

## City of Ann Arbor

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## Legislation Text

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Resolution to Approve Fiscal Year 2016 Fee Adjustments and New Fees for the Community Services Area

Attached for your consideration and approval is the resolution authorizing fee adjustments and new fees for FY 2016. Each year, in conjunction with the preparation of the budget, Service Units review fee revenues to determine if the costs of the services rendered are either covered by the fees or are appropriate in relation to comparative data.

When determining cost to serve, Service Units take into account increases in expenses such as labor, materials and supplies, equipment, and overhead costs. Comparative fees are important when setting recreation fees.

Community Services is proposing fee increases in Parks and Recreation Services for fees at Gallup and Argo Liveries, Huron Hills & Leslie Park Golf Courses, and neighborhood swim teams. Gallup and Argo Liveries last saw fee increase in 2008 and since that time numerous improvements have taken place. The proposed fee increases at the golf courses are the first since 2009 and do not impede the ability of the courses to offer specials and promotions to remain competitive in a market where fees fluctuate quickly.

Comparative fees for similar facilities are attached. Budgeted revenues for Parks and Recreation Services include revenues based upon proposed fee changes.

Community Services is also proposing changes to Planning Services Design Review Board fees to come closer to recovering the full cost of these services. One new fee for the Historic District Commission and two fee clarifications are also proposed.

Attached are the recommended fee change proposals for Planning Services and Parks and Recreation Services. Staff is recommending that Council approve these fee changes. The Park Advisory Commission will review fees at their April 2015 meeting and provide a written recommendation in a separate communication to Council.

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Reviewed by: Steven D. Powers, City Administrator

Whereas, All Service Units of the City review their fees each year as part of the budget process;

Whereas, Parks and Recreation Services and Planning Services have reviewed all of their fees as part of the FY2016 budget submittal; and

Whereas, The proposed and new fees are based upon the cost of providing services or remaining competitive with the market;

RESOLVED, That fees for Parks and Recreation Services and Planning Services be adjusted according to the attached schedules;

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RESOLVED, That the attached fee schedules become effective according to the dates in the attached schedules; and

RESOLVED, That City Council authorize the City Administrator to take necessary administrative actions to implement this resolution.