



Legislation Text

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Resolution to Approve FY 2025 Fee Adjustments for the Community Services Area

Attached for your consideration and approval is a resolution authorizing fee adjustments and new fees for FY 2025. Annually, in conjunction with the preparation of the budget, Service Units review fee revenues to determine if the costs of the services rendered are covered by their fees or are appropriate in relation to comparative data.

When determining cost to serve, Service Units consider when fees were last increased and increases in expenses such as labor, materials and supplies, equipment, and overhead costs.

Community Services is proposing fee increases in Parks and Recreation Services for Hockey League Team and Individual fees at Veterans Ice Arena, Non-sanctioned Bridge Games at the Senior Center, and swim lessons and team fees at city pools. All proposed fee increases have a corresponding comparative data document. These documents compare our proposed fees to those charged in other communities for similar programs or services. The proposed fees, when compared to those charged by other communities, are competitive and typically more affordable than most. As a reminder, Parks & Recreation awards scholarships to income eligible Ann Arbor resident families. Scholarships are awarded based on need and there is not a limit on the number awarded.

The Parks Advisory Commission will review fees at their April 16, 2024 meeting and provide a written recommendation in a separate communication to Council.

Community Services is also proposing fee changes in the Planning Services Unit. For adjustments proposed, the fees are based on analysis, including measurement of actual cost incurred for similar petitions, and estimated cost of petitions for some petition types that are infrequent. Planning services is adjusting several fees to more closely align with the cost to process each.

Finally, Community Services is proposing fee adjustments in the Building and Rental Housing Units. New fees are proposed for Fire Alarm and suppression system revisions and for generator inspections associated with special events. Two fee adjustments are proposed for application to the Housing Board of Appeals and a Records Check for a rental housing inspector.

Attachments:

FY2025 Parks and Recreation Fees Adjustments
FY2025 Comparative Hockey Fees
FY2025 Comparative Bridge Fees
FY2025 Comparative Swim Lesson Fees
FY2025 Comparative Swim Team Fees
FY2025 Planning Services Fee Adjustments
FY2025 Building and Rental Fee Adjustments
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Whereas, All Service Units of the City review their fees each year as part of the budget process;

Whereas, Parks and Recreation Services, Planning Service, and Building Services have reviewed their fees as part of the FY2025 budget submittal; and

Whereas, The proposed fees are based upon the cost of providing services or on market comparative data;

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

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.