



City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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DEPARTMENT: Office of Management and Budget

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Maria Villagomez

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: City Wide

SUBJECT:

Amending Fees and Establishing New Fees for FY 2016

SUMMARY:

An ordinance establishing new fees and amending existing fees for various City departments and funds as recommended in the FY 2016 Proposed Budget and revised by subsequent City Council budget amendments. The following table summarizes, by Fund, the proposed additional revenues projected to be generated from the recommendations included in the FY 2016 Proposed Budget as presented by the City Manager to the City Council on August 6, 2015:

FY 2016 PROPOSED BUDGET REVENUE ADJUSTMENTS BY FUND	
Fund	Projected Additional Revenue
General Fund	\$250,006
Development Services Fund	\$160,499
Hotel Occupancy Tax Fund - Convention & Facilities	\$155,072
Hotel Occupancy Tax Fund - Culture & Creative Development	\$10,500
Market Square Fund	\$199,698
Parking Fund	\$168,580
Public Education & Government	\$20,385
Right of Way Fund	\$565,140
Solid Waste Management Fund	\$758,839
Storm Water Operating Fund	\$3,652,611

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

City staff annually reviews existing revenue sources and service delivery processes in order to identify both new sources of revenue and potential changes to existing revenues. The policy direction for the FY 2016 budget process regarding revenue adjustments focused on revenue changes that allow cost recovery from those who benefit from service (User Fees) as well as service areas that had not been adjusted in recent past. The concept of cost recovery is to recover some or all of the costs associated with providing city services and programs at varying levels depending on factors such as the nature of the service provided, the population served, and the intended impact to the community.

ISSUE:

General Fund

The FY 2016 Proposed Budget includes adjustments to several existing fees and creates new fees and charges for service. These new and adjusted revenue items for the General Fund total \$250,006. The policy direction for the FY 2016 budget process regarding revenue enhancements focused on revenue changes that impact those who benefit from service (User Fees) as well as service areas that had not been adjusted in recent past. Several categories of cost recovery and user fees were evaluated, including: Center City Development and Operations, City Clerk, Fire, Police, Health, Human Services, and Library. Attached is a report that lists all the recommended fees/rate adjustments for the General Fund. Material in this report has been included in the FY 2016 Proposed Budget Document.

Restricted Funds

The FY 2016 Proposed Budget includes changes to several Other Funds existing fees and creates new fees and charges for service. Funds impacted and projected additional revenues for the new or adjusted revenues can be found in the table below:

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Right of Way Fund	\$565,140
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Attached is a report that lists all the recommended fees/rate adjustments for the Restricted Funds. Material in this report has been included in the FY 2016 Proposed Budget Document.

ALTERNATIVES:

The FY 2016 Proposed Budget accounts for the estimated additional revenues to be generated from the

proposed revenue changes included in this item. Should any of these proposed revenue adjustments not be approved by the City Council, City staff will need to determine if the exclusion of the anticipated revenue will cause a negative impact to the Budget. If so, one or both of the following actions must be taken by City Council:

1. Reduce expenditure levels
2. Increase other sources of revenue

FISCAL IMPACT:

The individual revenue adjustment items included herein propose to increase revenues within various City funds as outlined in the table below:

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RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the proposed fees.