



STAFF REPORT – CITY COUNCIL MEETING

June 12, 2024

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Emily Sinkhorn, Director of Environmental Services

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DATE: June 05, 2024

TITLE: **Adopt Resolution No. 234-60 Approving the Fiscal Year 2024/25 Annual Report on Stormwater Drainage Maintenance Fee for All Non-Tax Exempt Parcels and Directing That Said Fee be Collected through the Property Tax Rolls for Fiscal Year 2024/25.**

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Council adopt Resolution No. 234-60 approving the fiscal year 2024/25 Annual Report on Stormwater Drainage Maintenance Fee for all non-tax exempt parcels and directing that said fee be collected through the property tax rolls for fiscal year 2024/25.

INTRODUCTION:

In 1993, the City of Arcata implemented a Stormwater Management Program in order to comply with federal- and state-mandated requirements relating to the control of stormwater pollutants. The Stormwater Drainage Maintenance Fee was established in accordance with this action.

DISCUSSION:

In 1993, the City of Arcata implemented a Stormwater Management Program in order to comply with federal and state-mandated requirements relating to the control of stormwater pollutants.

As part of the Stormwater Management Program and as authorized by California Health and Safety Code § 5471, the City established a Stormwater Drainage Maintenance Fee which is assessed to all property owners to pay for the operation, maintenance, improvement, and replacement of City stormwater drainage facilities, to reduce stormwater pollution, to collect and convey runoff, and to protect public safety. In addition, section 5473 of the California Health and Safety Code allows an entity to elect to have such charges collected on the tax roll in the same manner and at the same time as its general taxes.

Staff have prepared the Fiscal Year 2024/25 Stormwater Drainage Maintenance Fee Report (the "Annual Report") for the imposition and collection of stormwater drainage maintenance fees which will be forwarded to the County Auditor-Controller to be included on the tax rolls for fiscal year 2024/25. In summary, this year's revenue is anticipated to be approximately, and not to exceed \$274,832.52, as follows:

Single Family Residential Parcels: \$ 105,232.78

Non-Single Family Residential Parcels: \$ 125,079.83

Property Tax-Exempt Parcels: \$ 44,519.91

The Stormwater Drainage Fee structure for single family residential parcels and non-single family residential parcels is the same as for last fiscal year without any CPI increase. The City is concurrently conducting a Stormwater Rate Study to ensure the sustainability of the City's Stormwater Drainage Fund and to plan for future projects to address stormwater and drainage needs throughout the City.

BUDGET IMPACT:

Adopting this resolution will result in the assessment of \$274,832.52 of Stormwater Drainage Maintenance Fees to be used to fund activities budgeted in Fund 666, Stormwater Drainage Fund, for fiscal year 2024/25.

ATTACHMENTS:

- A. FY24'25 Stormwater Annual Report_Final (PDF)
- B. Res No. 234-60 Stormwater Fee to County (PDF)