



# BUSINESS LICENSE FEES, EMS TAX AND EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS TAX

City Council  
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# Background on Fees

- Specific services (recreation programming, facilities rental, permits, etc.)
- Intended to recover costs of services provided
- Fee Study Currently Underway
  - *March 2021: Budget Task Force recommended update of fees*
  - *December 2022: Fee Study commenced*
- Business License, EMS, and 911 Fees
  - *Increased by CPI-W pursuant to San Leandro Municipal Code*

# Annual Adjustments

- San Leandro Municipal Code requires annual adjustment of:
  - *Business License Tax*
  - *Emergency Medical Services Tax*
  - *Emergency Communications System Access Tax*
- Adjustment is tied to Consumer Price Index (CPI)
- Proposed rates would be effective July 1, 2024

# Business License Fees

- Permits to allow entities to conduct business in San Leandro
- Fees are either a flat annual fee or a base and per unit fee
- Propose to increase by 2.6% to mirror CPI-W

# EMS Tax

- Supports providing emergency paramedic services in a timely manner
- Tax sets forth a benefit unit
  - *Number of units charged varies by property type*
- Propose to increase benefit unit by 2.6% to mirror CPI-W

# Emergency Communications Tax

- Supports provision of emergency call processing and dispatch (911 system)
- Tax is charged per line with differentiation by single access, trunk, and super trunk lines
- Propose to increase by 2.6% to mirror CPI-W

# Requested Action

- Hold public hearing
- Recommend increases to Business License Tax, EMS Tax, and Emergency Communications Tax



# QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS