

OFFICE OF THE ASSESSOR-RECORDER

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Assessor-Recorder

March 2, 2010

Marin County Board of Supervisors
3501 Civic Center Drive
San Rafael, CA 94903

SUBJECT: Amend Assessor-Recorder Fee Schedule

Dear Supervisors:

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that your Board schedule a hearing on March 23, 2010 at 10:30 a.m. to consider adopting a resolution amending the first page recording fee for the Assessor-Recorder.

SUMMARY: Senate Bill 676, Chapter 606, October 11, 2009, revised Government Code 27361 (a) to say, "The fee for recording and indexing every instrument, paper, or notice required or permitted by law to be recorded shall not exceed \$10.00 for recording the first page and \$3.00 for each additional page, to reimburse the county for the costs of services rendered pursuant to this subdivision..." This bill became law January 1, 2010. Currently, the first page recording fee charged by the Recorder's Office is set at \$4.00, which has not been adjusted for more than 25 years. Based on a recent cost analysis prepared by the Assessor-Recorder's Office, it is recommended that the first page recording fee be increased by \$6.00, from \$4.00 to \$10.00, effective April 1, 2010.

FISCAL/STAFFING IMPACT: The annual estimated revenue generated from this amended fee is approximately \$480,000.

REVIEWED:	(X)	Department of Finance	()	N/A
	(X)	County Counsel	()	N/A
	()	Human Resources	(X)	N/A

Respectfully submitted,



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