

City of Somerville, Massachusetts

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Agenda Summary

City Clerk submitting recommendations for adjustments to certain fees charged by the City Clerk's Office, effective July 1, 2023.

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To the Honorable City Council:

In this communication I present recommendations for adjustments to certain fees charged by the City Clerk's Office, effective July 1, 2023. The Clerk's Office collects fees for more than fifty types of licenses, records, and certificates. These fees generate over \$300,000 in revenue annually for the city.

These recommendations are consistent with the municipal costing principles used by this Office. We review the costs to the city of processing license and permit applications, and we try to adjust the fees to account for the effort involved.

Fees were last updated in FY 2016.

Records and Certificates	Current	Proposed	Impact
Notarizing Non-Municipal Documents	\$ 1.00	\$ 5.00	\$800.00
Record Search	\$ 5.00	\$ 10.00	\$250.00
Business Licenses			
Advertising Fee for Public Hearings	\$ 75.00	\$110.00	\$280.00
Total			\$1,330.00

I am available at your convenience to answer any questions you may have. I appreciate your consideration of this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly M. Wells City Clerk