

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA**

**A RESOLUTION TO
Increase the Santa Barbara County Fire Code
Permit Fees**

Resolution No. _____

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- a. Section 105 of the California Fire Code, as adopted by the Santa Barbara County Code Chapter 15 allows the Santa Barbara County Fire Department ("County Fire") to issue Fire Code Permits; and
 - b. A Fire Code Permit constitutes permission to maintain, store, use or handle materials, or to conduct processes which produce conditions hazardous to life or property, or to install equipment used in connection with such activities; and
 - c. Health and Safety Code Section 13916 authorizes County Fire to charge a fee to cover its costs associated with Fire Code Permits; and
 - d. Such a Fire Code Permit shall not take the place of any license required by law; and
 - e. All Fire Code Permit fees are based on the actual time spent by County Fire to perform related inspections and for permit processing; and
 - f. County Fire is responsible for conducting fire safety inspections as required on all commercial activities within the county; and
 - g. Hourly rates were calculated for the Fire Prevention Division and Operations Division Fire Inspectors; and
 - h. The costs of providing services has increased; and
 - i. The County Fire Code Permit Fees were last amended by a resolution of the Board of Supervisors on October 5, 2004; and
 - j. The fees may be revised as needed by the Board of Supervisors, and if the revision does not occur, the existing fees shall remain in effect; and

- k. The notice of the fee increase was provided in accordance with Government Code Section 6066; and
- l. The fees are given statutory CEQA exemption under Public Resource Code section 21080 subd. (b) (8) (1) & (2) and Title 14 (California Code of Regulations) section 15273.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Supervisors does resolve as follows:

- 1) The Santa Barbara County Fire Code Permit fees are amended as set forth in the attached fee schedule, which shall become effective on July 1, 2006
- 2) The permit fees do not exceed the reasonable cost of providing the related services by County Fire

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this 20th day of June 2006, by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:

Chair, Board of Supervisors
County of Santa Barbara

ATTEST:
MICHAEL F. BROWN
CLERK OF THE BOARD

By _____
Deputy Clerk

Approved as to Form:


Deputy County Counsel

Approved as to Form:
Auditor -Controller

By R. Eggertsen, deputy