

1 [Fees for Fire Department Services and Permits.]

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3 **Ordinance making environmental findings and amending Sections 105.6.47, 105.6.48,**  
4 **112.2, 112.3, 112.7, 112.8, 112.9, 112.10, 112.11, 112.15, 112.17, 112.18 and Tables 112-A,**  
5 **112-B and 112-C of Appendix Chapter 1 of the San Francisco Fire Code to increase fees**  
6 **for certain Fire Department services and permits, amending Section 112.9 to add an**  
7 **Express Plan Review service, and adding Sections 105.6.50, 112.19, and 112.20 to**  
8 **Appendix Chapter 1 of the San Francisco Fire Code to establish fees for certain Fire**  
9 **Department services and permits, to become operative on its effective date or on July**  
10 **1, 2008, whichever is later.**

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12 Note: Additions are single-underline italics Times New Roman;  
13 deletions are ~~striketrough italics Times New Roman~~.  
14 Board amendment additions are double underlined.  
15 Board amendment deletions are ~~striketrough normal~~.

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Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

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Section 1. Environmental Findings. The Planning Department has determined that the  
18 actions contemplated in this Ordinance are in compliance with the California Environmental  
19 Quality Act (California Public Resources Code sections 21000 et seq.). Said determination is  
20 on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. \_\_\_\_\_ and is  
21 incorporated herein by reference.

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Section 2. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by amending Section  
23 105.6.47 of Appendix Chapter 1 to renumber that section as Section 105.6.48, as follows:

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~~105.6.47.~~ 105.6.48 [For SF] Parking lots and garages. To operate a parking lot or  
25 parking garage. See Chapter 46.

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2 Section 3. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by amending Section  
3 105.6.48 of Appendix Chapter 1 to renumber that section as Section 105.6.49, as follows:

4 ~~105.6.48.~~105.6.49 [For SF] Battery systems. To operate a storage battery system  
5 having a liquid capacity of more than 50 gallons (189L). See Section 608.

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7 Section 4. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by adding Section  
8 105.6.50 of Appendix Chapter 1 to read as follows:

9 105.6.50 [For SF] To maintain firefighter air systems. See Section 511.2.

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11 Section 5. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by amending Section  
12 112.2 of Appendix Chapter 1 to read as follows:

13 112.2 [For SF] Permit Filing Fees. The filing fee for each permit shall be as set forth in  
14 Table ~~106-A-112-A. *Inspections-Permit related services, including inspections,*~~ that require more  
15 than two hours to complete shall be subject to an additional fee of ~~\$90.00~~\$95.00 for each hour.

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17 Section 6. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by amending Section  
18 112.3 of Appendix Chapter 1 to read as follows:

19 112.3 [For SF] Reinspection of Violation Fees. If an inspection by a designated officer  
20 or employee of the fire department discloses a violation(s) of this code, the chief shall  
21 determine a period of time that is reasonable to remedy the violation and reinspect the  
22 property to verify such correction. The department shall collect a fee in the amount of ~~\$180.00~~  
23 \$190.00 to compensate for its costs of performing such reinspection to certify correction of the  
24 code violation(s) and secure compliance with the applicable requirements. ~~*Inspections that*~~  
25 ~~*require more than one hour to complete shall be subject to an additional fee at the rate of \$22.50 for*~~

1 ~~each quarter-hour increment beyond the first sixty minutes of the department's on-site review. If the~~  
2 ~~time required for the inspection exceeds 1 hour, additional fees will be assessed at the rate of \$95.00~~  
3 ~~per hour.~~

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5 Section 7. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by amending Section  
6 112.7 of Appendix Chapter 1 to read as follows:

7 112.7 [For SF] Referral Fees. Upon the request of a government agency, ~~person or firm~~  
8 for a preliminary site inspection or survey of a premise for compliance with this code or other  
9 regulatory codes enforced by this department, a service fee of ~~\$90.00~~ \$95.00 per hour shall be  
10 collected for such on-site inspections and consultations. Fees shall be paid at the time the  
11 request is submitted. Fees referenced in the California Health and Safety Code shall take  
12 precedence over this fee.

