

**CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION 98-068  
FEBRUARY 23, 1998 AGENDA**

**SUBJECT:**

**STREET CUT RESTORATION CHARGES**

**SUBMITTED BY:**

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**SYNOPSIS –**

On June 7, 1993, the City Council amended the ordinance relating to the restoration of street excavations by City crews. This amendment was completed at the request of area plumbing contractors to establish standardized amounts to be charged for street excavation repairs. In addition to standardizing the rates, the charges were increased to reflect actual cost of materials, equipment, and personnel required to complete restorations. The charges have not been increased since 1993 and a 10 percent increase in the rate is now recommended to more accurately reflect actual costs for restoration of the excavations.

**FISCAL IMPACT –**

The cost for restoration of excavations is billed directly to the contractor making the excavation.

**RECOMMENDATION –**

**Approve an increase in the rates charged for street excavation repairs.**

**BACKGROUND –**

To ensure the quality of street excavation restorations, the Public Works Department restores plumbing contractor excavations on paved streets. Actual costs associated with excavation restorations in the past were billed upon completion of the restoration. The amounts to be charged for street service restorations have been standardized based on the surface size, the depth of cut, and the type of street.

As shown on the table of charges attached to the roll call, new rates have been established for service cuts from 16 to 50 square feet in size and up to 10 feet in depth. Service cuts larger than

50 square feet or deeper than 10 feet will be calculated on an individual basis. If K-Crete (a special fill material) is needed in lieu of fill sand, an additional charge will be added.