

STAFF REPORT
City of Lancaster

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Date: January 13, 2009

To: Mayor Parris and City Council Members

From: James R. Williams, Director of Public Works

Subject: **California Building Standards Commission Green Building Fee**

Recommendation:

Adopt **Resolution No. 09-03**, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Lancaster, California, adopting the California Building Standards Commission Green Building Fee.

Fiscal Impact:

None. Section 18931.6(b) of the Health and Safety Code states that the city may retain not more than 10 percent of the fees collected for related administrative costs.

Background:

On September 30, 2008, Governor Schwarzenegger signed SB 1473 into law, taking effect on January 1, 2009. The bill provides for the creation of the Building Standards Administration Special Revolving Fund, which is established in the State Treasury. Moneys deposited in this fund will come from a surcharge on both residential and non-residential building permits.

The bill requires that cities and counties collect a fee from an applicant for a building permit, assessed at the rate of four dollars (\$4) per one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) in valuation. Cities and counties may retain 10 percent of these fees collected for administrative costs.

Once appropriated, moneys deposited in this fund will be available to the California Building Standards Commission, the Department of Housing and Community Development, and the Office of the State Fire Marshal for the purpose of developing green building standards as required in this bill.

State noticing requirements are not applicable as this fee is required by State law.

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Attachments:

Resolution No. 09-03
Building Standards Bulletin 08-01
Fee Reporting Form
Senate Bill No. 1473 CHAPTER 719