

1 [Adjusting the Access Line Tax with the Consumer Price Index of 2015]

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3 **Resolution concurring with the Controller's establishment of the Consumer Price Index**
4 **for 2015 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 every
8 person who subscribes to telephone communication services within the City and County of
9 San Francisco (Business and Tax Regulations Code Section 782); and

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

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

17 WHEREAS, On December 31, 2014, the Consumer Price Index for All Urban
18 Consumers for the San Francisco/Oakland/San Jose Area for All Items as reported by the
19 United States Bureau of Labor Statistics was stated to be 2.67%; and

20 WHEREAS, The monthly rates are currently set at \$3.09 per Access Line, \$23.18 per
21 Trunk Line, and \$417.29 per High Capacity Line; and

22 WHEREAS, The new monthly rates will be \$3.17 per Access Line, \$23.80 per Trunk
23 Line, and \$428.43 per High Capacity Line; and

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WHEREAS, The Controller's certification of the Consumer Price Index rate is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 150576, which is hereby declared to be part of this resolution as if set forth fully herein; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby approves the adjustment of the Access Line Tax by the 2015 Consumer Price Index.

**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Members, Board of Supervisors
Clerk of the Board

FROM: Ben Rosenfield

DATE: May 27, 2015

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, as codified in San Francisco Business and Tax Regulations Code Section 784:

The amount of the tax shall be \$2.82 per month per access line, \$21.16 per month per trunk line and \$380.84 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.

In January 2015, the Controller's Office calculated the inflationary increase on fees to be 2.67%. 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–San Jose CA Area," using December factors from the end of the prior year. The difference between the inflation index for December 2013 (245.7) and December 2014 (252.3) is 6.6, or 2.67%.

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

Rate Adjustment for October 1, 2015			
Line Type	Current Rate Per Line	Adjustment Factor	New Rate Per Line
Access line	\$ 3.09	2.67%	\$ 3.17
Trunk line	\$ 23.18	2.67%	\$ 23.80
High capacity line	\$ 417.29	2.67%	\$ 428.43

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.

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
SAN FRANCISCO



EDWIN M. LEE
MAYOR

To: Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
From: Kate Howard, Mayor's Budget Director
Date: June 1, 2015
Re: Mayor's FY 2015-16 and FY 2016-17 Budget Submission

Madam Clerk,

In accordance with City and County of San Francisco Charter, Article IX, Section 9.100, the Mayor's Office hereby submits the Mayor's June 1st proposed budget, corresponding legislation, and related materials for Fiscal Year 2015-16 and Fiscal Year 2016-17.

In addition to the Annual Salary Ordinance and Annual Appropriation Ordinance, the following items are included in the Mayor's submission:

- The budget for the Treasure Island Development Authority for FY 2015-16 and FY 2016-17.
- The budget for the Office of Community Investment and Infrastructure for FY 2015-16.
- 19 separate pieces of legislation (see list attached).
- A Transfer of Function letter detailing the transfer of 1.0 position within the Executive Branch.
- An Interim Exception letter.
- A letter addressing funding levels for consumer price index increases for nonprofit corporations or public entities for the coming two fiscal years.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (415) 554-6515.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kate Howard".

Kate Howard
Mayor's Budget Director

cc: Members of the Board of Supervisors
Harvey Rose
Controller

Legislation Introduced with the Mayor's Proposed FY 2015-16 and FY 2015-16 Budget			
DEPT	Description of Local Legislation	Type of Legislation	Budget & Finance Committee Calendar Date
AIR	Appropriation – \$2,673,349 to the Airport Commission - FY2015-2016	Ordinance	15-Jun
CON	Resolution Adjusting the Access Line Tax with the Consumer Price Index of 2015	Resolution	15-Jun
CON	Neighborhood Beautification and Graffiti Clean-up Fund Tax Designation Ceiling	Ordinance	15-Jun
CON	Designation of Hinderliter, de Llamas and Associates ("Contractor") as City's Authorized Representative in Sales and Use Tax Records Examination	Resolution	15-Jun
CON	Proposition J Contract Certification Specified Contracted-Out Services Previously Approved	Resolution	15-Jun
CPC	Administrative Code – California Environmental Quality Act Procedures and Fees (Fee Elimination)	Ordinance	15-Jun
CPC	Planning, Building Codes – Fee Waiver for Legalization of Secondary Dwelling Units	Ordinance	15-Jun
DBI	Building Code - Fees	Ordinance	18-Jun
DPH	Accept and Expend Grants- Recurring State Grant Funds - Department of Public Health- FY2015-2016	Resolution	18-Jun
DPH	Public Health Rates for FY 2015-16 and FY 2016-17	Ordinance	18-Jun
DPH	Administrative Code - Department of Public Health Group Purchasing Organizations	Ordinance	18-Jun
DPW	Public Works Code – Fees for Nighttime Work Permit and Preapplication Meetings	Ordinance	17-Jun
FIR	Business and Tax Regulations Code - Fire Department Licensing Fees	Ordinance	17-Jun
FIR	Fire Code – Fire Department Fines and Fees	Ordinance	17-Jun
H.S.A.	Approval of FY15-16 and FY16-17 Expenditure Plans for the Human Services Care Fund	Resolution	18-Jun
MOHCD	Administrative, Planning, Subdivision Codes - Citywide Affordable Housing Fund, Mayor's Housing Programs Fees Fund	Ordinance	15-Jun
MOHDC	Certificates of Participation – Housing Trust Fund – Reimbursement of Certain Expenditures	Resolution	15-Jun
PUC	Appropriation Amendment - \$2,177,552 to the Public Utilities Commission Operating Budget - FY2015-2016	Ordinance	15-Jun
PUC	Public Employment – Amendment to the Annual Salary Ordinance, FY2015-2016 and FY 2016-2017 – Public Utilities Commission Water Enterprise Department	Ordinance	15-Jun

Wong, Linda (BOS)

From: Allersma, Michelle (CON)
Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2015 10:18 AM
To: Wong, Linda (BOS)
Cc: Murrell, Drew (CON)
Subject: Re: File No. 150576 - Consumer Price Index

Yes, this is our memo, and in particular it is the application of CPI change to the Access Line Tax rate.

There are many other cases in which our office applies CPI/inflationary increases to things.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 10, 2015, at 9:52 AM, Wong, Linda (BOS) <linda.wong@sfgov.org> wrote:

Hi Michelle,

Could you please confirm that the attached memo is the Controller's certification of the Consumer Price Index rate of 2015?

Thanks,

Linda Wong
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