



# DEHQ Cost Recovery Proposal FY 2026-27

Food/Pool/Misc. Programs Stakeholder Outreach

March 2026

# Department of Environmental Health and Quality





# New Laws for 2026

- **AB 592 – Business: retail food**
  - Authorizes a restaurant to operate using open windows, folding doors, or nonfixed store fronts during hours of operation
  - Must develop and submit an Integrated Pest Management and Food Safety Risk Mitigation Plan for review and approval
  - Plan approval may be rescinded if facility is found operating with vermin present
- **AB 671 – Accelerated restaurant building plan approval: California Retail Food Code: tenant improvements**
  - Establishes a 10-business day turnaround time for project resubmittals
  - Only address items identified in correction notice from initial plan submittal
  - Does not apply to revisions/change of scope submittals
- **SB 68 – Major food allergens**
  - Adds sesame to the list of major food allergens.
  - Requires chain food facilities to provide written notification of the major food allergens
- **SB 635 – Food vendors and facilities: enforcement activities**
  - Prohibits investigating, interrogating or detaining sidewalk vendors or CMFOs for any reason other than what is prescribed in the Health and Safety Code.
  - Prevents sharing personal information with other agencies without a subpoena or judicial warrant and inquiring into an individual's immigration status.

# New Ordinance Updates for 2026

- **New/Updated Definitions:**
  - Resubmittal – New (result of AB 671)
  - Revision – Updated (result of AB 671)
  - Commercial Building (Host Facilities)
- **Language Updates:**
  - Warewashing sink requirements for host facilities (removed)
  - Hot water for wholesale warehouses (modified)

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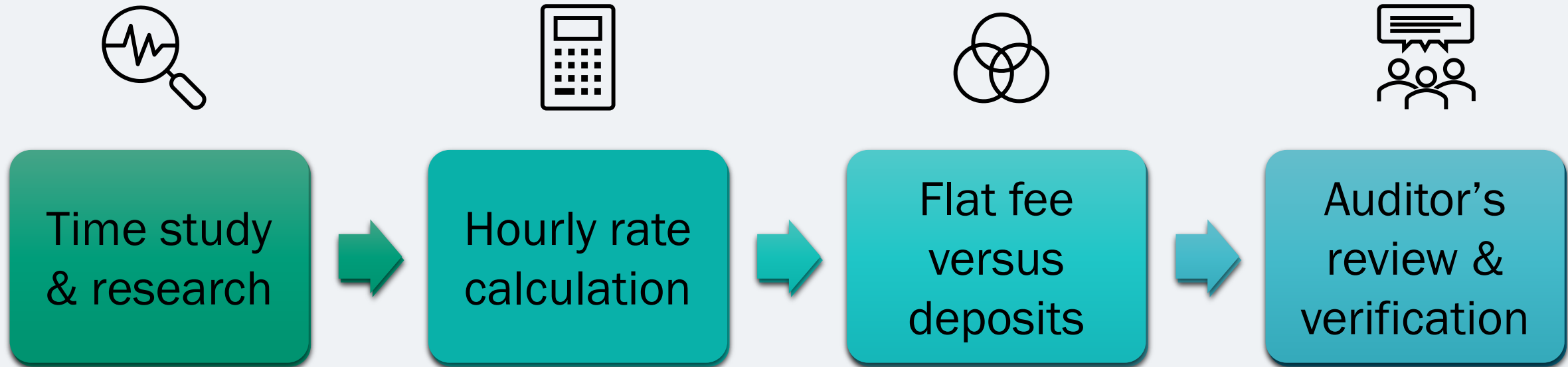
- **Fee Modifications:**

- Food Facility Resubmittal (New)
- Retail Food Processor - Shared Kitchen Operation
- Prepackaged Foods/Limited Beverage Service/**Sampling**
- Temporary Food Facility Event Organizer - MFF Vendors Only
- Integrated Pest Management and Food Safety Risk Mitigation Plan for Unenclosed Food Facilities (result of AB 592)
  
- Pool Facility Single Equipment Change Out (Plan Check)
  
- Misc. Facility Revision/Resubmittal (Plan Check)