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14 Section 8. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by amending Section  
15 112.8 of Appendix Chapter 1 to read as follows:

16 112.8 [For SF] High-Rise Inspection Fees. For inspections of high-rise structures  
17 pursuant to Section 13217 of the *California Health and Safety Code*, the owner of the  
18 structure shall pay a fee to cover the department's costs of inspection. Such fee shall be  
19 calculated on the basis of ~~\$9.50~~ \$10.00 per 1000 square feet of gross floor area, and shall be  
20 collected by the fire department.

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22 Section 9. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by amending Section  
23 112.9 of Appendix Chapter 1 to read as follows:

24 112.9 [For SF] Plan Review Fees. Upon application for a permit for the erection of a  
25 new building or for alteration work for which plans are required by the department of building

1 inspection, the central permit bureau shall charge and collect a fee to compensate the fire  
2 department for its costs of reviewing plans submitted with building permit applications for  
3 compliance with fire safety regulations. The fee shall be based on the valuation of the work as  
4 determined by the department of building inspection. The fee for each permit shall be as set  
5 forth in Table 112-B. The fire department shall collect a fee in the amount of ~~\$90.00~~ \$95.00 per  
6 hour or fraction thereof for any back checking review of previously approved plans. The Fire  
7 Department shall offer Express Plan Review in accordance with the 2007 San Francisco Building  
8 Code. The Fire Department Express Plan Review surcharge fee shall be 50% of the total Fire  
9 Department plan review fee.

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11 Section 10. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by amending Section  
12 112.10 of Appendix Chapter 1 to read as follows:

13 112.10 [For SF] Field Inspection Fees. When the fire department determines a field  
14 inspection is also required to certify that building construction is in compliance with fire safety  
15 regulations, it shall calculate an additional fee to compensate for the additional costs to  
16 conduct such inspection(s). The central permit bureau shall collect the inspection fee due, as  
17 calculated by the fire department, prior to the issuance of a building permit. Additional  
18 inspection time required over the amount of time set forth in Table 106-C shall be purchased  
19 prior to inspection. The fire department shall collect a fee of ~~\$90.00~~ \$95.00 per hour for the cost  
20 of providing the inspection service. The fire department shall reimburse department of building  
21 inspection special fund for the costs incurred by the department of building inspection in  
22 collecting such fees. The fee for each permit shall be as set forth in Table 112-C. Initial field  
23 inspection fees will be charged for inspections of new fire alarm, sprinkler, and gaseous  
24 suppression systems per the notation in Table 112-C.

1 Section 11. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by amending Section  
2 112.11 of Appendix Chapter 1 to read as follows:

3 112.11 [For SF] Pre-application plan review. When a party wishes to discuss specific  
4 design issues or submit preliminary designs for review and comment by the Fire Department  
5 prior to formal application for permit, a fee of ~~\$180.00~~ \$190.00 will be assessed. This fee will  
6 provide the applicant with up to two hours for research and meeting with Fire Department  
7 personnel. *If the time required for the research and meeting exceeds 2 hours, additional fees will be*  
8 *assessed at the rate of \$95.00 per hour.*  
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10 Section 12. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by amending Section  
11 112.15 of Appendix Chapter 1 to read as follows:

12 112.15 [For SF] Overtime Fee. Upon a request from a person or firm for an inspection  
13 that is not scheduled during an employee's normal working schedule, an overtime fee will be  
14 charged. An overtime fee of ~~\$101.00~~ \$111.00 per hour shall be collected. The minimum  
15 compensation will be four hours.  
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17 Section 13. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by amending Section  
18 112.17 of Appendix Chapter 1 to read as follows:

19 112.17 [For SF] Water Flow Request Fee. Upon a request from a person or firm for  
20 water flow information, a water flow fee of ~~\$45.00~~ \$95.00 will be charged. If the information  
21 requested requires ~~that~~ Fire Department employees ~~are required~~ to perform an on-site water  
22 flow test, a fee of ~~\$180.00~~ \$190.00 will be charged.  
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24 Section 14. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by amending Section  
25 112.18 of Appendix Chapter 1 to read as follows:

