

ITEM: 19.1 (ID # 20167)

MEETING DATE:

Tuesday, October 18, 2022

FROM: TLMA-TRANSPORTATION:

SUBJECT: TRANSPORTATION AND LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCY/TRANSPORTATION: Public Hearing for and Introduction of Ordinance No. 673.6, An Ordinance of the County of Riverside Amending Ordinance No. 673 Establishing a Coachella Valley Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee Program to increase the fees based on the annual Consumer Price Index adjustment under the Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee (TUMF) Program and add the new Employee Housing exemption for TUMF based on CVAG's Program; CEQA Exempt; Districts 4 and 5. [\$0]

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

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ACTION:Policy, Clerk to Advertise

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

10/5/2022

On motion of Supervisor Perez, seconded by Supervisor Washington and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended and that the above Ordinance is approved as introduced with a waiver of reading.

Ayes:

Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Hewitt

Navs:

None

Absent:

None

Date:

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XC:

Trans., COB

Kecia R. Harper

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current	Fiscal Year:	Next F	iscal Year:		Total Cost:	On	going Cost
COST	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0
NET COUNTY COST	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0
SOURCE OF FUNDS: N/A Budget Adjustment: No								
						For Fisca	l Year:	N/A

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BACKGROUND:

Summary

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Land Use Category

Fee per Unit

Residential

Single-Family Detached \$2,550/dwelling unit
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Nursing/Congregate Care \$545/dwelling unit
Transit Oriented Development 15% discount
Low Income Housing Exempt from Fee
Employee Housing Exempt from Fee

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Based on CVAG's new TUMF exemption for employee housing, the following changes will be made to Ordinance No. 673:

- 1. A new subsection c of Section 8 will be added to describe the rules of the employee housing exemption; and
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Ordinance No. 673.6 will also revise the phrase "restricted covenant" to "restrictive covenant" in subsection a.2 and subsection a.3 to maintain consistency with the legal definition of a covenant.

Ordinance No. 673.6 will become effective sixty days after adoption.

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Environmental Analysis

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Second, even if this is deemed to be a project subject to CEQA, the establishment or modification of fees charged by public agencies is statutorily exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines section 15273 when it is for the purpose of obtaining funds for capital projects, necessary to maintain service within existing service areas. CVAG recognized that there was insufficient funding to address the impacts of new development on the regional system of highways and arterials in Coachella Valley (Regional System) and created the transportation mitigation fee to fund the necessary improvements for the Regional System. CVAG increases the mitigation fees periodically pursuant to a nexus study and also annually. The member agencies of CVAG then review and adopt the increases to mitigation fee, as the County of Riverside is doing through the adoption of Ordinance No. 673.6.

Finally, Ordinance No. 673.6 is exempt pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines section 15061(b)(3) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the amendment to Ordinance No. 673 may have a significant effect on the environment. The revisions to Ordinance No. 673.6 involves adding a TUMF exemption for employee housing, adding a definition of employee housing, renumbering definitions, and increasing the fees based on the CVAG Executive Committee recommendation. None of these activities has any significant effect on the environment. Ordinance No. 673.6 with the increase in TUMF fees or exemption for employee housing facilities does not lead to any direct improvements, developments, or any other projects. Any future improvements, developments or other projects that may be constructed as a result of the fee increase or utilization of the employee housing exemption will be subject to a separate CEQA evaluation. As a result, adoption of Ordinance No. 673.6 is exempt from CEQA and there is no possibility that this amendment will cause a significant impact on the environment.

The Notice of Exemption will be filed upon the adoption of Ordinance No. 673.6

Impact on Residents and Businesses

The TUMF Program is intended to ensure that future development will contribute toward addressing the impacts of new growth on regional transportation infrastructure. Funding collected through the TUMF Program is used to construct transportation improvements that will

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ORDINANCE NO. 673.6

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 673

ESTABLISHING A COACHELLA VALLEY TRANSPORTATION

UNIFORM MITIGATION FEE PROGRAM

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The Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside ordains as follows:

Section 1. Section 4. of Ordinance No. 673 is amended to read as follows:

"DEFINITIONS. As used in this ordinance, the following words, terms, and phrases shall have the following meanings:

