

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: This is a great motion, that should be expanded upon. Any housing project that benefits from an incentive, tax deduction, structural plan amendments that result in a project not needing to pull certain permits, and any fee waivers- that comes requires approval, should have these amounts easily clearly stated and in a understandable uniform fasion for all. If a project is costing tax dollars, than the public should have ever right to know how and where. . Knowing not only how much the city is spending, is not collecting in taxes and fees would be very helpful for the council. This information could can be used to adjust or modify incentive programs, to make sure that we are getting more than we are loosing from housing projects throughout the city. I would hope that any developers listening also see the benefits of transparent project budgeting and understand that this motion is not a maximum disclosure but rather the base line and that addition information would be even better to understand how these huge totals come to be. I would even recommend that when doing a project that developers should specifically how much it is costing to comply with the most expensive regulations that are unrelated to building codes. There might be a way to modify a regulation so that its purpose could still be achieved while not driving up costs unreasonable, and I am sure the council would like to know which these might be as to find a balanced solution and help lower costs.