

**City of Minneapolis**  
**Request for Committee Action**

**To:** Health, Environment & Community Engagement  
**Date:** 2/22/2016  
**Referral:** Community Development & Regulatory Services  
**From:** Health Department  
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**File type:** Ordinance  
**Subcategory:** Code Amendment

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**Subject:**

Restructuring annual pollution control billing fees ordinance (16-00108)

**Description:**

1. Continuing the public hearing until March 21, 2016, to consider the following ordinances amending the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances, restructuring the annual pollution control billing fees:

- 1.. Title 3 relating to Air Pollution and Environmental Protection:
  1. Chapter 46 Hazardous Waste Generation, Handling, Storage and Disposal.
  2. Chapter 47 Energy and Air Pollution.
  3. Chapter 48 Minneapolis Watershed Management Authority.
  4. Chapter 50 Minneapolis Waste Control and Waste Discharge Rules.
  5. Chapter 52 Erosion and Sediment Control and Drainage.
  6. Chapter 54 Storm Water Management.
2. Title 5, Chapter 91 relating to Building Code: Permit Fees.
3. Title 13, Chapter 261 relating to Licenses and Business Regulations: License Fees Generally.

2. Amending the License Fee Schedule.

**Previous Actions:**

This item was referred to the Minneapolis City Council on January 29, 2016.

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**Ward/Address:**

All Wards

**Background/Analysis:**

Amendments are under review by Minneapolis City Attorney's Office, a continuation of the public hearing until February 29, 2016, to allow additional time for review of ordinance language.

PCABs are a registration fee charged for equipment and operations that impact or have the potential to impact the environment in Minneapolis. The fees are being restructured to improve the equity of fees for services provided, promote pollution reduction technologies, identify pollutant risks, and incentivize

changes to outdated practices and elimination of hazards. The main changes to the PCAB fees are as follows:

1. **Equity of fees to service:** Most notably is the removal of a domestic waste discharge registration, second is fee exemption for the use pollution control technologies, and third is the implementation of fees for large air emission sources of VOC, PM2.5, NOx, SOx, CO and Pb.

2. **Promotion of Pollution Reduction:** Businesses that submit a voluntary emission reduction project will be temporarily exempt from the applicable emissions fee(s). Based on the amount of pollution reductions the exemption will be from 2-5 years.

3. **Pollutant Risks:** Registrations to identify and track potential risks to land and water resources are being updated and added such as registration of active water wells and unsealed wells.

4. **Outdated Business Practices:** Fees are proposed to create incentives for business to swap out the use of outdated materials, equipment and products such as using solvent based paints in auto shops and perchloroethylene at drycleaners. In addition, clarification of fee application for out of service chemical storage tanks and out of service water wells.

**Financial Review:**

**No additional appropriation required, amount included in current budget.**

**Future budget impact anticipated.**

These amendments will affect the amount of fees collected from the Pollution Control Annual Billings. Attachments changes will include the changes of PCABs to the Business License Fee Schedule and an estimated total of the changes in annual fees that are invoices based on 2016 registrations.