

## **LEGISLATIVE DIGEST**

[Public Works, Subdivision Codes - Fee Modification and Waiver]

**Ordinance amending the Public Works and Subdivision Codes to modify certain permit fees, including waiving fees for café tables and chairs and display merchandise registrants and certain minor sidewalk encroachments that are appurtenant building features, and affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act.**

### **Existing Law**

The Public Works and Subdivision Codes contain various permit fees and other charges. Most of these fees and charges adjust annually based on the applicable consumer price index after Public Works staff and the Controller's Office conduct a Board of Supervisors-established fee analysis process. If there is a proposal to increase permit fees and other charges in excess of the consumer price index formula, then the Board of Supervisors legislatively considers such increased fees and charges. Pending legislation defines appurtenant building features as a type of minor sidewalk encroachment under Public Works Code Section 723.2.

### **Amendments to Current Law**

This ordinance would amend the Public Works and Subdivision Codes to increase certain Public Works permit fees and other charges. This legislation waives all fees associated with registrants for café tables and chairs and display merchandise. The ordinance also would waive the permit fee for appurtenant building features, a minor sidewalk encroachment. This legislation would adopt environmental findings under the California Environmental Quality Act.

### **Background Information**

The fee increases in this legislation are for permits where the City costs associated with the permits exceed the consumer price index escalation. The fee waivers in this ordinance are associated with the PermitSF streamlining program.

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