1           112.18 [For SF] Residential Apartment/Hotel Inspection Fee. An inspection fee of \$146.00  
2 will be charged for the inspection of buildings under the R1 and R2 Residential Apartment/Hotel  
3 Inspection Program. Fee-Setting Procedure. Each year the Chief shall report the revenues received  
4 from each type of fee collected by the Fire Department, the costs, both direct and indirect, incurred in  
5 providing the services for which the fee is assessed, the anticipated costs for the ensuing fiscal year and  
6 the rates which would be necessary to support such cost for each type of fee. The Chief shall file the  
7 report with the Controller not later than April 1st of each year pursuant to the provisions of the San  
8 Francisco Administrative Code. The Controller shall file said report with the Board of Supervisors no  
9 later than May 15th of each year. The Board of Supervisors shall, by ordinance, establish or adjust the  
10 rates for any Fire Department fees. The rates set shall be equal to, but not greater than, the rates  
11 necessary to support the costs of providing the services for which each fee is assessed.

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13           Section 15. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by adding Section  
14 112.19 of Appendix Chapter 1 to read as follows:

15           112.19 [For SF] Key Box Installation and Maintenance Program. A maintenance fee of \$52.00  
16 will be charged annually for the Key Box Installation and Maintenance Program.

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18           Section 16. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by adding Section  
19 112.20 of Appendix Chapter 1 to read as follows:

20           112.20 [For SF] Fee-Setting Procedure. Each year the Chief shall report the revenues  
21 received from each type of fee collected by the Fire Department, the costs, both direct and indirect,  
22 incurred in providing the services for which the fee is assessed, the anticipated costs for the ensuing  
23 fiscal year and the rates which would be necessary to support such cost for each type of fee. The Chief  
24 shall file the report with the Controller not later than April 1st of each year pursuant to the provisions  
25 of the San Francisco Administrative Code. The Controller shall file said report with the Board of

1 Supervisors no later than May 15th of each year. The Board of Supervisors shall, by ordinance,  
 2 establish or adjust the rates for any Fire Department fees. The rates set shall be equal to, but not  
 3 greater than, the rates necessary to support the costs of providing the services for which each fee is  
 4 assessed.

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 6 Section 17. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by amending  
 7 Table 112-A of Appendix Chapter 1 to read as follows:

8 TABLE 112-A -- PERMIT FEES

9	TYPE OF PERMIT	FEE
10	Aircraft repair hanger	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
11	Aircraft refueling vehicles	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
12	Automobile parking station	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
13	Burning, removal of paint	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
14	Cellulose nitrate film	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
15	Cellulose nitrate storage	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
16	Combustible fiber storage	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
17	Combustible material storage	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
18	Combustible metal processing	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
19	<del>Compressed gases</del>	<del>\$180.00</del>
20	<u>Compressed gases, n</u> Nonflammable	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
21	<u>Compressed gases, f</u> Flammable	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
22	Installation of nonflammable medical gas system	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
23	Installation of flammable gas system	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
24	Conditional use	\$90.00
25	<del>Cryogenic fluids</del>	<del>\$180.00</del>

1	<u>Cryogenic fluids, s</u> Store, sell or handle	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
2	<u>Cryogenic fluids, t</u> Transport	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
3	Dry-cleaning plant	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
4	Dust-producing machinery	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
5	<del><u>Explosives</u></del>	<del>\$180.00</del>
6	<u>Explosives, r</u> Receive	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
7	<u>Explosives, s</u> Store	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
8	<del><u>Fireworks</u></del>	<del>\$180.00</del>
9	<u>Fireworks, D</u> isplay or special effects	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
10	<u>Fireworks, I</u> mport or export	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
11	<u>Fireworks, S</u> ell, maintain or store	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
12	<u>Fireworks, T</u> ransport	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
13	<u>Firefighter air systems, maintenance</u>	<u>\$270.00</u>
14	Flammable finishes, application of	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
15	Limited spray paint	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
16	<del><u>Flammable liquids</u></del>	<del>\$180.00</del>
17	<u>Flammable liquids, i</u> nstallation or modification of	
18	piping systems, including dispensers	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
19	<u>Flammable liquids, i</u> nstallation of <del>underground</del> <u>storage</u> tanks	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
20	<u>Flammable liquids, p</u> ortable storage tank	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
21	<u>Flammable liquids, m</u> anufacture, processing,	
22	blending or refining	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
23	<u>Flammable liquids, r</u> emoval, abandonment,	
24	emptying or disposing of any flammable liquid tank	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
25	<u>Flammable liquids, s</u> ervice station, attendant	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>

