

## FINANCE DEPARTMENT

### Impact Analysis Report

#### **OVERVIEW**

The Finance Department is responsible for collecting, accounting, and monitoring the license and permit fees for Christmas tree and pumpkin patch lots, circuses, carnivals, parades and a number of miscellaneous fees. The Department is also responsible for the Integrated Waste Management (IWM) - related late charges and Medical Marijuana Fees (currently suspended).

It is estimated that the Finance Department fees and charges program for 2013-2014, excluding penalties and non-cost recovery fees, will bring revenues to the City of approximately \$193,000, reflecting a 99.7% cost recovery rate, compared to 2012-2013 revenues of \$454,000 and a cost recovery rate of 99.8%. The significant difference reflects the elimination of the Exempt Business Tax Fee which was approved by the City Council on April 23, 2013.

Medical Marijuana Fees, which were adopted in the 2011-2012 Budget, will continue to be suspended due to the suspension of the Regulatory Ordinance and pending cases in the California Supreme Court.

Late payment charges related to the Solid Waste Delinquency Program and Solid Waste Delinquency Service fees, not subject to cost recovery restrictions, are anticipated to generate approximately \$4.0 million in the Integrated Waste Management (IWM) Fund. This figure reflects recommended increases to the Solid Waste Delinquency fees in 2013-2014.

#### **SUMMARY AND IMPACT OF PROPOSED FEE REVISIONS**

##### Existing Fees

In 2013-2014, a number of the proposed fee changes are recommended, increasing fees to align with staffing costs and indirect overhead costs.

To maintain full cost recovery, 10 fee increases are proposed in the following sections: Administrative Remedies Lien Fee, Business Tax Special Reports, Circus/Carnival/Parade, Collection Fee, Handbill Distributors, Returned Check Fee, Sales, and Sidewalk Lien Administrative Fee. A complete list of proposed fee revisions by service is located in the Summary of Proposed Fee Changes section of this document and in the tables that follow this section.

Recommended increases to three of the Solid Waste Delinquency Fees in 2013-2014 align fees with staffing resources costs, indirect overhead costs, and projected activity levels.

##### Deleted Fees

The elimination of the Exempt Business Tax Fee reflects the City Council approved elimination on April 23, 2013, effective June 1, 2013. The loss in revenues associated with this elimination is included in the 2013-2014 Proposed Operating Budget.

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### ***NOTIFICATION***

The Proposed Fees and Charges Report was released on May 3, 2013, allowing for a minimum of 10 days for public review. Public input on fee proposals will be heard by the City Council at public hearings held on Tuesday, May 14, 2013, at 1:30 p.m. and Monday, June 10, 2013, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

# DEPARTMENTAL FEES AND CHARGES

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Service	2012-2013 Adopted Fee	2012-2013 % Cost Recovery	2013-2014 Proposed Fee	2013-2014 Estimated Cost	2013-2014 Estimated Revenue		2013-2014 % Cost Recovery	
					Current Fee	Proposed Fee	Current Fee	Proposed Fee
<b>FINANCE DEPARTMENT GENERAL FEES - CATEGORY I</b>								
<b>1. Administrative Remedies Lien Fee</b>								
1 Administrative Remedies Lien Fee	\$56.50 per lien		\$63.25 per lien					
<b>Sub-total Administrative Remedies Lien Fee</b>		<b>100.0%</b>		<b>2,849</b>	<b>2,543</b>	<b>2,846</b>	<b>89.3%</b>	<b>99.9%</b>
<b>2. Business Tax Special Reports</b>								
1 CD/E-mail	\$45.50 per CD/transmission		\$56.25 per CD/transmission					
2 Computer Printout	\$45.50 up to 25 pages, \$1 each additional page		\$56.25 up to 25 pages, \$1 each additional page					
<b>Sub-total Business Tax Special Reports</b>		<b>100.0%</b>		<b>958</b>	<b>774</b>	<b>956</b>	<b>80.8%</b>	<b>99.8%</b>
<b>3. Circus/Carnival/Parade</b>								
1 Carnival Permit	\$250 1st week; \$25 each additional day		No Change					
2 Carnival Permit (Charitable)	\$100 1st week; \$10 each additional day		No Change					
3 Circus Advertising	\$100 bond for removal within 48 hours of last performance		No Change					
4 Circus Parade (Circus Outside of City Limits)	\$250 per day		No Change					
5 Circus Permit	\$250 1st day; \$114 each additional day		\$250 1st day; \$120.50 each additional day					
6 Circus Permit (Charitable)	\$100 1st day; \$50 each additional day		No Change					
7 Circus Sideshow Permit	\$12.50 each per day		No Change					
8 Circus or Carnival Permit - Sanitary Standards Bond	\$1,000 bond		No Change					
<b>Sub-total Circus/Carnival/Parade</b>		<b>100.0%</b>		<b>844</b>	<b>798</b>	<b>843</b>	<b>94.5%</b>	<b>99.9%</b>

