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Subject: APPROVAL OF THE REVISED JAPANESE GARDEN FEE SCHEDULE
(RECONSIDERATION)

As recommended in the accompanying report of the Director of the Bureau of Sanitation, which this Board has adopted, the Board of Public Works hereby transmits for your approval and reconsideration, the revised Filming Fee on the proposed Japanese Garden Fee Schedule, previously approved by the Board of Public Works on August 31, 2012.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no impact to the City's General Fund. The Japanese Garden Trust Fund No. 4422, Account 002 (MCB 5-15952) receives donations and fees for rentals for use in the Japanese Garden Program and uses the generated money.

Respectfully submitted,


Arleen P. Taylor, Executive Officer
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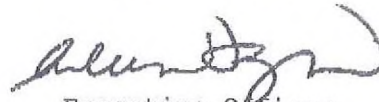


DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

BUREAU OF SANITATION
BOARD REPORT NO. 1
February 11, 2013

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD
PUBLIC WORKS OF THE CITY
of Los Angeles California
AND REFERRED TO THE CITY COUNCIL
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APPROVAL OF REVISED JAPANESE GARDEN FEE SCHEDULE
(RECONSIDERATION)

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt and forward to City Council this report with its transmittals with the following proposed revision:

1. Reconsider the proposed Filming Fee, previously approved by the Board on August 31, 2012 and sent back from Council.

TRANSMITTALS

1. Proposed Japanese Garden Fee changes (revised).

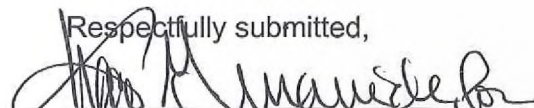
DISCUSSION

The Japanese Garden is located at the Donald C. Tillman Water Reclamation Plant. The Mayor's Office appointed a fifteen member Citizens Advisory Committee to provide public participation and guidance in establishing a program for use of the 6-1/2 acre Garden. Since 1985, the Mayor's Citizens Advisory Committee has been meeting monthly and has made recommendations for changes to our existing fee schedule to better augment costs and programs. The original fee schedule was established on March 25, 1987 with revisions in 1996 and 2003.

In joint cooperation between Sanitation management, City staff, and the Mayor's Citizens Advisory Committee, reconsideration to the Japanese Gardens' addition of Filming Use Fees is now recommended for approval by the Board of Public Works and forwarding to the City Council.

The proposed Filming Use Fee for filming in the Garden was \$2,000, where none had been charged in the past. At the Council meeting where the item was heard, a discussion took place amongst the Council members and Sanitation was then directed to re-evaluate the level of the proposed fee. After further consideration, the Filming Use Fee is now proposed at \$500. Student filming activities would continue to be free.

The Japanese Garden Trust Fund No. 4422, Account 002 (MCB 5-15952) receives donations and fees for rentals for use in the Japanese Garden Program and uses the generated money for activities such as Garden development, special events, total support of the Volunteer Docent program and other garden public related activities.

Respectfully submitted,

ENRIQUE C. ZALDIVAR, Director
Bureau of Sanitation

PROPOSED JAPANESE GARDEN FEE CHANGES
(Revised)

Name of Facility	Entry Fees	Wedding Only	Luncheon	Filming
The Japanese Garden*	\$3 (general/current)			
	\$5 (proposed)	\$750 (current)	\$800 (current)	\$2000 (proposed)
	\$2 (senior/current)	\$1,200 (proposed)	\$1200 (proposed)	revised to \$500
	\$3 (proposed)			

Local Rental Comparison Matrix

Orcutt Ranch*	\$0.00	\$1,994	\$1,994	\$560 + \$80/hr.
Sherman Gardens	\$3 (gen), \$1 (sen)	\$2,000	\$2,000	N/A
Natural History/Page Museum	\$12 (gen), \$5 (sen)	\$8,500	\$8,500	\$9,000
Arboretum of L.A. County	\$8 (gen), \$6 (sen)	\$1,000	\$26/person	N/A
Descanso Gardens	\$8 (gen), \$6 (sen)	\$3,600	\$4,100	\$6,000
Puddingstone Resort	\$10	\$900	\$1,800	N/A
Earl Miller Japanese Garden	\$0	\$2,400	\$150/hr + \$190	N/A
Friendship Auditorium*	\$0	\$1,925	\$1,925	\$1,925
Grace E Simons Lodge*	\$0	\$1,615	\$1,615	\$640

Notes:

1. Sites marked with * are City of Los Angeles owned facilities
2. Student Filming Activities are free.