Amendment 4 to Council Bill 38-2013

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(This amendment allows the Administration to set a hardship fee for certain property owners.)

1	On page 7, strike lines 23 through 28 in their entirety and substitute:
2 3	(C) Nonresidential properties.
4	(1) FOR NONRESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES, THE PAYMENT OF THE FEE IS A HARDSHIP IF IT EXCEEDS:
5	(I) THE PERCENTAGE OF THE PROPERTY'S TOTAL PROPERTY TAX BILL THAT IS SET IN
6	THE FEE SCHEDULE THAT THE COUNTY COUNCIL ADOPTS BY RESOLUTION; OR
7	(II) \$1,000 AND THE OWNER PROVES HARDSHIP TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE
8	ADMINISTRATION, BASED ON A REVIEW OF:
9	1. <u>A RECENT CERTIFIED FINANCIAL STATEMENT OR FILED TAX RETURN;</u>
10	2. OTHER INFORMATION REGARDING THE SEVERE ECONOMIC HARDSHIP THAT
11	THE PROPERTY OWNER IS SUSTAINING, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO INFORMATION FROM
12	LENDERS, LIEN HOLDERS, CREDITORS, ATTORNEYS, TAX COLLECTORS, OR OTHERS WITH
13	KNOWLEDGE ABOUT THE ECONOMIC CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY OWNER;
14	3. <u>ANY NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE ON THE PROPERTY; AND</u>
15	4. ANY OTHER EVIDENCE THAT THE PROPERTY OWNER HAS NO OTHER
16	REASONABLE MEANS OF RELIEVING THAT ECONOMIC HARDSHIP.
17	(2) If the fee is a hardship under:
18	(I) PARAGRAPH (1)(I) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE PROPERTY OWNER SHALL PAY AN
19	AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE TOTAL PROPERTY TAX BILL MULTIPLIED BY THE PERCENTAGE SET IN THE
20	FEE SCHEDULE; OR
21	(II) PARAGRAPH (1)(II) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE PROPERTY OWNER SHALL PAY \$1,000,
22	SUBJECT TO A PAYMENT PLAN ACCEPTABLE TO THE ADMINISTRATION.

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