



CITY OF SAINT PAUL
Melvin Carter, Mayor

DATE: November 20, 2019

TO: City of Saint Paul Mayor and City Council Members

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FROM: Ricardo Cervantes-Director of the Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI)

SUBJECT: 2020 Department of Safety and Inspections Fee Increase

In support of Mayor Carter's 2020 budget, the Department of Safety and Inspections seeks to increase all building permit, plan review and business licensing fees, as detailed in Chapter 33 and Chapter 310 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code (SPLC), by 2%. Animal Licensing fees in Chapter 310 are proposed to be further increased.

The fee increases are proposed to more accurately reflect the cost of providing licenses, permits and related services. The department continues to experience substantial growth in personnel costs such as health care and wages. In addition, General Fund pressures create the need to decrease the gap between Animal Control licensing fee revenue and programs expenses.

For additional questions please contact me at 651-266-9101 or Deputy Director Travis Bistodeau at 651-266-1922.