

**RESOLUTION NO. 17- 133**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BENICIA ADOPTING A MASTER FEE SCHEDULE THAT INCLUDES CHANGES IN DEPARTMENTAL FEE STRUCTURES, INCLUDING DEVELOPMENT RELATED FEES AND CHARGES**

**WHEREAS**, City Departments and NBS conducted a Citywide User Fee Study, developed data and conducted surveys as necessary to support the need to amend the current fees and charges schedules; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has determined that current fees charged by Building, Planning, Engineering, Finance, Fire, Library, and Police are not sufficient to recover the actual estimated processing and filing costs associated with development proposals and various activities; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has reviewed the proposed fee schedules for these divisions and departments and has determined that the fees in the new Master Fee Schedule are appropriate for the various types of applications; and

**WHEREAS**, the adjusted development and other fees do not exceed the estimated reasonable costs of providing the services in accordance with Government Code §§66013 and 66014; and

**WHEREAS**, the adoption of new processing fees does not constitute a project as defined by §15378(b)(4) of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council at a regular meeting on August 15, 2017, conducted a public hearing and reviewed the proposed fee schedule.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the City Council of the City of Benicia hereby resolves as follows:

1. That the new Building, Engineering, Zoning, Subdivision, Environmental Quality Act Fees, Fire, Police, and other various fees and charges be incorporated into the revised Master Fee Schedule approved for the processing of applications by the City Council on August 15, 2017;
2. That the revised Master Fee Schedule will become effective on October 16, 2017;
3. That the Master Fee Schedule will be updated by the Finance Director annually on July 1, with fees based on the annual San Francisco Bay Area Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the previous year. The new fees shall be rounded to the nearest \$1, as appropriate, and the updated Master Fee Schedule will be subject to approval by the City Council each year prior to implementation.

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On motion of Council Member **Schwartzman**, seconded by Council Member **Young**, the above resolution was introduced and passed by the City Council of the City of Benicia at a regular meeting of said Council held on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2017, and adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members Campbell, Hughes, Schwartzman, Young, and Mayor Patterson

Noes: None

Absent: None



Elizabeth Patterson, Mayor

Attest:



Lisa Wolfe, City Clerk

8-29-17

Date