



May 5, 2022

**TO:** LOCSD Board of Directors

**FROM:** Ron Munds, General Manager

**SUBJECT: Agenda Item 7E – 5/5/2022 Board Meeting**  
Approve the Implementation of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) Increase to the Fire Special Tax for the Fiscal Year 2022/2023

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**DESCRIPTION**

Request approval of the proposed 5.36% increase, equivalent to \$1.00 per unit of benefit, to the Fire Special Tax for Fiscal Year 2022/2023.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

This item will be approved along with the Consent Calendar unless it is pulled by a Director for separate consideration. If so, Staff recommends that the Board adopt the following motion:

***Motion: I move that the Board approve the implementation of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) increase to the Fire Special Tax for Fiscal Year 2022/2023.***

**DISCUSSION**

The attached memorandum from Wallace Group Senior Project Analyst Lonnie Lepore dated April 22, 2022, outlines the calculation of the 5.36% proposed annual CPI increase for Fiscal Year 2022/2023, equivalent to \$1.00 per unit of benefit to the Fire Special Tax. The increase would bring the assessment to \$19.60 per unit of benefit.

The ability to increase the Fire Special Tax by the CPI was approved by the voters within the District.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

There is no direct cost increase to the District for implementation of the CPI increase.

Attachment

MEMORANDUM

**Date:** April 22, 2022  
**To:** Ron Munds, General Manager  
 Los Osos Community Services District  
**From:** Lonnie Lepore, Senior Project Analyst  
**Subject:** Calculation of Proposed Annual CPI Increase – FY 2022-23



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LOCSD Ordinance No. 2005-01, adopted February 22, 2005, imposed a special tax on every parcel within the District for the purpose of funding fire prevention and protection services. The Ordinance also authorized an annual adjustment to the rates after FY 2005/06 limited to the average of the percentage changes in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for all items in both San Francisco CMSA and Los Angeles CMSA.

The computation is based on a conservative approach using December 31 CPI data. This conservative approach has been consistently used for the last twelve years due to the unavailability of June 30 CIP data until a couple of months after the fiscal year closes.

The proposed increase would be 5.36%, equivalent to one dollar (\$1.00) per unit of benefit, to the Fire Special Tax. The increase would bring the assessment to \$19.60 per unit of benefit (FY 2021-22 approved amount was \$18.60 per unit of benefit). A residential single family dwelling is equivalent to five (5) units of benefit; multiple dwellings in a parcel except apartments and mobile homes are configured to be four (4) units of benefit per dwelling unit while apartments and mobile homes are configured to be three (3) units of benefit per dwelling unit. Therefore the annual increase from this CPI increase will range from \$3.00 to \$5.00 per household.

	United States	San Francisco CMSA	Los Angeles CMSA	<b>Average</b>
Average as of Dec. 31				
2020	260.474	302.948	279.56	291.254
2021	278.802	315.805	297.925	306.865
% Change	7.04%	4.24%	6.57%	<b>5.36%</b>

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