

**Cost Documentation for Proposed Fee**

<b>False Fire Alarm Fee</b>	<b>Current Fee</b>	<b>Proposed Fee</b>
False Fire Alarm Fee	\$-	\$ 126.00

**Justification**

Currently, the City has no fee imposed for False Fire Alarms. The Fire Department runs an average of 1,300 false fire alarm calls per year. Many of these false alarms are from the same addresses, which either do not fix their systems to prevent false alarms, or do not safeguard alarms from manually being set off.

First 3 False Fire Alarms will receive a warning with no fee.

Excess of 3 False Fire Alarms within a calendar year will be subject to the proposed fee for each occurrence.

The proposed fee is needed to cover the cost for suppression staff responding and fire truck usage required to respond to the call. The City does not currently have any method of recovering the costs associated with these non-emergency calls. The base hourly is currently the cost for Fire Department Equipment and Crew, suppression personnel and equipment standby listed in the Master Fee Schedule.

**Actual City Costs**

<b>Title</b>	<b>Base Hourly</b>	<b>Estimated Hours</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>
Fire Suppression Personnel	260.00	0.30	\$ 78.00
Fire Truck	160.00	0.30	\$ 48.00
		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 126.00</b>