

## **FIRE DEPARTMENT FEES**

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**NOTE:** **COST RECOVERY FEES** see 30.040

**FALSE ALARM SUPPRESSION FEES** see 30.060

### I. FIRE HYDRANT USE PERMIT FEE

All persons desiring a permit for the use of a fire hydrant shall pay the fee set forth below:

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| A. One-time use of fire hydrant, not to exceed 30 days duration, or more than one location during term of permit                | \$48.00 |
| B. Annual permit to use fire hydrant(s), from 1 to 365 days use in one location at a time (12 month permit/calendar year basis) | \$99.50 |
| C. Firefighting agencies  | NO FEE  |

### II. USED FIRE HOSES

- A. The public may obtain surplus fire hoses by making requests to the Fire Chief. Requests will be considered on a first-come, first-served basis when a surplus of fire hoses becomes available. Any remaining unsold surplus fire hoses will be sold in the sale of surplus City property periodically conducted by the Finance Office.
- B. Fees for used fire hoses shall be based on a percentage of the cost of new hoses. Costs have been calculated at 25% of the current cost for hoses with no couplings and at 50% of the current cost for hoses with couplings.

### III. FIRE REPORTS

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| A. 1-2 pages   | \$8.00 |
| B. Each additional page  | \$0.55 |
| C. Persons employed by a governmental agency and in pursuit of their official duties shall be exempt from payment of Fire Report fees. |        |

IV. PHOTOGRAPHIC COPY FEE

- A. The actual cost for commercial processing, PLUS
- B. An administrative fee of: \$28.50
- C. Department personnel will review negatives/slides with person(s) requesting print(s) and arrange for commercial processing. Fee shall be paid in advance.
- D. Persons employed by a governmental agency and in pursuit of their official duties shall be exempt from payment of the administrative charge for photographic copies but must pay the processing charge.

V. AUTHORIZATION TO ANNUALLY ADJUST FEES

The City Manager is authorized to annually adjust the fees set forth above to reflect personnel compensation adjustments previously authorized and approved by the City Council without further City Council action (BP E.5.).

## UNIFORM FIRE CODE PERMIT FEES

AUTHORITY: Chapters 16.48 and 16.50 of the Chico Municipal Code; Budget Policy E.5.

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### I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- A. Fees set forth herein shall apply to those activities and operations set forth in Section 16.48.020 of the Chico Municipal Code.
- B. A Uniform Fire Code permit will be effective for one (1) year from the date of issuance and shall be renewed annually from the date an Application for Uniform Fire Code permit is filed with the Fire Department.

#### C. Inspection Fees

Pursuant to Chapter 16.50 of the Chico Municipal Code, the Fire Marshal shall determine if an inspection is necessary in order to conduct an activity or operation in a manner which complies with the fire regulation standards. The Fire Marshal may also conduct an inspection if he or she has reasonable cause to believe that any substance, material, device, equipment, or premise is being used in a manner which violates Chapter 16.48 of the Chico Municipal Code.

- 1. All inspection fees set forth herein shall be based on a one-hour minimum fee, unless otherwise noted.
  - 2. For work in excess of one hour, the fee shall be prorated for each half hour or portion thereof. (Example: For work which takes one hour and ten minutes, the fee would be 1½ times the hourly rate.)
- D. Activities and operations requiring more than one permit will be billed as set forth in II.A. below. Inspection time will also be required.
  - E. Payment is due and payable at the City's Finance Office within 30 days of the date of the invoice or payment shall be considered delinquent and subject to the collection measures set forth in Administrative Procedure and Policy No. 15-14.

II. UNIFORM FIRE CODE PERMIT FEES

Any person required to obtain Uniform Fire Code Permits and/or inspections shall pay the fees set forth below:

- A. Uniform Fire Code Permit for ongoing activities and operations
  - 1. Annual Permit \$76.50
  - 2. Each Additional Permit (same site & owner) \$48.00
  
- B. Inspection Fees
  - 1. Administrative Processing Fee \$76.50/inspection
  - 2. Inspection Fee \$63.00/hour
  
- C. Permits for occasional, specific activities and operations (not to exceed 30 consecutive days) - inspection fees are included with the price of the permit \$139.50/each

III. PLAN CHECK REVIEW, FIRE SPRINKLER REVIEW, AND/OR SUBDIVISION REVIEW FEES.

Any person required to obtain a Plan Check Review, Fire Sprinkler Review, and/or Subdivision Review inspection receives two inspections per permit. The additional fees below will be charged when Fire Department staff responds to more than two requests for inspection at a construction site to inspect the same work item.

- A. Administrative Processing Fee \$51.50/inspection
  
- B. Basic Inspection Fee \$74.00/hour
  
- C. Overtime Fee - When staff is requested by applicant to work overtime to complete plan checking, fire sprinkler review, and/or inspections (subject to prior approval and availability of staff). \$114.00/hour

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