

1 [Fees for Fire Department Services and Permits – Fire Code.]

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3 **Ordinance amending Sections 112.2, 112.3, 112.7, 112.8, 112.9, 112.10, 112.11, 112.15,**
4 **112.17, 112.18, 112.19 and Tables 112-A, 112-B and 112-C of Appendix Chapter 1 of the**
5 **San Francisco Fire Code to increase fees for certain Fire Department services and**
6 **permits and to add additional permits, to become operative on its effective date or on**
7 **July 1, 2009, whichever is later, and making environmental findings.**

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9 Note: Additions are *single-underline italics Times New Roman*;
10 deletions are ~~*strikethrough italics Times New Roman*~~.
11 Board amendment additions are double underlined.
Board amendment deletions are ~~strikethrough normal~~.

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

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

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19 Section 2. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by amending Section
20 112.2 of Appendix Chapter 1 to read as follows:

21 112.2 [For SF] Permit Filing Fees. The filing fee for each permit shall be as set forth in
22 Table 112-A. Permit related services, including inspections, that require more than two hours
23 to complete, shall be subject to an additional fee of ~~\$95.00~~ \$110.00 for each hour.

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1 Section 3. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by amending Section
2 112.3 of Appendix Chapter 1 to read as follows:

3 112.3 [For SF] Reinspection of Violation Fees. If an inspection by a designated officer
4 or employee of the fire department discloses a violation(s) of this code, the chief shall
5 determine a period of time that is reasonable to remedy the violation and reinspect the
6 property to verify such correction. The department shall collect a fee in the amount of
7 ~~\$190.00~~\$220.00 to compensate for its costs of performing such reinspection to certify correction
8 of the code violation(s) and secure compliance with the applicable requirements. If the time
9 required for the inspection exceeds 1 hour, additional fees will be assessed at the rate of
10 ~~\$95.00~~\$110.00 per hour.

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12 Section 4. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by amending Section
13 112.7 of Appendix Chapter 1 to read as follows:

14 112.7 [For SF] Referral Fees. Upon the request of a government agency for a
15 preliminary site inspection or survey of a premise for compliance with this code or other
16 regulatory codes enforced by this department, a service fee of ~~\$95.00~~\$110.00 per hour shall
17 be collected for such on-site inspections and consultations. Fees shall be paid at the time the
18 request is submitted. Fees referenced in the California Health and Safety Code shall take
19 precedence over this fee.

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21 Section 5. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by amending Section
22 112.8 of Appendix Chapter 1 to read as follows:

23 112.8 [For SF] High-Rise Inspection Fees. For inspections of high-rise structures
24 pursuant to Section 13217 of the *California Health and Safety Code*, the owner of the
25 structure shall pay a fee to cover the department's costs of inspection. Such fee shall be

1 calculated on the basis of ~~\$10.00~~ \$11.00 per 1000 square feet of gross floor area, and shall be
2 collected by the fire department.

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4 Section 6. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by amending Section
5 112.9 of Appendix Chapter 1 to read as follows:

6 112.9 [For SF] Plan Review Fees. Upon application for a permit for the erection of a
7 new building or for alteration work for which plans are required by the department of building
8 inspection, the central permit bureau shall charge and collect a fee to compensate the fire
9 department for its costs of reviewing plans submitted with building permit applications for
10 compliance with fire safety regulations. The fee shall be based on the valuation of the work as
11 determined by the department of building inspection. The fee for each permit shall be as set
12 forth in Table 112-B. The fire department shall collect a fee in the amount of ~~\$95.00~~ \$110.00
13 per hour or fraction thereof for any back checking review of previously approved plans. The
14 Fire Department shall offer ExpressPremium Plan Review in accordance with the 2007 San
15 Francisco Building Code. The Fire Department ExpressPremium Plan Review surcharge fee
16 shall be 50% of the total Fire Department plan review fee.

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18 Section 7. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by amending Section
19 112.10 of Appendix Chapter 1 to read as follows:

20 112.10 [For SF] Field Inspection Fees. When the fire department determines a field
21 inspection is also required to certify that building construction is in compliance with fire safety
22 regulations, it shall calculate an additional fee to compensate for the additional costs to
23 conduct such inspection(s). The central permit bureau shall collect the inspection fee due, as
24 calculated by the fire department, prior to the issuance of a building permit. Additional
25 inspection time required over the amount of time set forth in Table 106-C shall be purchased

1 prior to inspection. The fire department shall collect a fee of ~~\$95.00~~ \$110.00 per hour for the
2 cost of providing the inspection service. The fire department shall reimburse department of
3 building inspection special fund for the costs incurred by the department of building inspection
4 in collecting such fees. The fee for each permit shall be as set forth in Table 112-C. Initial
5 field inspection fees will be charged for inspections of new fire alarm, sprinkler, and gaseous
6 suppression systems per the notation in Table 112-C.