1	<u>Flammable liquids, s</u> Self-service station	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
2	<u>Flammable liquids, s</u> Self-service station partial	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
3	<u>Flammable liquids, s</u> Storage and handling	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
4	<u>Flammable liquids, t</u> Tank vehicle	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
5	<u>Flammable liquids, d</u> Dispensing from a tank vehicle	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
6	<u>Flammable liquids, t</u> Testing <del>flammable liquid</del> tank for leakage	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
7	<u>Flammable liquids, u</u> Use or excavation near a pipeline	
8	used to transport	<del>—————</del> <del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
9	Fruit-ripening process	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
10	Fumigation or thermal insecticidal fogging <del>concern</del>	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
11	<del>Hazardous chemicals</del>	<del>—————</del> <del>\$180.00</del>
12	<u>Hazardous materials, s</u> Storage	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
13	<u>Hazardous materials, t</u> Transportation	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
14	High-piled combustible storage	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
15	Hot work on piers (daily)	\$90.00
16	Hot work on piers (annual)	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
17	Industrial ovens	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
18	<del>Liquefied petroleum gases</del>	<del>—————</del> <del>\$180.00</del>
19	<u>Liquefied petroleum gases, h</u> Handling	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
20	<u>Liquefied petroleum gases, r</u> Receiving	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
21	<u>Liquefied petroleum gases, s</u> Storing	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
22	<u>Liquefied petroleum gases, t</u> Transporting	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
23	<u>Liquefied petroleum gases, u</u> Using	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
24	<u>Liquefied petroleum gases, u</u> Unit inspection fee	\$10.00
25	<u>Liquefied petroleum gases, i</u> Installation	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>

1	Lumber storage	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
2	Manufacture of any organic coating	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
3	Mechanical refrigeration	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
4	Oil wells	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
5	Open burning	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
6	<del>Open flame devices</del>	<del>\$180.00</del>
7	<del>Open flame devices, on a marina</del>	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
8	<del>Open flame devices, in public assembly</del>	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
9	Commercial mobile barbeque unit	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
10	Operate or maintain any heliport or helistop	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
11	Parade floats	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
12	Public assembly	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
13	Public assembly-permanent occupancy	
14	for non-profit group	\$0.00
15	Vehicle garage, storage/repair garage	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
16	Radioactive material, storage of	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
17	Readily combustible material, storage of	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
18	Roofing, application with open flame	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
19	Tent or temporary membrane structure	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
20	Tire rebuilding operation	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
21	Vehicle wrecking yards, junk or waste material	
22	handling plants	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
23	Vending and standing space	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
24	Welding and cutting	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$270.00</u>
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1 Section 18. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by amending  
 2 Table 112-B of Appendix Chapter 1 to read as follows:

3 TABLE 112-B—PLAN REVIEW FEES

4 VALUATION		5 FEE
6 Over	7 Not More Than	
8 <del>\$0</del>	9 <del>\$500</del>	10 <del>\$45.00</del>
11 <del>\$500</del>	12 <del>\$2,000</del>	13 <del>\$60.19 plus \$12.253</del>
		14 <del>per \$1,000 over \$500</del>
15 <del>\$2,000</del>	16 <del>\$25,000</del>	17 <del>\$78.57 plus \$9.071</del>
		18 <del>per \$1,000 over \$2,000</del>
19 <del>\$25,000</del>	20 <del>\$50,000</del>	21 <del>\$287.21 plus \$6.110</del>
		22 <del>per \$1,000 over \$25,000</del>
23 <del>\$50,000</del>	24 <del>\$100,000</del>	25 <del>\$439.96 plus \$4.082</del>
		<del>per \$1,000 over \$50,000</del>
26 <del>\$100,000</del>	27 <del>\$500,000</del>	28 <del>\$644.10 plus \$1.678</del>
		29 <del>per \$1,000 over \$100,000</del>
30 <del>\$500,000</del>	31 <del>\$1,000,000</del>	32 <del>\$1,315.67 plus \$0.940</del>
		33 <del>per \$1,000 over \$500,000</del>
34 <del>\$1,000,000</del>	35 <del>\$5,000,000</del>	36 <del>\$1,785.67 plus \$0.714</del>
		37 <del>per \$1,000 over \$1,000,000</del>
38 <del>\$5,000,000</del>		39 <del>\$4,644.26 plus \$0.361</del>
		40 <del>per \$1,000 over \$5,000,000</del>
41 <del>\$0</del>	42 <del>\$500</del>	43 <del>\$47.50</del>
44 <del>\$500</del>	45 <del>\$2,000</del>	46 <del>\$72.23 plus \$14.703</del>

