Meeting Date: 05/03/17 (2)

**ORDINANCE NO.: 10488 (N.S.)** 

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PORTIONS OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE OF REGULATORY ORDINANCES RELATING TO FEES FOR THE COTTAGE FOOD OPRATORS PROGRAM IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017-18

The Board of Supervisors of the County of San Diego ordains as follows:

Section 1.

The County Department of Environmental Health (DEH or Department) administers Health Officer programs in the environmental health and sanitation areas in the County of San Diego, including incorporated cities. As such DEH is the enforcement agency in this County for the California Retail Food Code. State law provides for the recovery of the reasonable costs of this program through fees imposed on the regulated community.

Board Policy B-29 requires the Department to strive to obtain full cost recovery for all DEH regulatory programs through these fees where fees are authorized. On March 22, 2017 the Board of Supervisors directed DEH consider options for reducing or restructuring fees for cottage food operations, including reducing levels of service in this program. Annual registration and permit fees for this program are currently charged based on an hourly rate, at one hour of service for Class A cottage food operations, and two hours for Class B operations.

This ordinance adds subsection (a)(21) to Section 65.107 of the County Code to establish initial and renewal registration and permit fees for the DEH cottage food operators program for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 (and thereafter unless further amended). Additional food label review not conducted as part of an initial registration or permit process would be charged at an hourly rate. Fees are set at levels sufficient for full cost recovery at the levels of service currently being provided. These fee rates take into account efficiencies that DEH has achieved in this program.

Section 2. Subsection (a)(21) is added to Section 65.107 of the San Diego County Code to read as follows:

SEC. 65.107, FEES.

(a) FOOD FACILITY PERMIT FEES: ...

(21) Cottage Food Operations:

Class A – Initial Registration and up to 10 food label reviews: \$185

Class A – Annual Registration Renewal: \$74

Class B – Initial Permit and up to 10 food label reviews: \$421

Class B – Annual Permit Renewal: \$290

Class A or B – Additional Label Review: Hourly rate as specified in subsection (m)(6). Minimum 1/2 hour.

Section 3. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect on July 1, 2017, and before the expiration of fifteen (15) days after its passage, a summary shall be published once with the names of the members voting for and against the same in the Daily Transcript, a newspaper of general circulation published in the County of San Diego.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY COUNTY COUNSEL

By:

Rodney F. Lorang, Senior Deputy

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Diego this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2017.

DIANNE JACOB

Chairwoman, Board of Supervisors County of San Diego, State of California

The above Ordinance was adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

Cox, Jacob, Gaspar, Roberts

ABSENT:

Horn

ATTEST my hand and the seal of the Board of Supervisors this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2017.

DAVID HALL Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

Elizabeth Miller, Deputy

SUPERVISOR SUPERVISOR

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