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8 Section 8. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by amending Section
9 112.11 of Appendix Chapter 1 to read as follows:

10 112.11 [For SF] Pre-application plan review. When a party wishes to discuss specific
11 design issues or submit preliminary designs for review and comment by the Fire Department
12 prior to formal application for permit, a fee of ~~\$190.00~~ \$220.00 will be assessed. This fee will
13 provide the applicant with up to two hours for research and meeting with Fire Department
14 personnel. If the time required for the research and meeting exceeds 2 hours, additional fees
15 will be assessed at the rate of ~~\$95.00~~ \$110.00 per hour.

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17 Section 9. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by amending Section
18 112.15 of Appendix Chapter 1 to read as follows:

19 112.15 [For SF] Overtime Fee. Upon a request from a person or firm for an inspection
20 that is not scheduled during an employee's normal working schedule, an overtime fee will be
21 charged. An overtime fee of ~~\$111.00~~ \$117.00 per hour shall be collected. The minimum
22 compensation will be four hours.

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24 Section 10. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by amending Section
25 112.17 of Appendix Chapter 1 to read as follows:

1 112.17 [For SF] Water Flow Request Fee. Upon a request from a person or firm for
 2 water flow information, a water flow fee of ~~\$95.00~~ \$110.00 will be charged. If the information
 3 requested requires Fire Department employees to perform an on-site water flow test, a fee of
 4 ~~\$190.00~~ \$220.00 will be charged.

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 6 Section 11. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by amending Section
 7 112.18 of Appendix Chapter 1 to read as follows:

8 112.18 [For SF] Residential Apartment/Hotel Inspection Fee. An inspection fee of
 9 ~~\$146.00~~ \$157.00 will be charged for the inspection of buildings under the R1 and R2 Residential
 10 Apartment/Hotel Inspection Program.

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 12 Section 12. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by adding Section
 13 112.19 of Appendix Chapter 1 to read as follows:

14 112.19 [For SF] Key Box Installation and Maintenance Program. A maintenance fee of
 15 ~~\$52.00~~ \$60.00 will be charged annually for the Key Box Installation and Maintenance Program.

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 17 Section 13. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by amending
 18 Table 112-A of Appendix Chapter 1 to read as follows:

19 TABLE 112-A -- PERMIT FEES

20 TYPE OF PERMIT	FEE
21 Aircraft repair hanger <u>Aviation Facilities</u>	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
22 Aircraft refueling vehicles	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
23 <u>Amusement Buildings, Operation</u>	<u>\$330.00</u>
24 Automobile parking station	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
25 <u>Battery System, Operation</u>	<u>\$330.00</u>

1	Burning, removal of paint	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
2	<u>Carnivals and Fairs, Operation</u>	<u>\$330.00</u>
3	Cellulose nitrate film, <u>storage, handling, or use</u>	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
4	Cellulose nitrate storage	\$270.00
5	<u>Combustible Dust-Producing Operations</u>	<u>\$330.00</u>
6	Combustible fiber storage	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
7	Combustible material storage	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
8	Combustible metal processing	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
9	Compressed gases, nonflammable	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
10	Compressed gases, flammable	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
11	<u>Covered mall buildings, Operation</u>	<u>\$330.00</u>
12	Installation of nonflammable medical gas system	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
13	Installation of flammable gas system	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
14	Conditional use	\$90.00
15	Cryogenic fluids, <u>produce, store, sell, or handle,</u>	
16	<u>dispense, or transport on-site</u>	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
17	Cryogenic fluids, transport	\$270.00
18	Dry-cleaning plant	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
19	Dust-producing machinery	\$270.00
20	Explosives, receive	\$270.00
21	<u>Exhibits and Trade Shows</u>	<u>\$330.00</u>
22	Explosives, store <u>storage, handling, sale, or use</u>	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
23	Fireworks, display or special effects	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
24	Fireworks, import or export	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
25	Fireworks, sell, maintain or store	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>

1	Fireworks, transport	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
2	Firefighter air systems, maintenance	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
3	Flammable finishes, application of (<i>including</i>	
4	<i>floor finishes</i>)	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
5	Limited spray paint	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
6	Flammable liquids, installation or modification of	
7	pipng systems, including dispensers	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
8	Flammable liquids, installation of storage tanks	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
9	Flammable liquids, portable storage tank	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
10	Flammable liquids, manufacture, processing,	
11	blending or refining	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
12	Flammable liquids, removal, abandonment,	
13	emptying or disposing of any flammable liquid tank	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
14	Flammable liquids, service station, attendant	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
15	Flammable liquids, self-service station	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
16	Flammable liquids, self-service station partial	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
17	Flammable liquids, storage and handling	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
18	Flammable liquids, tank vehicle	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
19	Flammable liquids, dispensing from a tank vehicle	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
20	Flammable liquids, testing tank for leakage	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
21	Flammable liquids, use or excavation near a pipeline	
22	used to transport	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
23	Fruit-ripening process	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
24	Fumigation or thermal insecticidal fogging	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
25	Hazardous materials, storage	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>

