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Subject:

Testimony in support of Council Resolution No. 131-2018

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Date:

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Council Resolution No. 131-2018 proposes to amend the fee schedule for functions regulated by the Department of Inspections, Licenses and Permits. The Department's fees were initially passed by Council Resolution No. 57-2018. A change to the fee schedule adopted by CR 57 is proposed after it was found that there were inconsistencies in fees for the same type of residential electrical equipment on two different lines of the same document.

The schedule adopted by CR 57 states on page 15 of the Fee Schedule under "Residential elevator or generator; Each elevator/generator \$50". Three items below that line there is an entry that states: "Each Generator \$100".

To amend the fee schedule, Council Resolution No. 131 removes the line on page 15 of the Fee Schedule which states "Each Generator \$100".

To date (since July 1, 2018) no permits requesting the installation of generators has been processed by the Department. There are no fiscal impacts to this change.

Also, this Resolution proposes to correct the effective date of the fees. CR 57 states that fees took effect on July 1, 2017. Fees should have been effective on July 1, 2018."

Cc: Jennifer Sager, County Administration