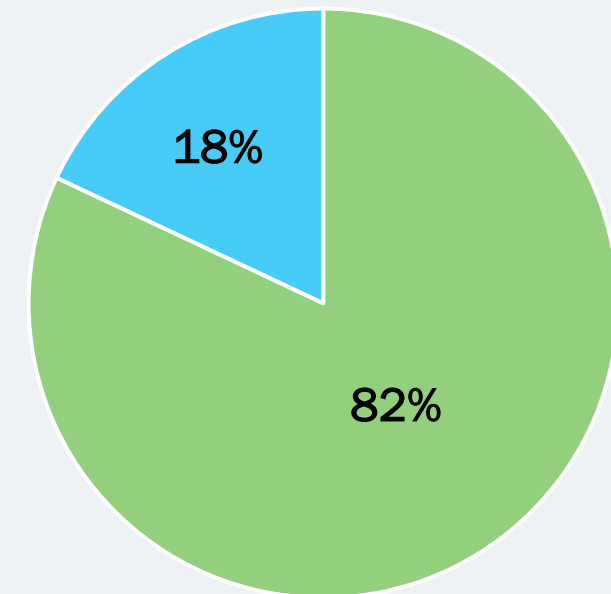
# Need for Proposal

- Compliance with Board Policy B-29
- Commitment to the Board and stakeholders to return yearly
- Salary & Benefits
- State and Federal Regulatory Changes
- Continue to deliver programs and services

# Fee Development Process



# Cost Composition



- Non-Discretionary Costs
- Discretionary Costs

## Non-Discretionary:

- Salary and Benefits
- Retirement Contribution
- Fees to other County departments
- Facilities

## Discretionary Costs:

- Services and Supplies
- Vehicles and Equipment
- Savings and innovation

FY 2026-27 costs require:

Food Program – 2.0% average fee increase

Pool Program – 2.8% average fee increase

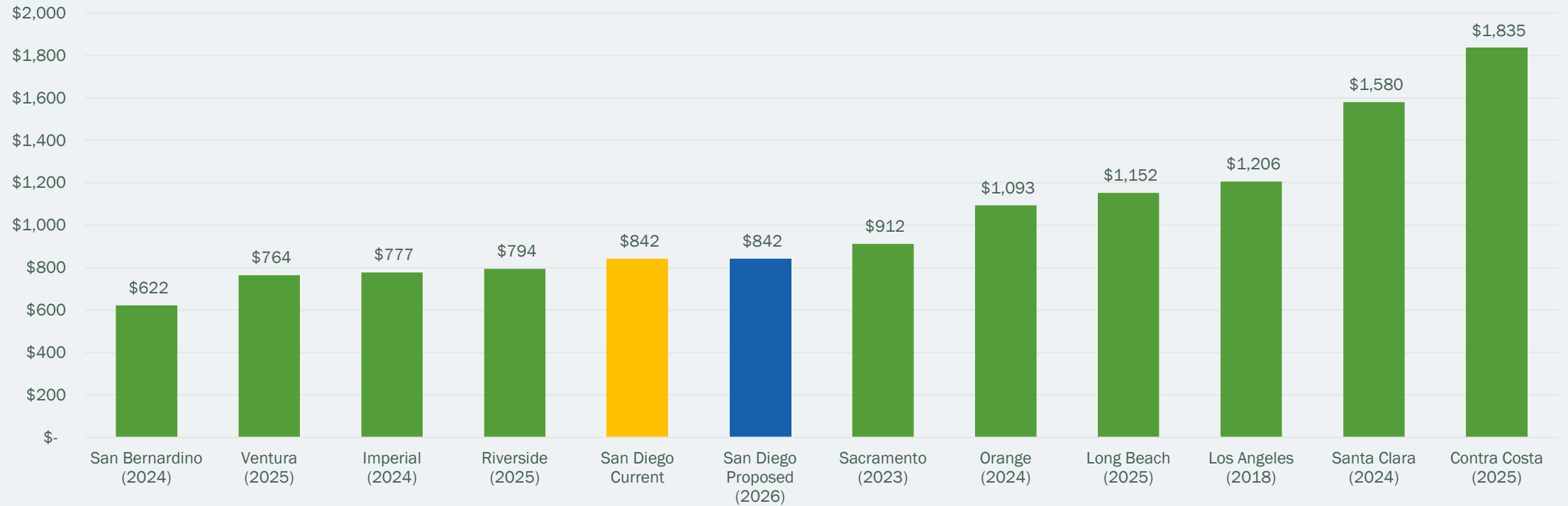
Misc. Program – 2.5% average fee increase

# Use of DEHQ Funds

- Reserve funds
  - Generated from operational cost savings
  - Restricted use
- \$ 314k one-time DEHQ funding offsets – Food Program
  - Avg Fee increase reduced to 0.1%
- \$ 14k one-time DEHQ funding offsets – Misc. Program
  - Avg Fee increase reduced to 0.5%

