

Staff Report - Resolution 25-014

November 17, 2025 Council Regular Meeting

Resolution No. 25-014 Revising the City of Camas Fee Schedule for 2026

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Time Estimate: 5 minutes

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BACKGROUND: This item is to bring forth Resolution 25-014, authorizing Council to revise the City of Camas Fee Schedule for 2026. The fee increases of 1.2 percent for development fees and 3 percent for all other fees were previously presented to the Council at the City Council Workshop on October 20, 2025.

SUMMARY: The resources required to do an in-depth cost recovery analysis of City fees makes it prohibitive to do annually. As an alternative method for ensuring cost recovery between fee studies, the fee schedule is annually indexed to consumer price indices.

BENEFITS TO THE COMMUNITY: Annual CPI increases allow more manageable and predictable fee increases for customers, who may otherwise be burdened by larger increases that result from deferring the need to cover rising costs. Incrementing these small fee increases each year to pace inflation helps to stabilize the services provided, supporting the continuity of service to the community.

POTENTIAL CHALLENGES: Any increases to fees are a risk for burdening customers who may already be experiencing financial hardship, although keeping these increases to small percentages tied to inflationary indices helps to manage this risk.

STRATEGIC PLAN: This item supports the Strategic Plan Priority of Economic Prosperity, and more specifically, ensuring adequate cost recovery for City services.

BUDGET IMPACT: While fees are a significant portion of City revenue, the small percentage of the increase would be immaterial due to the corresponding increases to City expenses for providing the services.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends Council move to approve Resolution 25-014 increasing the 2026 Fee Schedule by the increases proposed.