

FINDINGS PURSUANT TO CEQA GUIDELINES SECTION 15273(c)

The Board of Supervisors finds as follows:

1. The proposed action involves the amendment of Section 362.5 of the Administrative Code to establish, adjust, or modify fees to be charged by County staff in connection with San Diego County Fire review and approval of private development and land use proposals.
2. These fees are based on San Diego County Fire calculations and are intended to meet anticipated operational expenses, including wage rates and fringe benefit costs for County employees assisting with the review and approval of applications submitted to the County. Worksheets explaining the basis for each fee have been made available for public review in accordance with Government Code section 66016.
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 are necessary to recover actual costs associated with performance of specific services relating to the review and processing of County permits and approvals.
4. For the above reasons and those stated in the May 4, 2021 Board letter and accompanying documents related to the adoption of an ordinance to amend Section 362.5 of the Administrative Code, the proposed action is exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15273 of the CEQA Guidelines.