



TITLE

First Responder Fee

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution approving the annual cost-of-living increase to the First Responder Fee for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 by the annual change in the Consumer Price Index of 2.5%.

CONTACT

Cliff Campbell, Acting Fire Chief

BACKGROUND & ANALYSIS

On November 5, 2019, the Board of Directors passed and adopted Ordinance 2019-02, establishing a First Responder Fee for Emergency Medical Services. California Health and Safety Code Sections 13146.2(b), 13217(b), 13862, 13869, 13871, 13874, 13916, and 17951, together with Chapter 8, Division 1, Title 7 of the California Government Code, authorize the District to adopt a First Responder Fee and to charge and collect a fee to defray the cost of providing District services.

Ordinance 2019-02 provides for an annual cost-of-living increase for the First Responder Fee. These fees may be increased in the future by District resolution consistent with applicable law, including but not limited to annual adjustments each July 1 based on the annual change in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) Urban Wage Earners, San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA region, measured as of February of each year.

Consistent with that determination, it is recommended that the First Responder Fee be increased by the cost-of-living adjustment of 2.5%. If approved, the Fire Responder Fee would increase by \$18.26, from \$730.30 to \$748.56.

FISCAL IMPACT

When the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index is applied, the Fee will increase from \$730.30 to \$748.56.

BOARD PRIORITY PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS

Public Safety: "Ensure American Canyon remains a safe community"

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

None

ATTACHMENTS:

1. [Resolution 2026-17 First Responder Fee](#)
2. [February 2026 CPI](#)