

**Department of Community and Economic Development
Planning Division
ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY/CODE INTERPRETATION**

**ADMINISTRATIVE
POLICY/CODE
INTERPRETATION #:** CI-94

**MUNICIPAL
CODE SECTIONS:** 2015-2016 City of Renton Fee Schedule

REFERENCE: RMC 5-1-2, 5-19-7A and 5-19-7B

SUBJECT: Application fee for franchises

BACKGROUND: RMC 5-19-7A provides "for the payment and recovery of all direct and indirect costs and expenses of the City related to the enforcement and administration of this Chapter". RMC 5-19-7.B.1 requires that any applicant pay a franchise fee per the Fee Schedule RMC 5-1-2. However, the City of Renton Fee Schedule does not list a fee for telecommunication franchise fees.

JUSTIFICATION: In seeking to recover the costs for enforcement and administration of RMC 5-19, the City of Renton needs to set a fixed fee for franchise applications. The City of Renton is setting the franchise fee at five-thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) in order to recover the minimal staff costs to process the franchise. At a later date, a detailed study will be performed that will more clearly document all costs directly or indirectly associated with application fees for franchise.

DECISION: Amend City of Renton Fee Schedule to implement a required Franchise Application Fee of five-thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) as specified below.

**ADMINISTRATOR
APPROVAL:** _____
C. E. "Chip" Vincent

EFFECTIVE DATE: _____

**APPEAL
PROCESS:**

To appeal this determination, a written appeal--accompanied by the required filing fee--must be filed with the City's Hearing Examiner (1055 South Grady Way, Renton, WA 98057, 425-430-6515) no more than 14 days from the date of this decision. Your submittal should explain the basis for the appeal. Section 4-8-110 of the Renton Municipal Code provides further information on the appeal process.

**CODE
AMENDMENTS
NEEDED TO
IMPLEMENT**

DETERMINATIONS:

2015-2016 City of Renton Fee Schedule			
Section XII. Development Fees			
2. Land Use Review Fees			
a. General Land Use Review			
(xxxi) Franchise Application Fee			
	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>
	-	-	<u>\$5,000.00</u>

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