



City of Arts & Innovation

City Council Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL **DATE: JULY 16, 2019**
FROM: CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE **WARDS: ALL**
SUBJECT: PRESENTATION BY THE WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
ON THE RESULTS OF ITS FEE COMPARISON ANALYSIS

ISSUE:

Receive a presentation from the Western Riverside Council of Governments on the results of its recently completed fee comparison analysis.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Council receive and file this report.

BACKGROUND:

In 2016, the Western Riverside Council of Governments (WRCOG) conducted a study to analyze the fees required and collected by jurisdictions/agencies in and immediately adjacent to the WRCOG subregion. Based on the feedback provided and the requests made for data and presentations, WRCOG indicated the study would be updated on a consistent basis to enable jurisdictions to understand the impact of fees on development and the regional economy. WRCOG and its project team worked to update its original and published a final report in March 2019.

Generally, the analysis methodologies, assumptions, and jurisdictions analyzed are consistent with the original study. The fee comparison update process primarily involved contacting jurisdictions and special districts to understand if and how its development impact fees had changed since 2016. In some cases, jurisdictions indicated the need for adjustments to the original assumptions and methodologies, particularly concerning the calculation of water and sewer fees. As a result, the changes between 2016 and 2018 represent a combination of changes driven by fee schedule changes (actual changes in fee levels), as well as those driven by suggested refinements in other underlying assumptions.

To view the final report of the Fee Comparison Analysis, please visit <http://www.wrcog.cog.ca.us/AgendaCenter/ViewFile/Agenda/04012019-299>.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this report.

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