## FY 2023-2024 BUDGET QUESTION

## Response to Request for Information

**DEPARTMENT(S): Development Services Department** 

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**REQUESTED BY: Vela** 

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REQUEST: Why is the mobile home park fee doubled (p. 791)?

**RESPONSE:** Development Services Department Code Compliance increased expenses allocated to the Mobile Home Park licenses to align with overall program changes, which were driven by an audit report issued by the Office of the City Auditor related to other licensing and registration fees. In addition, the City of Austin is expected to issue 9.8% fewer Mobile Home Park licenses in FY 2023-24 compared to FY 2021-22. A smaller denominator puts upward pressure on the fee.

Program changes that resulted in additional spending being allocated to the Mobile Home Park license program and the subsequent fee increase were: 1) removing the Repeat Offenders Program from registration fees, which impacted Waste Hauler, Short-Term Rental, Hotel, Motel, Boarding and Rooming House, and Mobile Home Park license fees, resulting in costs being allocated across fewer fees; 2) spending was added to the Mobile Home Park license program to account for inspector oversight that was required.