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Completed by: Brent Jalipa Date June 17, 2022

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1 [Adjusting the Access Line Tax with the Consumer Price Index of 2022]

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3 **Resolution concurring with the Controller’s establishment of the Consumer Price Index**
4 **for 2022, and adjusting the Access Line Tax by the same rate.**

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6 WHEREAS, The Electorate of the City and County of San Francisco passed
7 Proposition O in November 2008, establishing an Access Line Tax to be imposed upon
8 every person who subscribes to telephone communication services within the City and
9 County of San Francisco (Business and Tax Regulations Code Section 782); and

10 WHEREAS, Sections 782 (b) and 784 state, in part, that the cap and rates
11 established by this subsection shall be adjusted annually in accordance with the increase in
12 the Consumer Price Index; All Urban Consumers for the San Francisco/ Oakland/San Jose
13 Area for all items as reported by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics, or any
14 successor to that index, as of December 31st of each year; and

15 WHEREAS, Sections 782 and 784 also require that this increase be approved,
16 annually, by the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor; and

17 WHEREAS, The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for the San
18 Francisco/Oakland/Hayward Area for All Items as reported by the United States Bureau of
19 Labor Statistics increased from 302.9 in December 2020 to 315.8 in December 2021, an
20 increase of 4.24%; and

21 WHEREAS, The monthly rates are currently set at \$3.80 per Access Line, \$28.58 per
22 Trunk Line, and \$514.49 per High Capacity Line and the Annual Cap is \$74,745.76; and

23 WHEREAS, The new monthly rates will be \$3.96 per Access Line, \$29.79 per Trunk
24 Line, and \$536.32 per High Capacity Line and the new Annual Cap will be \$79,476.52; and

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1 WHEREAS, The Controller’s certification of the Consumer Price Index rate is on file
2 with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 220691, which is hereby declared to
3 be part of this resolution as if set forth fully herein; now, therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby approves the adjustment of the
5 Access Line Tax by the 2022 Consumer Price Index.

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OFFICE OF THE CONTROLLER
CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

Ben Rosenfield
Controller
Todd Rydstrom
Deputy Controller

MEMORANDUM

TO: Members, Board of Supervisors

FROM: Ben Rosenfield

DATE: May 16, 2022

SUBJECT: Notification of Access Line Tax Annual Rate Adjustment

In November 2008, San Francisco voters approved Proposition O to replace the Emergency Response Fee with the Access Line Tax. Prop. O allows for annual inflationary adjustments to the per line tax rates and the annual payment cap. As codified in San Francisco Business and Tax Regulations Code Section 784:

The amount of the tax shall be \$2.75 per month per access line, \$20.62 per month per trunk line and \$371.15 per month per high capacity line. These amounts shall be adjusted annually in accordance with the increase in the Consumer Price Index: All Urban Consumers for the San Francisco/Oakland/San Jose Area for All Items as reported by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics, or any successor to that index, as of December 31st of each year, beginning with December 31, 2009.

As codified in San Francisco Business and Tax Regulations Code Section 782(b):

The cap established by this subsection shall be adjusted annually in accordance with the increase in the Consumer Price Index; All Urban Consumers for the San Francisco/Oakland/San Jose Area for All Items as reported by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics, or any successor to that index, as of December 31st of each year, beginning with December 31, 2009.

In January 2022, the Controller's Office calculated the inflationary increase on fees to be 4.24%. Source data are from the US Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics website using the "Consumer Price Index (CPI) – All Urban Consumers for the San Francisco–Oakland–Hayward CA Area," using December factors from the end of the prior year. The difference between the inflation index for December 2020 (302.9) and December 2021 (315.8) is 12.9, or 4.24%

When applied to current rates per line, the new rates are as follows:

Rate Adjustment for July 1, 2022			
Line Type	Current Rate Per Line	Adjustment Factor	New Rate Per Line
Access line	\$3.80	4.24%	\$3.96
Trunk line	\$28.58	4.24%	\$29.79
High capacity line	\$514.49	4.24%	\$536.32
Payment cap	\$76,240.89	4.24%	\$79,476.52

Please contact me or Michelle Allersma, Director of the Controller's Office Budget and Analysis Division, at (415) 554-4792 if you have any questions regarding this information.

DEPT	Item	Description	Type of Legislation	File #
ADM	Critical Repair/Recovery Stimulus COPs	Authorizes COPs to finance or refinance the capital plan in the budget.	Ordinance	
ADM	Entertainment Commission Fee Changes	Fee decrease for fixed speakers due to the Commission's "Just Add Music" initiative.	Ordinance	
ADM	Reproduction and Notary Fee Changes	Fee increase for a variety of printing and scanning services at the Permit Center.	Ordinance	
ADM	Prop J Continuation	Moscone Convention Center.	Resolution	
ADM	Prop J Continuation	Fleet security services.	Resolution	
ADM	Prop J Continuation	Real estate security services.	Resolution	
ADM	Prop J Continuation	Real estate custodial services.	Resolution	
BOS	Prop J Continuation	Budget Legislative Analyst (BLA).	Resolution	
CAT	Courthouse Construction Fund	The Board adopted an ordinance last year terminating the Fund, which was established in 1992, because the courthouse construction project is complete and fully financed. This ordinance completes the process.	Ordinance	
CON	Access Line Tax	Sets Access Line Tax. Revenues assumed in budget.	Resolution	
CON	Neighborhood Beautification Fund	Neighborhood Beautification Fund contribution levels assumed in budget.	Ordinance	
DEM	EMSA Fee Changes	Changing the fee structure for EMSA fees that are charged to hospitals.	Ordinance	
DPH	Recurring State Grants	Accept and expend for annual, recurring state grant funds.	Resolution	
DPH	Patient Rates	Amending the Health Code to set patient rates and rates for other services provided by the Department of Public Health.	Ordinance	
DPH	Prop J Continuation	Clinic security services.	Resolution	
DPW	Prop J Continuation	Security services.	Resolution	
FIR	Organizational Changes in the City's Administrative Code	Changing the City's Administrative Code to transition the Chief of EMS position up a Deputy Chief position.	Ordinance	
HRC	State Grant Acceptance	Acceptance of the state-funded California for All grant for the Opportunities for All program.	Resolution	
HSA	Prop J Continuation	Security services.	Resolution	
HSH	CAAP Legislation	Annual legislation for CAAP housing with funding from HSA.	Resolution	
HSH	Prop J Continuation	Security services.	Resolution	
MYR	Prop J Continuation	Security services.	Resolution	

POL	Police Vehicle Theft Crime Fund Surcharge	Increasing the car registration surcharge. Funds will be used to deter, investigate, or prosecute vehicle theft crimes.	Ordinance	
REC	Marina Dredging Surcharge	Imposing a surcharge to license fees at Marina West Harbor to pay for necessary dredging at the Harbor.	Ordinance	
REC	Francisco Park Conservancy Grant Agreement	Credits the Francisco Park Conservancy to offset unanticipated project cost increases incurred due to PG&E requirements.	Resolution	
REG	Prop J Continuation	Assembly of vote by mail envelope services.	Resolution	
SHF	Prop J Continuation	Food services at county jails.	Resolution	
TIS	Prop J Continuation	Mainframe system support.	Resolution	



TO: Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
FROM: Tom Paulino
RE: Resolution Adjusting the Access Line Tax with the Consumer Price Index
of 2022
DATE: June 1, 2022

Resolution concurring with the Controller's establishment of the Consumer Price Index for 2022, and adjusting the Access Line Tax by the same rate.

Should you have any questions, please contact Tom Paulino at 415-554-6153.