**RESOLUTION NO. 2018-109**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AMENDING PART III: PART 10 OF THE NAPA COUNTY POLICY MANUAL REGARDING FEES TO PROPERTY OWNERS REBUILDING AFTER A NATURAL DISASTER**

**WHEREAS**, Napa County property owners, residents and businesses have sustained property damage and displacement resulting from natural disasters including earthquakes, winter storm flood events and most recently wildfires of unprecedented destruction;

**WHEREAS**, on May 8, 2018, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 2018-52 providing needed financial relief to residents who have been adversely affected by the 2017 Napa Fire Complex; and

**WHEREAS,** in order to fully assist all property owners and residents adversely affected by disasters in their rebuild efforts, the Planning, Building and Environmental Services Director recommends the amending the County Policy Manual Part III: Part 10, to reduce fees for building permits to replace or repair structures damaged in a disaster submitted after the Board of Supervisors has declared a Local Emergency.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Napa County Board of Supervisors as follows:

1. The Board hereby modifies Part IIII: Part 10 of the County Policy Manual attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein;

2. The Board hereby directs the Clerk of the Napa County Board of Supervisors to integrate the attached changes into Part III: Part 10 of the Board Policy Manual;

3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption

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**THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION WAS DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED** by the Napa County Board of Supervisors, State of California, at a regular meeting of the Board held on the 14th day of August, 2018, by the following vote:

AYES: SUPERVISORS PEDROZA, RAMOS, DILLON and GREGORY

NOES: SUPERVISORS NONE

ABSTAIN: SUPERVISORS NONE

ABSENT: SUPERVISORS WAGENKNECHT

NAPA COUNTY, a political subdivision of

the State of California

By:

RYAN GREGORY, Vice Chair of the

Board of Supervisors

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| APPROVED AS TO FORM  Office of County Counsel  By: *Laura J. Anderson (e-sign)*  Deputy County Counsel  Date: August 6, 2018 | APPROVED BY THE  NAPA COUNTY  BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  Date: August 14, 2018  Processed By:    Deputy Clerk of the Board | ATTEST: JOSE LUIS VALDEZ  Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  By: |

BOS Adopted 2-7-06

Revised 11-21-06; Resolution 06-199

Revised 5-12-09; Resolution 09-61 (eff 7-12-09)

Revised 4-27-10; Resolution 2010-43 (eff 6-27-10)

Revised 8-14-12; Resolution 2012-xx (eff 10-13-12)

Revised 10-2-12; Resolution 2012-123(eff 10-13-12)

Revised 02-05-2013; Resolution 2013-13 (eff 04-08-13)

Revised 05-08-18; Resolution 2018-52 (Eff 05-08-18)

