

ORDINANCE NO. _____

An ordinance amending Section 19.144 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code to increase the fees related to application and approval of historical property contracts.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES
DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Section 19.144 of Chapter 14, Division 19 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

A. An owner of a Historic-Cultural Monument or Contributing Structure may file an application with the Department for approval of a Historical Property Contract. Each application shall be accompanied by a nonrefundable application fee according to the following schedule:

- (1) Single-family residential property: \$766
- (2) Multi-family, Commercial and Industrial property: \$1,341
- (3) Valuation Exemption: \$766

An application for approval of a Historical Property Contract must include a complete legal description of the property.

Upon receipt of an application on a form to be prescribed by the Department and upon the payment of the fees required by this section, eligibility of the property for a Historical Property Contract pursuant to this chapter shall be determined. Upon verification that the property is a Historic-Cultural Monument or a Contributing Structure, the Department shall calculate the amount of revenue loss to the City from real property tax savings. If the amount of lost revenue from the proposed Historical Property Contract will not cause the City's lost revenues from Historical Property Contracts in the aggregate to exceed \$2,000,000 annually, then the Department shall ascertain whether the property's current assessed valuation is \$1,500,000 or less for single-family dwellings, or \$3,000,000 or less for multi-family residential, commercial or industrial buildings, unless the property is located within the Downtown Historic Core, the Hollywood Historic District, or the Greater Los Angeles Downtown Area, in which case the dollar limitations relating to assessed valuation are inapplicable. If those respective valuations are exceeded and the property is located outside of the Downtown Historic Core, the Hollywood Historic District or the Greater Los Angeles Downtown Area, the Cultural Heritage Commission shall determine whether an exemption should be granted, pursuant to Section 19.142 of this Code.

If the property is determined ineligible for a Historical Property Contract by the Historical Property Contracts Manager pursuant to this section, the owner or the owner's agent may appeal the Staff Determination of Ineligibility to the Cultural Heritage

Commission. The appeal shall be filed on a form provided by the Department of City Planning. The fee for an appeal is \$1,532. The Cultural Heritage Commission shall make a determination of eligibility subsequent to the appeal.

If the property is determined eligible for a Historical Property Contract pursuant to this Section, the owner or the owner's agent shall prepare and submit to the Department a Historical Property Contract containing the required provisions as set forth in Section 19.143 and pay a Contract Execution Fee according to the following schedule:

(a) Single-family residential property: \$1.00 per every \$1,000 of assessed property valuation

(b) Multi-family, Commercial and Industrial property: \$1,866

The City's standard Historical Property Contract or the owner's version, as approved by the City Attorney, shall then be submitted by the Department to the City Council for its consideration. Historical Property Contracts are subject to City Council approval by majority vote of the entire City Council.

B. Fees for Mills Act Applications.

[FILING FEE]

Type of Application	Fee
Mills Act Contract Inspection For New Applications	\$1,654
Mills Act Application (Valuation Exemption) Contract Services Provider	\$1,500
Mills Act Inspection (every 5 years) City Administrative Fee	\$575
Mills Act Contract Inspection (every 5 years)	\$1,500
Technical Corrections to previously certified Historic Resource	\$2,490
Historic Resources Environmental Impact Review Report	\$192
Major Conforming Work on Contributing and Non-Contributing Elements	\$1,532
Modification of a Certificate Determination	\$1,916
Preliminary Evaluation of Demolition or Relocation without Permit	\$9,195

Sec. 2. The City clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance and have it published in accordance with Council policy, either in a daily newspaper circulated in the City of Los Angeles or by posting for ten days in three public places in the City of Los Angeles: one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to Los Angeles City Hall; one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to Los Angeles City Hall East; and one copy on the bulletin board located at the Temple Street entrance to the Los Angeles County Hall of Records.

I hereby certify this ordinance was passed by the Council of the City of Los Angeles, at its meeting of _____.

HOLLY L. WOLCOTT, City Clerk

By _____ Deputy

Approved _____

Mayor

Approved as to Form and Legality

MICHAEL N. FEUER, City Attorney

By 
K. LUCY ATWOOD
Deputy City Attorney

Date 7/17/2017

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