

ORDINANCE NO. BL2004-298

An ordinance requiring the Department of Finance every three years to review all fees charged by the Metropolitan Government and to submit a report to the Metropolitan Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Chapter 5.04 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws shall be and the same is hereby amended by adding the following new Section 5.04.060:

"5.04.060 Review of fees charged by the metropolitan government—Submission of report to the metropolitan council.


A. Beginning January 31, 2005, and once every three years thereafter, the director of finance or his/her designee shall review all permit fees and other fees charged by the metropolitan government and its various departments and agencies and submit a report to the metropolitan council within ninety (90) days.

B. The report to the council required in subsection A. shall include, but not be limited to, the following information for each fee:

1. The current amount of the fee and the total amount generated annually by the fee;
2. The purpose of the fee;
3. Whether the fee covers the cost to the department or agency for providing the service;
4. A comparison of the fee to surrounding counties and cities of a similar size and population; and
5. Any recommendations for increases or adjustments to the fee."

SECTION 2. That this Ordinance shall take effect from and after its passage, the welfare of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County requiring it.

Sponsored by: Diane Neighbors, Chris Whitson, Jim Gotto, Eric Crafton

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY	
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By:	

RESOLUTION NO. RS2004-205

A resolution requesting the Department of Finance to provide information regarding all fees collected by the various departments and agencies of the Metropolitan Government.

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. BL2004-175 regarding the fee schedules for building permits, gas/mechanical permits, plumbing permits, electrical permits, and all other Codes fees is currently pending with the Metropolitan Council; and

WHEREAS, there are many other fees collected by the various departments and agencies of the Metropolitan Government; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Government is facing an estimated \$85 million budget gap for the next fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, in order to make an informed decision regarding fiscal matters of the Metropolitan Government, the Council desires to be informed as to all fees charged and collected by the Metropolitan Government.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY:

Section 1. That the Metropolitan County Council hereby goes on record as requesting the Department of Finance to provide information regarding all fees collected by the various departments and agencies of the Metropolitan Government. Such information should include but not be limited to: (1) the entity that sets the fee; (2) the amount of the fee; (3) the revenue generated by the fee; and (4) the history regarding the establishment of the fee and the date that the fee was last increased.

Section 2. The Metropolitan Clerk is directed to send a certified copy of this Resolution to David Manning, the Director of the Metropolitan Department of Finance.

Section 3. This Resolution shall take effect from and after its adoption, the welfare of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County requiring it.

Sponsored by: Charlie Tygard, Vivian Wilhoite

**Amendment No. 1
To
Resolution No. RS2004-205**

Mr. President:

I move to amend Resolution No. RS2004-205 by amending Section 1 thereof by adding the following provision at the end of the first sentence:

“ , including fines assessed and collected by the General Sessions Court.”

Sponsored by: Jim Shulman

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY	
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