- "Average Weekday Trips". The average number of daily vehicle trips to or from a designated land use Monday through Friday.
- b. "Change of Use". Any change in the use of an existing building that results in the increase of vehicular trips.
- "Coachella Valley". The TUMF collection boundary area as described by the Coachella Valley Association of Governments Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee Handbook, as may be amended from time to time.
- d. "Coachella Valley Association of Governments" or "CVAG". The legal entity that manages and administers the TUMF in accordance with the laws of the State of California.
- e. "Development". Any activity which requires discretionary or ministerial action by the County resulting in the issuance of grading, building, plumbing, mechanical, or electrical permits, or certificates of occupancy issued by the County to construct, or change the use of, a building or property. Where Development applies to an enlargement of an existing building, or a change of use of an existing building which results in

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increased vehicle trips, the average weekday trips shall be only the additional trips in excess of those associated with the existing use.

- f. "Employee Housing". Any housing which meets the definition of "employee housing" as defined in the California Employee Housing Act (EHA), Health and Safety Code section 17000 et seq.
- g. "Industrial". Land uses including all light manufacturing, industrial parks, warehouses, mini-warehouses, greenhouses and utilities.
- h. "Low and Lower Income Housing". Single-family homes, apartments, and mobile homes built for those whose income is no more than 80% of the median income in the San Bernardino-Riverside Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area and as determined and approved by the County. Single-family homes are also known as One Family Dwellings as defined in Ordinance No. 348, which may be amended from time to time.
- i. "Multi-Family and Mobile Home Parks". Land uses typically include, but are not limited to, high-rise and low-rise apartments, high-rise and low-rise condominiums, and mobile home parks. A Mobile Home Park is a planned development designed to accommodate mobile homes for recreational vehicles on individual pad sites, for lease or rent. Multi-Family are also known as Multiple Family Dwellings, as defined in Ordinance No. 348, which may be amended from time to time.
- j. "Nursing/Congregate Care". Nursing/Congregate Care uses provide a group of rooms with shared living quarters for unrelated persons. Occupants of Nursing/Congregate Care uses live and eat together with other persons in the building sharing at a minimum communal kitchen, dining and living facilities. Land uses typically include nursing homes, group homes, correctional facilities, mental hospitals, college dormitories, military barracks, missions, and shelters. Nursing/Congregate Care are also known

as Community Care Facilities, as defined in Ordinance No. 348, which may be amended from time to time.

- k. "Office". Land uses including general office buildings, corporate headquarters, public facilities, medical office buildings, research centers, office parks, business parks, insurance offices, trade schools and other training centers.
- "Regional System". The regional system of roads, streets and arterials, and highways identified by CVAG in its 2016 Transportation Project Prioritization Study ("TPPS") to accommodate growth in the Coachella Valley to the year 2040.
- m. "Retail". All sales tax producing retail related uses. Retail uses include retail, general merchandise, specialty retail centers, discount stores, hardware or paint stores, beauty salons, supermarkets, wholesale markets, apparel stores, furniture stores, and automotive parts or supply stores.
- n. "Single-Family Detached", also known as a One Family Dwelling as defined in Ordinance No. 348. A home on an individual lot, including subdivisions with public streets, or dwelling units within a planned unit development. Single-Family Detached also includes mobile homes not in a Mobile Home Park.
- o. "Transit-Oriented Development" or "TOD". A development project consisting of residential use or mixed use, where not less than fifty (50%) percent of the floor space is for residential use if located within one-half mile of a transit station and with direct walking access to the transit station, within one-half mile of convenience retail uses including a store that sells food, and with a maximum number of parking spaces as required by Ordinance No. 348 as may be amended from time to time.

