

Ordinance No. 10539
Meeting Date: 05/15/18 (04)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 810.309
OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE OF REGULATORY ORDINANCES
RELATING TO FIRE MITIGATION FEES

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

Section 1. The Board of Supervisors finds and determines that the current Fire Mitigation Fee ceiling located in San Diego County Code of Regulatory Ordinances Section 810.309(b) is not currently sufficient to finance actual or estimated costs of additional fire protection facilities and equipment necessitated by new development. The amendment made by this ordinance is intended to increase the current Fire Mitigation Fee ceiling to more closely reflect the actual or anticipated costs of additional fire protection facilities and equipment required in order to adequately serve new development.

Section 2 Section 810.309 of the San Diego Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

SEC. 810.309. FIRE MITIGATION FEE CEILING ESTABLISHED.

- (a) The Fire Mitigation Fee ceiling for non-rated construction was determined by dividing the average cost of constructing a fully-equipped fire station within the unincorporated portion of the County of San Diego by the average square footage of structures served by this average fire station. In order to account for those types of construction that do not require as high a level of fire protection facilities, separate reduced fee ceilings were determined for buildings constructed of heavy timber, fire-resistive and one hour type construction as defined in the Uniform Building Code; buildings that install fire sprinkler systems; agricultural buildings, except greenhouses and poultry houses; and greenhouses and poultry houses.
- (b) The Fire Mitigation Fee amount requested by the agency shall be equal to or less than the current fee ceiling amount set by this chapter. The current fee ceiling is 58¢ per square foot of floor area for buildings. The ceiling fee for agricultural buildings, as defined in the Uniform Building Code, is 16¢ per square foot of floor area, except as follows: (1) for agricultural buildings that install a fire sprinkler system, the ceiling fee is 2¢ per square foot of floor area, (2) the ceiling fee for poultry houses and greenhouses is 1¢ per square foot.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty (30) days after the date of its passage, and before the expiration of fifteen (15) days after its final passage, a summary hereof shall be published once with the names of the members voting for and against it in a newspaper of general circulation published in the County of San Diego.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY
COUNTY COUNSEL

BY

Suedy Alfaro
Senior Deputy County Counsel

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Diego this 15th day of May, 2018.



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

The above Ordinance was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Cox, Jacob, Roberts, Horn
ABSENT: Gaspar

ATTEST my hand and the seal of the Board of Supervisors this 15th day of May, 2018.

DAVID HALL
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By C. Rodriguez
Chrystal Rodriguez, Deputy



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