

Responses to Council Questions and Comments

8/5/2024

Item # 14: Resolution of the City Council of the City Of Petaluma Amending the Previously Adopted Master Fee Schedule to Add a Mobilehome Park Conversion Fee Pursuant to Section 8.34.120 of the Petaluma Municipal Code

- **Question:** Will the fee apply post dated to the request?
 - **Response:** The fee will apply to staff time expended and other costs incurred by the City in implementing Chapter 8.34 mobilehome park closure requirements. The fee, if adopted, will apply to pending park closure applications.
- **Question:** The request came in before this resolution, so will it apply?
 - **Response:** The fee will apply to pending applications.
- **Question:** I did not see any actual amounts of fees expected so how will the fee(s) be accumulated and projected forward?
 - **Response:** Staff time expended and costs incurred in processing pending mobilehome park closure applications will be recorded, and applicants will be invoiced for the staff time at the applicable rates and for other costs the City incurs in processing mobilehome park closure applications.
- **Question:** At the \$200+/hr. rates for engineering and high level staff, this fee may become substantial. How high could it go?
 - **Response:** The proposed rate implements the City's authority pursuant to Chapter 8.34 and other applicable law to recover up to the City's full cost of processing pending mobilehome park closure applications. The amount that may be recovered is not capped.
- **Question:** Will the park owners have to agree to the fee before proceeding forward with the legal work toward foreclosure?
 - **Response:** If the City Council adopts the proposed fees, park owners must timely reimburse the City for its invoiced costs as a condition of continued processing of the closure applications. This is consistent with other City application processing, such as development application processing.