

## OPERATING BUDGET FISCAL NOTE

**DATE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:**

2/25/21

**CONTACT DEPARTMENT(S):**

Development Services; Emergency Medical Services

**FUND:**

Development Services; General

**SUBJECT:** Approve an ordinance waiving residential permitting and development fees related to repairing or reconstructing structures, and removing trees and tree limbs damaged as a result of winter weather events; waiving emergency medical services fees and costs for services provided during winter weather events; and declaring an emergency.

**CURRENT YEAR ESTIMATED IMPACT:**

Fees Waived (Estimated):

\$1,307,879	Residential Permitting, Inspection, and Development Fees (Development Services)
\$134,000	Non-Transport Related Fees (Emergency Medical Services)
\$166,000	Transport Fees (Emergency Medical Services)
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\$1,607,879	Total Fees Waived

**ANALYSIS / ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** If approved, this ordinance will waive certain fees for repairs and tree removal at residential properties. These fee waivers will assist in accomplishing the City's health and safety goal of preventing further damage at residential properties. Additionally, this ordinance will waive fees associated with services provided by the Emergency Medical Services Department (EMS). Because of the sustained volume of emergency calls during the February 2021 winter weather event, EMS adapted its operational approach to call response documentation which may have an impact on bill processing. This action addresses the impact to EMS' bill processing.

The waiver of these fees results in estimated unrealized revenue for the Emergency Medical Services and Development Services Departments. Although budgeted revenue for fees is based upon historical data and not necessarily upon specific events, the waiver of these fees reduces potential revenues that could be realized.