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Legislation Text

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TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Steven Lederer, Director of Public Works

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SUBJECT: Adoption of a Resolution Amending Fees at the Napa County Airport

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Public Works requests adoption of a Resolution amending the County's Policy Manual Part III, Fees, Part 30 Airport, effective July 1, 2022, increasing hangar and storage room fees by 3% for services provided by the Napa County Airport.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Adoption of the resolution will amend Part III, Fees, Part 30 Airport, within the County's Policy Manual by modifying those fees as shown by strike-out in Exhibit "A" of the resolution. The proposed increase to the hangar and storage room rates is tied to the June 2020 to June 2021 Annual Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical workers for San Francisco-Oakland-Hayward. The proposed adjustment will increase Airport revenues in Fiscal Year 2022-23 by approximately \$5,860.

FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? Yes Is it currently budgeted? Yes

Where is it budgeted? Airport Enterprise Fund

Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?

Discretionary

Discretionary Justification: The fee amendment will result in additional annual revenue of

approximately \$5,860 during fiscal year 2022-23. As utility maintenance costs continue to rise for hangars, doors, and gates, additional revenue is needed in order to continue with preventative

maintenance activities.

Is the general fund affected? No

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Future fiscal impact: Amending fees will assist the Airport in collecting an additional

\$5,860 per year until such time as the fees are amended again as

inflation continues to rise.

Consequences if not approved: If not approved, the Napa County Airport would not be able to

raise fees consistent with rising CPI, ultimately resulting in reduced ability to maintain the airport, including airport owned

hangars.

County Strategic Plan pillar addressed: Livable Economy for All

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Title 14, California Code of Regulations, section 15273 (a)(1) (Rates, Tolls, Fares, and Charges).

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

The Airport Enterprise Fund is financially self-sufficient, receiving no financial support from the County's General Fund. Staff is requesting an amendment to Napa County's Policy Manual, Part III: Fees, Part 30 Airport, in order to ensure the continued financial viability of the Airport Enterprise Fund. A summary of the requested amendment of Part III: Fees, Part 30 Airport, of the County of Napa Policy Manual, as outlined in Exhibit A of the attached resolution, is as follows:

• Increases Sec. 30.060 Hangar Rental Fees and Sec. 30.090 Airport Storage Room Fees. The 3% increase to monthly rates, rounded to the nearest whole dollar, based on the June 2020 to June 2021 Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, will apply to county owned hangars and storage rooms, along with privately owned portable hangars.

The proposed increase to the hangar and storage room rates using the Consumer Price Index will increase Airport revenues in Fiscal Year 2022-2023 by approximately \$5,860. There will be no increase to Shade Hangar fees, Landing Fees or Tiedown Rental Fees. The rates for the subject hangars at the Napa County Airport have traditionally been within range of other comparable airports with only CPI increases being applied for many years. Additionally, the methodology used to calculate the increase is consistent with the Airport's General Aviation Leasing/Rents and Fees Policy adopted by the Board. While the calculated CPI increase from June 2020 - June 2021 was 4.3%, staff is recommending an increase of only 3%.

Costs associated with utilities and the ongoing maintenance of the Airport's aging hangars continues to rise and periodic rent increases are needed to keep up with the rate of inflation. The proposed increase was included in the Fiscal Year 2022-23 budget presented to the Airport Advisory Commission on April 4, 2022 and the Commission recommended Board approval of the budget as drafted.

This item is specifically exempt from the voting requirements of Article XIIIC of the California Constitution because it is a charge imposed for entrance to or use of the County of Napa property or the purchase, rental or lease of County property. (Facility rental fees, room rental fees, equipment rental fees, on and off-street

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parking, tolls, franchise, park entrance, museum admission, tipping fees, golf green fees, et cetera.)