

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

DATE: JANUARY 24, 2000

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION INCREASING THE VEHICLE IMPOUND AND DAILY STORAGE FEE IN CONNECTION WITH THE POLICE TOWING FRANCHISE SYSTEM, CHAPTER 10.46 OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council adopt a resolution increasing the vehicle impound and daily storage fee in connection with the Police Towing Franchise System, Chapter 10.46 of the Pasadena Municipal Code.

BACKGROUND

On November 8, 1999 the City Council authorized the City Manager to enter into modified towing franchise agreements with those firms holding non-exclusive franchises for police towing. These modified agreements were the result of negotiations between city staff and the tow operators in regard to the appropriateness of the City's towing franchise fee.

As part of the understanding arrived at between staff and the towing operators, was a commitment to request City Council authorization for an increase to the vehicle impound and daily storage fees associated with the franchise. The current vehicle impound fee is \$75 and the daily storage fee is \$15. The proposed new rates are \$78 for impounds and \$16.50 for daily storage. The proposed rates are equivalent to that charged in the City of Los Angeles.

FISCAL IMPACT

The revised towing franchise agreements require each operator to pay the City \$31,250 in franchise fees for the time period covering April 1998 through October 1999. Beginning this past November the annual franchise fee became \$30,000, payable in monthly installments of \$2,500. The operators are current in these payments and staff is in the process of establishing payment arrangements with each operator for the outstanding prior balances.

Increasing the vehicle impound and daily storage fees will bolster the tow operators' ability to make payment to the City in full and in a timely fashion.

Respectfully submitted



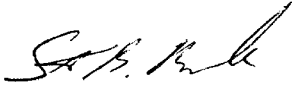
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