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Topic/Subject Last year, fire inspection fees for multiunit properties were tripled without any public discussion, debate or prior notification. The basis for the new fees was a study done by NBS consultants in 2012. This study chose a regressive fee structure that subsidizes costs for large, multi-million-dollar corporations. This is a flawed study and unfairly burdens smaller property owners who are already struggling with depressed rental income and eviction moratoriums.

I have gotten no answers in response to repeated inquiries to my Councilmember's office so I wish to bring the matter to the attention of the City Council in hopes of avoiding legal action against the City for violation of California's Taxpayer Transparency and Fairness Act of 2017.

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