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SUBJECT: Resolution Establishing a Fee Schedule for the Office of the County Counsel

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Dear Board Members:

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RECOMMENDATION: Approve a Resolution establishing a fee schedule for the Office of the County Counsel

OVERVIEW:

We are requesting that your Board pass the attached Resolution establishing a revised fee schedule for the Office of the County Counsel. Fees are charged when our services are provided to independent districts and agencies that request professional legal services. Fees are not charged to any agency for which the Board of Supervisors is the governing board or ex-officio governing board of the agency.

DEPUTIES

Colleen McGrath
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
OFFICER

Consistent with your Board's direction to ensure that fees and charges keep pace with our cost of doing business, the attached fee Resolution proposes a 3% increase over the next two fiscal years. The FY 2020-21 fee will be \$241 per hour (prorated), and the FY 2021-22 fee, effective on July 1, 2021, will be \$248 per hour.


FISCAL IMPACT:

We estimate that the proposed fee increase would result in increased County Counsel revenues of approximately \$15,000 annually and have been incorporated into the FY 2020-21 Budget.

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Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,


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RESOLUTION NO.

**RESOLUTION OF THE MARIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
ESTABLISHING A FEE SCHEDULE FOR THE COUNTY COUNSEL'S OFFICE**

WHEREAS, the California Government Code gives the Board of Supervisors authority to set fees where appropriate based upon the actual cost of providing services; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the County Counsel provides legal services to independent districts and agencies that are entitled to request such services; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the County Counsel should continue charging an hourly rate or pro-rata portion thereof for legal professional services; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has determined that the Office of the County Counsel fees listed below are reasonable and necessary and equal the cost of providing the services; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the County Counsel's FY 2020-21 fee indicated below went into effect on July 1, 2020, and the FY 2021-22 fee is effective July 1, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marin does hereby adopt the following Office of the County Counsel fee schedule:

	<u>FY 2020-21</u>	<u>FY 2021-22</u>
County Counsel Hourly Rate*	\$241	\$248

*Fees shall not be charged to any agency for which the Board of Supervisors is the governing board or ex-officio governing board of the agency.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marin, State of California, held on the 13th day of October, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

PRESIDENT, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors