

Reply to Common Council File No. 130790
From DOA-Budget and Management Division

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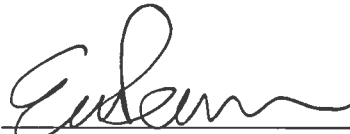
Common Council File 130790 contains an ordinance increasing various fees and forfeitures. These increases are part of Mayor Barrett's 2014 Proposed Budget.

Standard budget practice is to review and update as appropriate on an annual basis selected license, permits, fees, and special charges. Increases are proposed in order to maintain cost recovery for these activities so that they are not funded through the tax levy. This is part of the overall budget strategy of establishing a responsible balance between service and expenditure reductions and revenue increases. Adoption of this file is consistent with the direction that recent budgets have taken with respect to cost recovery and reducing fiscal imbalance.

The ordinance increases a small number of fees, including reinspections for health code and weights and measures violations, retail petroleum meter licenses, licenses for scales over 1,000 pounds, temporary bartender licenses, and loading zone permits. A new fee for plan examination for developments located in a flood plain is also created.

The estimated annual fiscal impact of these changes is \$42,955. Actual 2014 budget revenue impact is dependent on Comptroller estimate and recommendation.

**RECOMMENDATION: ADOPT COMMON COUNCIL FILE NUMBER
130790**



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