

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-05

RESOLUTION OF THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION OF SOLANO COUNTY APPROVING THE AMENDMENTS TO THE LAFCO DEPOSITS, CHARGE OUT RATES, AND AGENCY FEES SCHEDULE

WHEREAS, CA Government Code Section 56383(a) authorizes the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) to establish a fee schedule; and,

WHEREAS, LAFCO last updated its Fee Schedule on May 1, 2023; and,

WHEREAS, LAFCO has scheduled and noticed a public hearing to consider amending its Fee Schedule; and,

WHEREAS, LAFCO met at a duly notice public meeting on June 10, 2024 to consider the amendments, oral and/or written testimony on the proposed amendments to the Fee Schedule were received and these comments were considered by LAFCO; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by LAFCO that the Fee Schedule amendment is hereby adopted and included as Exhibit A; and,

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Local Agency Formation Commission of Solano County at a regular meeting, held on the 10th day of June 2024, by the following vote:

AYES: *Kott, Vasquez, Shopay, Mashburn, Bird*

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:



Ron Kott, Chair
Local Agency Formation Commission
County of Solano, State of California

ATTEST:



Tova Guevara, Officer Administrator/Clerk

Exhibit A: 2024 LAFCO Deposits, Charge Out Rates, and Agency Fees

LAFCO DEPOSITS, CHARGE OUT RATES, and AGENCY FEES
Effective July 1, 2024

All deposits, miscellaneous costs, and other agency costs are initial payments toward the required payment for the total cost of processing a project including actual staff time plus materials. Staff charge-out rates are listed below. Materials include but are not limited to, charges for public notices of hearings, petition reviews, and fees charged for project reviews by affected agencies. Deposit amounts may be increased or reduced if the projected processing cost estimates are determined by the Executive Officer to greater or less than those stated above, based on an evaluation of project complexity and the magnitude of the project.

1. Deposits by Proposal Type:

TYPE OF PROPOSAL	DEPOSIT
Change of Organization /Reorganization*	Effective May 1, 2023
Agency Owned	\$2,000
0 – 5 acres and exempt from CEQA	\$3,000
0 – 5 acres	\$5,000
5.1 – 40 acres	\$10,000
40.1 -99 acres	\$15,000
100+ acres	\$30,000
Out-of-Agency Service Contract Requests	Based on acreage (same as above)
Out-of-Agency Fire Protection Services Contract	\$7,500
Out-of-Agency Service Contract Requests (Related to Public Health and Safety)	\$500
Government Reorg: District Formation, Consolidation, Dissolution or City Incorporation, Disincorporation*	\$7,500
Reconsideration of a LAFCO Determination	\$3,600
<u>Municipal Service Review</u>	
<u>In-House Staff (Project Specialist), outside of adopted Workplan Schedule</u>	<u>Scope and Contract</u>
<u>Staff Review of 3rd party Draft</u>	<u>Staff time and Materials</u>
Sphere of Influence Amendment/Update	
Minor amendment or update concurrent with reorganization or change of organization	\$1,500
Update upon agency request	\$32,800
Use of Latent Powers	\$1,500

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Environmental Document with LAFCO as Lead Agency	Contract Amount + LAFCO Staff Charge Out Rates
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~~Note: Deposit amounts may be increased or reduced if the projected processing cost estimates are determined by the Executive Officer to greater or less than those stated above, based on an evaluation of project complexity and the magnitude of the project.~~

All payments should be made to Solano LAFCO, and can be mailed to

Solano LAFCO
675 Texas St, Ste 6700
Fairfield, CA 94533

~~A) All deposits, miscellaneous costs, and other agency costs are initial payments toward the total cost of processing a project ("project cost"). Project cost is defined as staff time plus materials. Staff charge out rates are listed below and include personnel costs plus a percentage of LAFCO administrative overhead for long term planning costs, which facilitate changes of organizations. Materials include, but are not limited to, charges for the advertisement of hearings, petition reviews, as well as fees charged for project reviews by affected agencies.~~

BA)..... Pre-Application Expenses. In many cases, LAFCO is required to commence work on a project before an application is received. Such work includes working with the lead agency on environmental review and other processing issues. Applicants will be charged for this pre-application work as part of the LAFCO cost of processing the application.

GB) Applicants are also responsible for payment of appropriate State Board of Equalization fees, EIR preparation fees, Fish and Wildlife fees, and County Assessor/Recorder and Surveyor Fees. A schedule of processing fees for the State Board of Equalization is included in the LAFCO application packet .

DC) Staff time will be monitored against the deposit on file with LAFCO; if the cost of processing an application begins to exceed the deposited amount, additional deposits will be required. Any hearing on the application may be continued pending receipt of the additional deposit.

ED) ... If extensive staff assistance is required before receipt of an application, a deposit will be required when the work is requested.

FE) Absent compelling circumstances, the Commission will not normally adjust or waive fees. The proponent may request a fee waiver or reduction from the Commission. Any applicant who believes that a bill for expenses or request for additional deposit is unjustified may request the matter be reviewed by the Commission. Such a request must be made in writing within 30 days of the billing or notification of the request for an additional deposit. The matter will then be placed on the next available agenda. The billing or additional deposit must be timely paid under protest before any review will be held. If the billing or fee is not timely paid, LAFCO may suspend further processing of the application.

GE) The applicant must pay all final bills before the filing of the Certificate of Completion or during other times during the LAFCO process as deemed appropriate by the Executive Officer.

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HG)..... Charges for Reconsideration of a LAFCO determination are the responsibility of the requesting party.

2. LAFCO Staff Charge-Out Rates:

Executive Officer.....	\$200 <u>\$98.06</u>	Project Specialist.....	<u>\$72.02</u>
Deputy Executive Officer....	<u>\$78.46</u>	Office Administrator/Clerk....	<u>\$34.61</u>
Sr. Analyst..	\$158	Other Professional Services <u>and Materials</u> - At	Cost if Applicable
Analyst II.....	\$118 <u>\$49.32</u>		

3. Miscellaneous Costs

- A) Special Meetings\$5,000 Deposit toward Total Cost
The total cost includes: Commissioner per diem, noticing, and staff administrative time billed at the charge out rates above.
- B) Staff Research and Studies Project Cost
Charges for staff time begin after the first half-hour.
- C) Agenda Subscription \$20/year
(E-mailed agendas provided free of charge upon request.)
- D) Copies of Staff Reports & other documents @ 15 cents/page (first 10 pages free)

4. Other Agency Costs

- A) The State of California’s Board of Equalization charges a statement of boundary change fee. Applicants should contact LAFCO for the most current information. Payment is not required until such time that the Commission has approved the project.
- B) The Solano County Assessor’s office charges a mapping fee based on the number of Assessor Parcel Numbers involved. Applicants should contact LAFCO for the most current information on this fee. Payment is not required until such time that the Commission has approved the project.
- C) The Solano County Surveyor mapping and geographic description review fee is based on their most recent hourly charge-out rates. Applicants should contact LAFCO for the most current information on this fee.
- D) California Fish and Wildlife fees apply to all environmental documents under the California Environmental Quality Act. Receipts of payments made by the Lead Agency and/or payments required for the proposal must be provided to LAFCO at the time of application submission.

Approved by the Solano Local Agency Formation Commission: ~~April 10, 2023~~ June 10, 2024

Effective: ~~May 1, 2023~~ July 1, 2024