1			<i>per \$1,000 over \$500</i>
2	<u>\$2,000</u>	<u>\$25,000</u>	<u>\$94.28 plus \$10.886</u>
3			<i>per \$1,000 over \$2,000</i>
4	<u>\$25,000</u>	<u>\$50,000</u>	<u>\$344.65 plus \$7.332</u>
5			<i>per \$1,000 over \$25,000</i>
6	<u>\$50,000</u>	<u>\$100,000</u>	<u>\$527.95 plus \$4.899</u>
7			<i>per \$1,000 over \$50,000</i>
8	<u>\$100,000</u>	<u>\$500,000</u>	<u>\$772.92 plus \$2.015</u>
9			<i>per \$1,000 over \$100,000</i>
10	<u>\$500,000</u>	<u>\$1,000,000</u>	<u>\$1,578.80 plus \$1.128</u>
11			<i>per \$1,000 over \$500,000</i>
12	<u>\$1,000,000</u>	<u>\$5,000,000</u>	<u>\$2,142.80 plus \$0.858</u>
13			<i>per \$1,000 over \$1,000,000</i>
14	<u>\$5,000,000</u>		<u>\$5,573.12 plus \$0.433</u>
15			<i>per \$1,000 over \$5,000,000</i>

18 Section 19. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by amending Table  
 19 112-C of Appendix Chapter 1 to read as follows:

20 TABLE 112-C—FIELD INSPECTION FEES (See notation for additional fees)

21	VALUATION		FEE/INSPECTION TIME CREDIT
22	Over	Not More Than	
23	\$0	\$10,000	<del>\$90.00</del> <u>\$95.00</u> ONE HOUR
24	\$10,000	\$50,000	<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$190.00</u> TWO HOURS
25	\$50,000	\$500,000	<del>\$270.00</del> <u>\$285.00</u> THREE HOURS

1	\$500,000	\$5,000,000	<del>\$450.00</del> <u>\$475.00</u> FIVE HOURS
2	\$5,000,000	\$10,000,000	<del>\$900.00</del> <u>\$950.00</u> TEN HOURS
3	\$10,000,000	\$25,000,000	<del>\$1,800.00</del> <u>\$1,900.00</u> TWENTY HOURS
4	\$25,000,000		<del>\$2,700.00</del> <u>\$2,850.00</u> THIRTY HOURS
5	NOTATION TO TABLE 112-C:		
6	NEW FIRE ALARM SYSTEMS		<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$190.00</u> TWO HOURS
7	NEW SPRINKLER SYSTEMS		<del>\$270.00</del> <u>\$285.00</u> THREE HOURS
8	NEW GASEOUS SUPPRESSION SYSTEMS		<del>\$180.00</del> <u>\$190.00</u> TWO HOURS

9 This initial minimum inspection fee covers all inspections up to the hours specified  
10 above. If the inspections for the new system exceed the hours specified above,  
11 additional hourly fees will be assessed.

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13 Section 20. This ordinance shall become operative on its effective date or on July 1,  
14 2008, whichever is later.

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17 APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
18 DENNIS J. HERRERA, City Attorney

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20 By: \_\_\_\_\_  
21 KATHARINE HOBIN PORTER  
22 Deputy City Attorney

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