



Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR
AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Lee Price, City Clerk,
CMC

SUBJECT: Lobbyist Registration Fees and
Charges

DATE: 9/1/2004

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council adopt a resolution amending the 2004 – 2005 Schedule of Fees and Charges to establish lobbyist registration fees and delinquency charges.

BACKGROUND

The 2004 – 2005 Fees and Charges Report was adopted by the City Council on June 15, 2004. On August 24, 2004, the Council adopted the new Lobbying Ordinance which will be effective on September 24, 2004. The Ordinance language as adopted included fees for lobbyist registration, which are reflected in the recommended changes to the Schedule of Fees and Charges listed below.

ANALYSIS

Staff analyzed the anticipated costs associated with administering the new Lobbying Ordinance, and recommended setting fees at a cost recovery level. The recommended Lobbyist registration and delinquency fees are listed below as proposed amendments to the 2004-2005 Schedule of Fees and Charges:

9.090 Lobbyist Fees
(SJMC § 12.12.440)

Annual registration fee	\$350.00 per registrant plus \$60.00 per client
First-time registration fee if registration occurs on or after June 30 in a calendar year	\$175.00 per registrant plus \$60.00 per client
New client fee	\$60.00 per client
Delinquent registration fee	5% of the unpaid fee per day; maximum of 100% of the unpaid fee
Quarterly report delinquency fee	\$10.00 per day

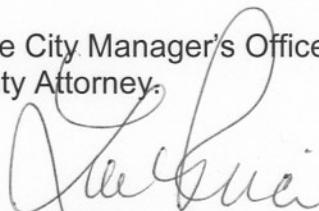
Several Council Members indicated during the first reading of the Ordinance that the City may want to charge nonprofit organizations a lower fee for registration of their staff who may qualify as lobbyists. The Resolution can be amended to reflect any such changes that the Council approves at the Council Meeting.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

The proposed Lobbyist fees and charges were included in all versions of the draft Lobbyist Ordinances considered by the Blue Ribbon Task Force from May to August. As part of the City's outreach effort, this information was provided to all of the currently registered lobbyists, members of the Developers' Roundtable, other interested members of the public, as well as numerous community associations, organizations and groups.

COORDINATION

This memorandum has been coordinated with the City Manager's Office, City Manager's Budget Office and the Office of the City Attorney.


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