1		p. "Trip Generation Rate". The number of	of average weekday trips generated by
2		a particular land use."	
3	Section 2.	Subsection a. of Section 7. of Ordinance No. 6	573 is amended to read as follows:
4	"a.	The following TUMF schedule is effective thr	rough December 31, 2022:
5		Land Use Category:	Fee per Unit:
6		Residential	
7		Single-Family Detached	\$2,358/dwelling unit
8		Multi-Family and Mobile Home Parks	\$1,358/dwelling unit
9		Nursing/Congregate Care	\$505/dwelling unit
10		Transit Oriented Development	15% discount
11		Low Income Housing	Exempt from Fee
12		Employee Housing	Exempt from Fee
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14		Non-Residential	
15		Industrial	\$1,240/1,000SF
16		Office	\$2,440/1,000SF
17		Retail	\$6,135/1,000SF
18		Fuel – Gas	\$8,790/dispenser
19		Fuel – Electric	\$93/dispenser
20		Golf Course	\$939/acre
21		Hotel	\$3,583/room
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23		The following TUMF schedule is effective beg	ginning on January 1, 2023:
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2		Transit Oriented Development	15% discount		
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10		Fuel – Gas	\$9,515/dispenser		
11		Fuel – Electric	\$100/dispenser		
12		Golf Course	\$1,015/acre		
13		Hotel	\$3,880/room"		
14	Section 3.	Subsection a. of Section 8 of Ordinance No. 673 is	amended to read as follows:		
15	"a.	Low and Lower-Income Residential Housing. The	following requirements apply:		
16		1. Exemptions granted for Low and Lower-Ir	ncome Residential Housing must		
17		be reported in the County's monthly TUMF	report.		
18		2. For rental housing, the units shall be made	available, rented and restricted to		
19		low-income households (as defined in H	lealth and Safety Code section		
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3. For "for-sale" housing units, the units shall be sold to persons or families of low income (as defined in Health and Safety Code section 50093 as may be amended from time to time) at a purchase price that will not cause the

the term of fifty-five (55) years to qualify for the exemption.

50079.5 and section 50053 as may be amended from time to time) at an

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of a certificate of occupancy for new residential development. A restrictive

covenant shall be recorded with the County and shall run with the land for

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purchaser's monthly housing cost to exceed affordable housing cost (as defined in Health and Safety Code section 50052.5 as may be amended from time to time). Affordable units that are "for-sale" housing units shall be restricted to ownership by persons and families of low income for at least forty-five (45) years after the issuance of a certificate of occupancy for the new residential development. A restrictive covenant shall be recorded with the County and shall run with the land for the term of forty-five (45) years to qualify for the exemption."

Section 4. New subsection c. is added to Section 8 of Ordinance No. 673 to read as follows:

Employee Housing. The following requirements apply:

- 1. The Employee Housing facility must be listed as active on the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) registry. In the event that an Employee Housing facility is no longer active on the HCD registry, the TUMF shall immediately be due at the scheduled rate.
- 2. A restrictive covenant shall be recorded with the County and shall run with the land requiring the Employee Housing facility to be operated in accordance with the EHA, Health and Safety Code section 17000 et seq.
- 3. In the County's monthly TUMF report to CVAG, the County shall report any exemptions granted for Employee Housing facilities.
- 4. Annually, the County and CVAG shall determine whether any facility that was granted a TUMF exemption for Employee Housing remains on the HCD registry, as required, and still qualifies for this TUMF exemption."

1	Section 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.	This ordinance shall take effect sixty (60) days after its	S
2	adoption.		
3		BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA	
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5		By: Chair, Board of Supervisors	
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7	ATTEST: KECIA R. HARPER		
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COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE TRANSPORTATION AND LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCY



Transportation Department

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Important Announcement Mitigation Fee Increase

<u>January 1, 2023</u>, the Coachella Valley Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee or Eastern TUMF, (Ordinance No. 673), fees will increase.

The CVAG Executive Committee has approved an annual inflation factor which is included in the Eastern TUMF to account for rising construction costs. The inflation factor is based on the Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario Consumer Price Index (CPI).

Payment Category	Old Rate	New Rate	
Single Family Detached	\$ 2,358 per unit	\$ 2,550 per unit	
Multi-Family and Mobile Home Park Units (now one consolidated fee)	\$ 1,358 per unit	\$ 1,470 per unit	
Nursing/Congregate Care	\$ 505 per unit	\$ 545 per unit	
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Hotels	\$3,583 per room	\$3,880 per room	

Important to Note:

Per Ordinance the mitigation fees that are due are those calculated at the rate in effect at the time of payment, not invoice creation.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

If you have had mitigation fees calculated and invoiced, but are not able to pay prior to December 31, 2021, those calculated and invoiced fees will be voided. Updated calculated fees and invoices will be provided and will reflect the updated rates, as of January 1, 2023.

No Pre-Payment

In order to pay the fees you must have an approved entitlement (if applicable for your project) AND a building permit in PLAN CHECK status. Additionally, if you have previously paid mitigation fees but your permit expires after the fee increase you will be required to pay the difference in the mitigation fee rates when you renew your permit.

For questions, you may contact Fee Administration at (951) 955-6263 or Landuseinfo@rivco.org