1	Hazardous materials, transportation <u>use, transport</u>	
2	<u>on-site, dispense or handle</u>	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
3	High-piled combustible storage	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
4	<u>Hot work operations (annual)</u>	<u>\$330.00</u>
5	Hot work on piers (daily)	\$90.00
6	Hot work on piers (annual)	\$270.00
7	Industrial ovens	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
8	Liquefied petroleum gases, handling	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
9	Liquefied petroleum gases, receiving	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
10	Liquefied petroleum gases, storing	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
11	Liquefied petroleum gases, transporting	\$270.00
12	Liquefied petroleum gases, using	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
13	Liquefied petroleum gases, unit inspection fee	\$10.00
14	Liquefied petroleum gases, installation	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
15	<u>Liquid or gas-fueled vehicles or equipment in</u>	
16	<u>assembly buildings</u>	<u>\$330.00</u>
17	Lumber storage	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
18	<u>Magnesium processing</u>	<u>\$330.00</u>
19	Manufacture of any organic coating	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
20	Mechanical refrigeration	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
21	Oil wells	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
22	Open burning	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
23	Open flame devices, on a marina	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
24	Open flame devices, in public assembly, <u>bar, or</u>	
25	<u>restaurant</u>	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>

1	Commercial mobile barbeque unit	\$270.00
2	Operate or maintain any heliport or helistop	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
3	Parade floats	\$270.00
4	Public assembly	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
5	Public assembly-permanent occupancy	
6	for non-profit group	\$0.00
7	<u>Pyroxylin Plastics, storage or handling</u>	<u>\$330.00</u>
8	Vehicle garage, storage/repair garage	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
9	Radioactive material, storage of	\$270.00
10	Readily combustible material, storage of	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
11	<u>Refrigeration equipment</u>	<u>\$330.00</u>
12	Roofing, application with open flame	\$270.00
13	<u>Spraying or dipping operations</u>	<u>\$330.00</u>
14	Tent, <u>canopies</u> , or temporary membrane structures	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
15	Tire rebuilding operation	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
16	<u>Tires, scrap storage</u>	<u>\$330.00</u>
17	Vehicle wrecking yards, junk or waste material	
18	handling plants	\$270.00 <u>\$330.00</u>
19	Vending and standing space	\$270.00
20	Welding and cutting	\$180.00 <u>\$330.00</u>

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22 Section 14. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by amending

23 Table 112-B of Appendix Chapter 1 to read as follows:

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1	<u>\$25,000</u>	<u>\$50,000</u>	<u>\$399.80 plus \$8.505</u>
2			<u>per \$1,000 over \$25,000</u>
3	<u>\$50,000</u>	<u>\$100,000</u>	<u>\$612.42 plus \$5.683</u>
4			<u>per \$1,000 over \$50,000</u>
5	<u>\$100,000</u>	<u>\$500,000</u>	<u>\$896.59 plus \$2.337</u>
6			<u>per \$1,000 over \$100,000</u>
7	<u>\$500,000</u>	<u>\$1,000,000</u>	<u>\$1,831.41 plus \$1.308</u>
8			<u>per \$1,000 over \$500,000</u>
9	<u>\$1,000,000</u>	<u>\$5,000,000</u>	<u>\$2,485.65 plus \$0.995</u>
10			<u>per \$1,000 over \$1,000,000</u>
11	<u>\$5,000,000</u>		<u>\$6,464.81 plus \$0.502</u>
12			<u>per \$1,000 over \$5,000,000</u>

13 NOTATION TO TABLE 112-B:

14 EVACUATION SIGNAGE: Plan review beyond thirty minutes will be assessed at an hourly rate
 15 of \$110.00 per hour.

17 Section 15. The San Francisco Fire Code is hereby amended by amending Table
 18 112-C of Appendix Chapter 1 to read as follows:

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

20	VALUATION		FEE/INSPECTION TIME CREDIT
21	Over	Not More Than	
22	\$0	\$10,000	\$95.00 <u>\$110.00</u> ONE HOUR
23	\$10,000	\$50,000	\$190.00 <u>\$220.00</u> TWO HOURS
24	\$50,000	\$500,000	\$285.00 <u>\$330.00</u> THREE HOURS
25	\$500,000	\$5,000,000	\$475.00 <u>\$550.00</u> FIVE HOURS

1	\$5,000,000	\$10,000,000	\$950.00 <u>\$1,100.00</u> TEN HOURS
2	\$10,000,000	\$25,000,000	\$1,900.00 <u>\$2,200.00</u> TWENTY HOURS
3	\$25,000,000		\$2,850.00 <u>\$3,300.00</u> THIRTY HOURS
4	NOTATION TO TABLE 112-C:		
5	NEW FIRE ALARM SYSTEMS		\$190.00 <u>\$220.00</u> TWO HOURS
6	NEW SPRINKLER SYSTEMS		\$285.00 <u>\$330.00</u> THREE HOURS
7	NEW GASEOUS SUPPRESSION SYSTEMS		\$190.00 <u>\$220.00</u> TWO HOURS

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

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12 Section 16. This ordinance shall become operative on its effective date or on July 1,
13 2009, whichever is later.

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

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19 By: _____
20 KATHARINE HOBIN PORTER
21 Deputy City Attorney

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