



County of Santa Cruz

GENERAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

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BOB WATSON, DIRECTOR

June 11, 2002

AGENDA: June 18, 2002

Board of Supervisors
County of Santa Cruz
701 Ocean Street
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

2002/2003 FIRE PROTECTION ASSESSMENT – CSA 4 & CSA 48

Dear Members of the Board:

On May 7, 2002, your Board set a public hearing for today's agenda to consider objections or protests on the 2002/2003 Fire Protection Assessment rates for CSA 4 & CSA 48 and, at the conclusion of the hearing, to approve a 2002/2003 rate report.

The assessments for fire protection services for both service areas were approved in June, 1997 by a majority vote of the property owners for fiscal year 1997/1998 and ongoing, and included a provision for future increases based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI). The assessment rate for these two service areas may be increased by the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index, All Urban Consumers, for the San Francisco/Oakland Metropolitan Areas, as published by the U.S. Department of Labor for the prior calendar year. Although the current CPI (February to February) is 1.8%, the annual average increase for this index for calendar year 2001 was 5.4%, which is the figure required to be used under the voter approved measure. The rates for 2002/2003 are based on proposed fire protection programs and budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

The proposed increased rate for CSA 48 (County Fire) will be \$52.57 per fire flow unit. The rate for CSA 4 (Pajaro Dunes Fire) will remain at the 2001/2002 rate of \$134.93 per fire flow unit. The engineer's report defining the number of fire flow units assigned to each property is on file with the Clerk of the Board for public review. Reports containing the Assessor's parcel number, the owner's name and the amount of the benefit assessment/service charge were made available for public review two weeks prior to the proposed June 18, 2002 public hearing. As in prior years, this rate report must be approved by your Board and forwarded to the Auditor-Controller by August 10, 2002.

It is therefore RECOMMENDED that your Board:

1. Open the public hearing and hear objections or protests, if any, to the proposed CSA 4 and CSA 48 2002/2003 Fire Protection rates;

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2. Close the public hearing; and
3. Adopt the attached resolutions establishing the CSA 4 and CSA 48 Fire Protection rates and Confirming Service Charge Reports.

Very truly yours,



BOB WATSON
Director

RECOMMENDED



SUSAN A. MAURIELLO
County Administrative Officer

cc: Kay Bowden, Pajaro Dunes Homeowners Association
Steve Wert, CDF
County Fire Department Advisory Committee
General Services Department
Office of Emergency Services

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

RESOLUTION NO. _____

On the motion of the Supervisor
duly seconded by the Supervisor
the following resolution is adopted

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING SERVICES CHARGES
FOR THE 2002/2003 FISCAL YEAR FOR
COUNTY SERVICE AREA **48** – COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION
COUNTY SERVICE AREA **4** – PAJARO DUNES

Be it resolved by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz as follows:

Section 1. Service charges for parcels within the County Service Area **48** - County Fire and County Service Area **4** – Pajaro Dunes for the 2002/2003 fiscal year are established as follows:

County Fire

CSA **48** **\$52.57** per fire protection unit (fire flow unit) per year

Pajaro Dunes

CSA **4** \$134.93 per fire protection unit (fire flow unit) per year

Section 2. Service Charge Exemptions: Service charges will not be levied on parcels in the following categories:

1. Parcels with an assessed value of \$2,000 or less.
2. Unbuildable parcels as determined by Planning and Environmental Health regulations. It is the obligation of the parcel owner to provide documentation to verify that a parcel is unbuildable.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect July 1, 2002

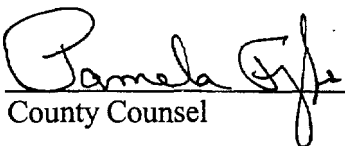
PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz,
State of California, this _____ day of _____, 2002 by the following
vote:

AYES:	SUPERVISOR
NOES:	SUPERVISOR
ABSENT:	SUPERVISOR

Chairperson of the Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: _____
Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



County Counsel

Distribution: County Administrative Officer
 County Counsel
 Auditor-Controller
 General Services Department
 County Fire Department

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OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

RESOLUTION NO. _____

On the motion of the Supervisor
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the following resolution is adopted

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING SERVICE CHARGE REPORTS
FOR FISCAL, YEAR 2002/2003
FOR COUNTY SERVICE AREA **48** - COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION
AND COUNTY SERVICE AREA **4** - PAJARO DUNES

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has held a duly noticed public hearing on the charge reports for service charges proposed within the County Service Areas Number **4** - Pajaro Dunes and Number **48** - County Fire for the 2002/2003 fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that no protests have been submitted or that all protests should be overruled; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the service charge reports should be confirmed as submitted/amended;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the service charge reports for County Service Areas Number **4** and Number **48** for the 2002/2003 fiscal year are hereby confirmed, and such service charges are authorized to be collected as provided in Ordinance Number **3406**;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the Clerk of this Board shall file a copy of this Resolution and Service Charge Reports with the County Auditor on or before August 10, 2002.

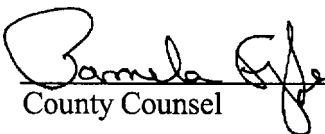
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