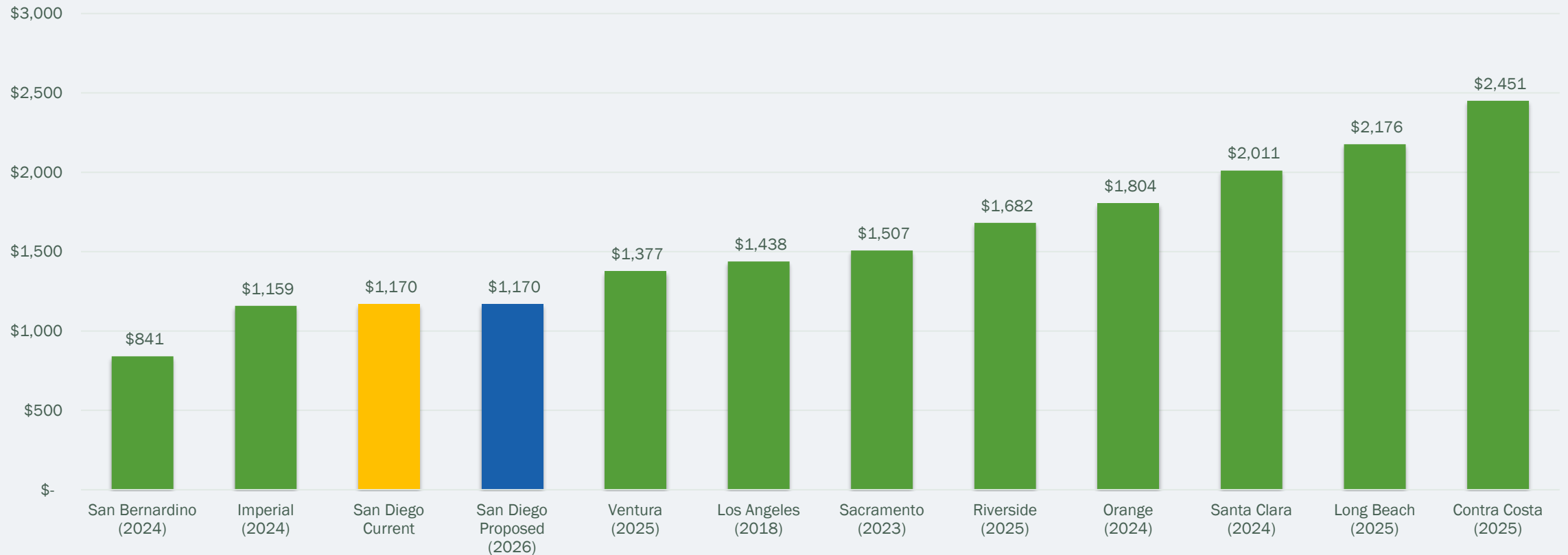
# Small Restaurant Fee

FEE NAME	CURRENT FEE	PROPOSED FEE	CHANGE	
			\$	%
Restaurants 1-10 Employees	\$842	\$842	\$0	0%



# Large Restaurant Fee

FEE NAME	CURRENT FEE	PROPOSED FEE	CHANGE	
			\$	%
Restaurants 26-100 Employees	\$1,170	\$1,170	\$0	0%



# Plan Check Permit Fees – 0-1,999 Sq. Ft

FEE NAME	CURRENT FEES	PROPOSED FEES	CHANGE	
			\$	%
Plan Check up to 1,999 sq. ft.	\$1,534	\$1,534	\$0	0%

