee Adjustments.
3. Do not recommend approval of proposed 2020 Development Fee Adjustments in attached ordinance.

Financial Impact:

The proposed fee adjustments move closer to, but do not completely reach, the adopted policy of 85 percent cost recovery in all cases, due to consideration of neighboring jurisdictions' fees and other policy goals.

Attachments:

Ordinance