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<b>FINANCE DEPARTMENT GENERAL FEES - CATEGORY I</b>								
<b>4. Collection Fee</b>								
1 Collection Agency Recovery Fee (90 days past due)	\$25 or 15% of the bill; whichever is higher		No Change					
2 Collection Fee (60-90 days past due)	\$28.75		\$38					
<b>Sub-total Collection Fee</b>		<b>99.9%</b>		<b>123,833</b>	<b>93,394</b>	<b>123,310</b>	<b>75.4%</b>	<b>99.6%</b>
<b>5. Exempt Business Tax</b>								
1 Exempt Business Tax Fee	\$38 per account		Deleted per City Council approval on April 23, 2013					
<b>Sub-total Exempt Business Tax</b>		<b>100.0%</b>						
<b>6. Handbill Distributors</b>								
1 Commercial Distributor Permit	\$1 per distribution		No Change					
2 Handbill Distributors License	\$37 per year		\$46 per year					
3 Owner's Permit	\$28 per year		\$35.50 per year					
<b>Sub-total Handbill Distributors</b>		<b>99.3%</b>		<b>36,177</b>	<b>28,908</b>	<b>36,135</b>	<b>79.9%</b>	<b>99.9%</b>
<b>7. Medical Marijuana Fees</b>								
1 Medical Marijuana Collective Amendment Fee	Suspended (City Council approval - January 10, 2012)		No Change					
2 Medical Marijuana Collective Annual Operating Fee	Suspended (City Council approval - January 10, 2012)		No Change					
3 Medical Marijuana Collective Application Processing Fee	Suspended (City Council approval - January 10, 2012)		No Change					
4 Medical Marijuana Collective Application Receipt Fee	Suspended (City Council approval - January 10, 2012)		No Change					
5 Medical Marijuana Collective Renewal Registration Fee	Suspended (City Council approval - January 10, 2012)		No Change					

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<b>7. Medical Marijuana Fees</b>									
6 Police Hourly Investigation Fee	Suspended (City Council approval - January 10, 2012)		No Change						
<b>Sub-total Medical Marijuana Fees</b>									
<b>8. Returned Check Fee</b>									
1 Returned Check Fee	\$22 per returned check		\$29 per returned check						
<b>Sub-total Returned Check Fee</b>		<b>98.6%</b>		<b>23,065</b>	<b>17,490</b>	<b>23,055</b>	<b>75.8%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	
<b>9. Sale of Publications</b>									
1 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report	Actual printing and mailing costs		No Change						
2 Monthly Investment Report	Actual printing and mailing costs		No Change						
3 Single Audit (Grants)	Actual printing and mailing costs		No Change						
<b>Sub-total Sale of Publications</b>									
<b>10. Sales</b>									
1 Christmas Tree/Pumpkin License - Deposit (Refundable)	\$100 per lot		No Change						
2 Christmas Tree/Pumpkin License - Lot	\$89.50 per lot		\$97.25 per lot						
<b>Sub-total Sales</b>		<b>100.0%</b>		<b>1,558</b>	<b>1,432</b>	<b>1,556</b>	<b>91.9%</b>	<b>99.9%</b>	
<b>11. Sidewalk Lien Administrative Fee</b>									
1 Sidewalk Lien Administrative Fee	\$56.50 per lien account		\$63.25 per lien account						
<b>Sub-total Sidewalk Lien Administrative Fee</b>		<b>100.0%</b>		<b>4,749</b>	<b>4,238</b>	<b>4,744</b>	<b>89.2%</b>	<b>99.9%</b>	
<b>SUB-TOTAL FINANCE DEPARTMENT GENERAL FEES - CATEGORY I</b>		<b>99.8%</b>		<b>194,033</b>	<b>149,577</b>	<b>193,445</b>	<b>77.1%</b>	<b>99.7%</b>	

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<b>FINANCE DEPARTMENT GENERAL FEES - CATEGORY I</b>									
<b>INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT LATE CHARGES - CATEGORY II</b>									
<b>1. Solid Waste Delinquencies</b>									
1 Administrative Charges for Collection Procedure	\$69 per lien	99.0%	\$92.25 per lien	1,347,219	1,007,676	1,347,219	74.8%	100.0%	
2 Late Payment Charge (The charge level is set to encourage customers to submit payments by due date)	\$7.00 or 7% of the bill, whichever is greater		No Change		2,000,000	2,000,000			
3 Notice of Intent to Lien (The notice is not a penalty)	\$17 per notice	97.3%	\$17.25 per notice	618,209	607,138	616,067	98.2%	99.7%	
4 Special Assessment Charge (The charge is not a penalty)	\$5 per parcel	100.0%	\$6 per parcel	35,712	29,760	35,712	83.3%	100.0%	
<b>Sub-total Solid Waste Delinquencies</b>		<b>240.3%</b>		<b>2,001,140</b>	<b>3,644,574</b>	<b>3,998,998</b>	<b>182.1%</b>	<b>199.8%</b>	
<b>SUB-TOTAL INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT LATE CHARGES - CATEGORY II</b>		<b>240.3%</b>		<b>2,001,140</b>	<b>3,644,574</b>	<b>3,998,998</b>	<b>182.1%</b>	<b>199.8%</b>	
<b>TOTAL DEPARTMENT - GENERAL FUND</b>				<b>194,033</b>	<b>149,577</b>	<b>193,445</b>	<b>77.1%</b>	<b>99.7%</b>	
<b>TOTAL DEPARTMENT - NON-GENERAL FUND</b>				<b>2,001,140</b>	<b>3,644,574</b>	<b>3,998,998</b>	<b>182.1%</b>	<b>199.8%</b>	
<b>TOTAL DEPARTMENT - Category I</b>				<b>194,033</b>	<b>149,577</b>	<b>193,445</b>	<b>77.1%</b>	<b>99.7%</b>	
<b>TOTAL DEPARTMENT - Category II</b>				<b>2,001,140</b>	<b>3,644,574</b>	<b>3,998,998</b>	<b>182.1%</b>	<b>199.8%</b>	
<b>TOTAL DEPARTMENT</b>				<b>2,195,173</b>	<b>3,794,151</b>	<b>4,192,443</b>	<b>172.8%</b>	<b>191.0%</b>	