Food Plan Check



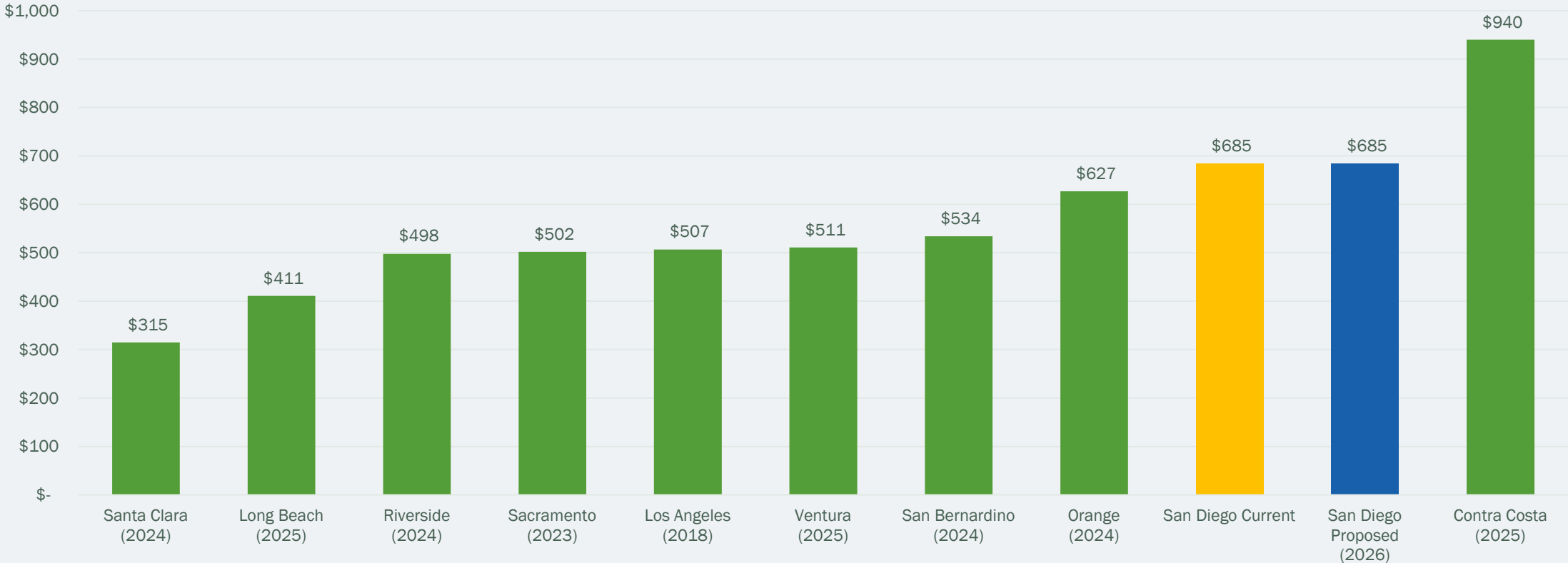
# TFF Annual Event Organizer

FEE NAME	CURRENT FEES	PROPOSED FEES	CHANGE	
			\$	%
Annual TFF Event Organizer	\$664	\$664	\$0	0%



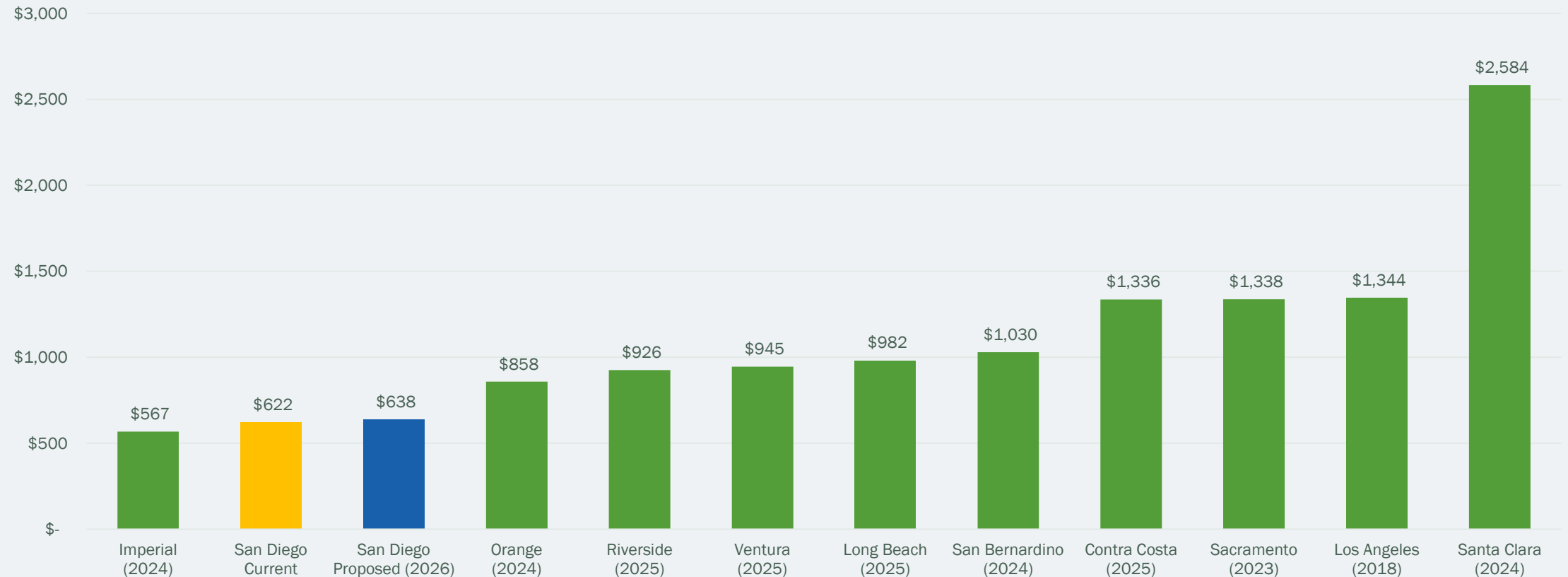
# TFF Annual Unpackaged Vendor

FEE NAME	CURRENT FEES	PROPOSED FEES	CHANGE	
			\$	%
Unpackaged Annual Vendor	\$685	\$685	\$0	0%



