

ORDINANCE NO. 9709 (NEW SERIES)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 810.309(b) OF THE SAN DIEGO
COUNTY CODE 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 Section 810.309 is not currently sufficient to finance actual or estimated costs of additional fire protection facilities and equipment necessitated by new development. The amendments made by this ordinance are intended to increase the current Fire Mitigation Fee ceilings 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(b) of the San Diego Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 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 34¢ per square foot of floor area for buildings. The ceiling fee for agricultural buildings, as defined in the Uniform Building Code, is 9¢ 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 60 days after the date of its passage, and before the expiration of fifteen (15) days after its final passage, a summary shall be published once with the names of the members voting for and against the same in a newspaper of general circulation published in the County of San Diego.

Section 4. This ordinance shall be operative on July 1, 2005.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 23rd day of March 2005.