**Revised 08-14-18; Resolution 2018-109 (Eff 08-14-18)**

**PART 10**

**GENERAL PROVISIONS**

Sec. 10.010. Imposition of Fees

Sec. 10.020. Waiver of Fees

Sec. 10.030. Processing Applications or Permits; Fees

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| Sec. 10.010. Imposition of Fees. | | | | | | |
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| Fees adopted by resolution of the Board of Supervisors shall be collected by the Department indicated and deposited with the Treasurer-Tax Collector of Napa County. The fees shall be credited to a revenue account of the Department that collected the fee unless otherwise indicated. The amount of the prescribed fee does not include the fee for any environmental impact assessment required in connection therewith. No part of any fee shall be refundable, unless otherwise indicated. Under no circumstances shall a refund be processed for an amount less than $15.00 or more than one year after fee payment. | | | | | | |
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| Sec. 10.020. Waiver of Fees. | | | | | | |
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| (a) | Unless otherwise specified, the County officer or employee responsible for collecting any fee established herein, or on appeal the County Executive Officer, may waive said fee if the following findings are made: | | | |  | |
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| (1) | The waiver of the fee will advance a public policy; and | | | |  | |
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| (2) | The waiver of the fee is in the public interest and will promote a public benefit; and | | | |  | |
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| (3) | The applicant is a non-profit organization; and | | | |  | |
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| (4) | The non-profit organization approved for a temporary event fee waiver or special event on roadways/road closure fee waiver has provided written assurance that a designated percentage of the proceeds of said event will be donated for the public benefit of the citizens of Napa County; and | | | |  | |
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| (5) | The fee is not for a building, public works, or other permit whose user fee has been established to recover the full cost of service, according to County policy with the exception of roadways/road closure permits. | | | |  | |
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| (b) | Each department shall keep and maintain records of the nature, number and dollar amount of fees waived by the various County departments, and shall quarterly submit copies of those records to the County Executive Officer. | | | |  | |
| (c) | The County Executive Officer shall prepare annual reports regarding the nature, number and dollar amount of fees waived by the various County departments and shall present those reports to the Board of Supervisors for review. | | | |  | |
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| (d) | The Planning, Building, and Environmental Services Director shall reduce fees in the following amounts for all building permits to replace or repair structures damaged in a disaster submitted after the Board of Supervisors has declared a Local Emergency:   1. Plan Review – Environmental Health Fee by 50%; and 2. Plan Review – Engineering Fee by 50%; and 3. Plan Review – Planning Fee by 50%; and 4. Plan Review – Standard by 50%; and 5. Imaging Plan Retention by 100%; and 6. Permit Issuance by 100%; and 7. Building Inspection by 25%; and 8. General Plan Surcharge by 100%.   To qualify for a fee reduction, the structure must meet all of the following criteria:   1. The original structure must have been legally established; and 2. The original structure must have been red- or yellow-tagged by the County as a structure damaged or destroyed in the 2017 Napa Fire Complex; and 3. The applicant must submit a complete building permit application to repair or replace the damaged or destroyed structure.   Only the initial replacement structure (defined as up to 125% of the pre-fire legally established livable space) shall qualify for a fee refund. Subsequent applications to modify, expand, or alter the initial replacement structure, after the replacement building permit has been issued shall not have their fees reduced under these provisions.  For those permit applications submitted prior to the adoption of this Policy, the PBES Director shall issue refunds to the payee consistent with the above fee reductions.  Fee reductions shall expire five years from the date of the declaration by the Board of Supervisors of a Local Emergency for each specific disaster. No permit applications submitted after the five-year deadline for the declaration shall be entitled to a fee reduction. | | | |  | |
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| (h) | The fees otherwise required to be paid by Section 80.020 (b) are waived in the case of applicants whose peddling or soliciting consists exclusively of the solicitation of orders to be filled solely by interstate shipment on behalf of business who do not maintain a place of interstate business and exemption shall be claimed yearly by filing by the application with the Director the following declaration, under penalty of perjury:  “I declare that my business activity under the Napa County Solicitors and Peddlers Law will consist exclusively of the solicitation of orders to be filled solely by interstate shipment from business who do not maintain a place of intrastate business in the State of California.”  Applicants who claim said exemption shall receive a permit restricted to the solicitation of orders to be filled solely by interstate shipment from businesses who do not maintain a place of intrastate business in the State of California. | | | |  | |
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| (i) | The fees required by Section 115.110 may be waived by the Director of Public Works if the animal and bite victim reside at the same residence. | | | |  | |
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| (j) | The Director or other Administrative Authority of the Environmental Health Division of Planning, Building and Environmental Services may waive up to 10% of the fees in Section 110.150 and 110.200 for facilities conducting a Department approved self-auditing program, such as the Green Business Program, which demonstrates reductions in Department expenses. | | | | |  |
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| (k) | (Reserved) | | | |  | |
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| (l) | Notwithstanding 10.020 (a) – (k) above, a non-profit organization approved for a Fee Waiver for a Temporary Event shall still pay a minimum processing fee of $116 per application, as well as any applicable late fees. | | | |  | |
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| Sec. 10.030. Processing Applications or Permits; Fees. | | | | | | |
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| If a fee is not established elsewhere in this booklet for the processing of an application or permit, the fee shall be as follows: | | | | | | |
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| (a) | Where publication or legal advertising is required | | | | $50.00 | |
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| (b) | Where publication or legal advertising is not required | | | | $20.00 | |
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