

**FINDINGS PURSUANT TO CEQA GUIDELINES SECTION 15273(a)**

The Board of Supervisors finds as follows:

1. The proposed action involves the amendment of Sections 61.114, 65.107, 65.112, 68.902, 68.909.5, and 68.1112.5 of the County Code of Regulatory Ordinances (“County Code”) to adjust or modify fees and hourly rates to be charged by County staff for specified applications, permits, registrations, inspections and other related services provided by the Department of Environmental Health and Quality (DEHQ). The proposed action also involves the amendments of other provisions of the County Code to promote consistency with Sections 61.114, 65.107, 65.112, 68.902, 68.909.5, and 68.1112.5.
2. These fees and hourly rates are based on DEHQ calculations and are intended to meet anticipated operational expenses, including wage rates and fringe benefits costs for County employees assisting with specified applications, permits, registrations, inspections and other related services provided by DEHQ. Worksheets explaining the basis for each fee and hourly rate have been made available for public review.
3. Consistent with Board of Supervisors Policy B-29 to recover the full cost for services provided to agencies and individuals outside the County of San Diego, these fees and hourly rates are necessary to recover actual costs associated with performance of specific services relating to specified applications, permits, registrations, inspections and other related services provided by DEHQ.
4. For the above reasons and those stated in the May 7, 2025 board letter and accompanying documents related to the adoption of an ordinance to amend Sections 61.114, 65.107, 65.112, 68.902, 68.909.5, and 68.1112.5 of the County Code and other related provisions, the proposed action is exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15273(a) of the CEQA Guidelines.

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY**

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