



Legislation Text

File #: 16-674, **Version:** 1

A Resolution rescinding Resolution No. 19-13 and establishing Development Application Fees and Charges for the Land Use Review Division of the Planning and Development Department

Presenter:

Nina Vetter, Strategic Plan Administrator, Finance

Kara Skinner, Chief Financial Officer

Peter Wysocki, Planning and Development Director, Planning and Development Department

Summary:

The attached fee resolution and schedule establishes the fees proposed to be charged in 2017 for the review of various types of land use applications (i.e. zone changes, development plans, subdivision plats, etc.) by the Land Use Review Division. The 2017 fee schedule reflects 70% cost recovery.

Previous Council Action:

The proposed fee resolution and schedule was presented at the City Council Work Session on January 9, 2017. Another briefing with additional information and options will be presented at the City Council Work Session on January 23, 2017. The current Land Use Review Division fee schedule was approved with the passage of Resolution 19-13 at the February 26, 2013 City Council meeting.

Background:

The proposed fee schedule will align with the City's Revenue Policy and User Fee Policy, ensuring that the Land Use Review division is collecting fees at an appropriate cost recovery level. The 2017 fee schedule reflects 70% cost recovery of all direct and indirect costs; whereas the current fee schedule reflects 38% cost recovery. Staff has reviewed selected fees of other comparable cities and the proposed fees for Colorado Springs are competitive. A comparison of the proposed fee schedule to the current and past fee schedules is attached. This item supports the City's strategic goal of excelling in City services by supporting the initiative relating to evaluating regulations, fees, and rules using best practices.

Financial Implications:

The proposed fee schedule will generate an estimated \$728,000 in fee revenue.

Board/Commission Recommendation:

N/A

Stakeholder Process:

The proposed fee schedule at 70% cost recovery has been discussed with stakeholders.

Alternatives:

1. Adopt the resolution with no modifications and review and potentially further adjust the fee schedule in 2 years.
2. Adopt the proposed resolution with modifications to adjust “Appeal of an Administrative Action” and “Appeal to City Council” fees to \$250.
3. Adopt the proposed resolution with modifications to not adjust the current fee schedule for “Appeal of an Administrative Action” and “Appeal to City Council”.
4. Not adopt the proposed resolution and retain the existing fee schedule.

Proposed Motion:

Move to approve a resolution rescinding Resolution No. 19-13 and establishing development application fees and charges for the Land Use Review Division of the Planning and Development Department.

N/A