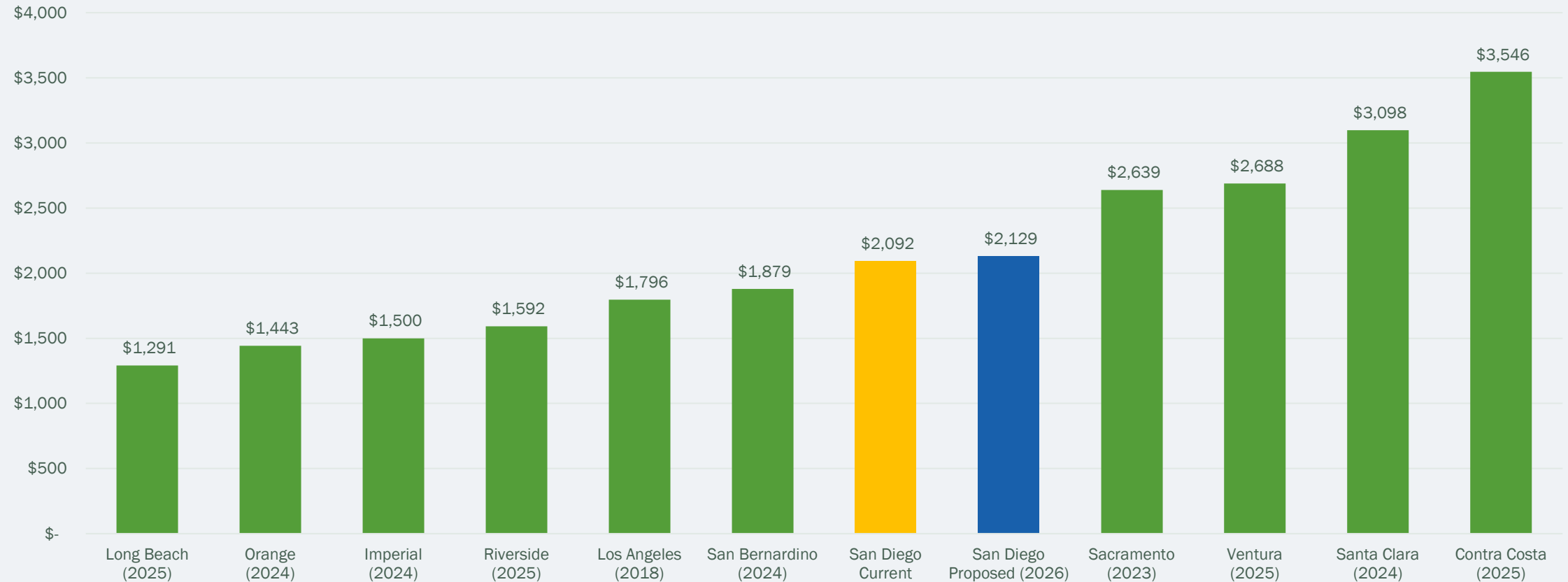
# Pool Facilities – 2 Bodies Of Water

FEE NAME	CURRENT FEE	PROPOSED FEE	CHANGE	
			\$	%
Two Bodies of Water	\$622	\$638	\$16	2.6%



# Pool Facilities – Plan Check (1 Bow)

FEE NAME	CURRENT FEE	PROPOSED FEE	CHANGE	
			\$	%
Plan Check – Single Body of Water	\$2,092	\$2,129	\$37	1.8%



# Body Art Facilities

FEE NAME	CURRENT FEE	PROPOSED FEE	CHANGE	
			\$	%
Body Art Facility	\$469	\$469	\$0	0%



# Next Steps

- Answer questions and hear all your feedback on our current programs.
- May 2026: Anticipated to present the Cost Recovery Proposal to the Board of Supervisors for their review.
- Approximately 2 weeks after the first reading: 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of Cost Recovery Proposal by the BOS
- On July 1, 2026: New fees to go into effect

Scan for website to access full fee list





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