

1. ACTION REQUESTED/PURPOSE:

Approve county fees as authorized Paragraph 4. c., of the "Contract Between Lee County Board of County Commissioners and State of Florida Department of Health for Operation of the Lee County Health Department Contract Year 2006-2007". Fees would be effective July 1, 2007.

2. WHAT ACTION ACCOMPLISHES:

County fees established in 1994 are updated to reflect the current cost of providing services; other fees will reimburse the Lee County Health Department (LCHD) for services it provides.

3. MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATION:

Recommend Approval

4. Departmental Category:

C5A

5. Meeting Date:

5/22/07

6. Agenda:

- Consent
- Administrative
- Appeals
- Public
- Walk-On

7. Requirement/Purpose: (specify)

- Statute
- Ordinance
- Admin. Code
- Other
- Laws of Florida 83-177

8. Request Initiated:

Commissioner N/A
Department Human Services
Division N/A
By: Karen B. Hawes, Director

9. Background:

In previous meetings with the county budget staff and Assistant County Manager, the LCHD was requested to look for ways to make its programs more self-sufficient, and that the fees charged would be fair compensation for services provided. The LCHD does not receive any appropriated State revenue for performing the service. The mutual goal of both the county and the health department is to establish a fee structure that acknowledges the cost LCHD incurs for the services it provides. Additional revenue generated will reduce the county contribution the LCHD receives for leased office and clinic space needed to operate until the Michigan Avenue site can be improved. The improvement of Michigan Avenue will reduce or eliminate the need to lease the additional space.

The LCHD medical clinic fees are automatically adjusted to at least the Medicaid fee schedule as addressed in Paragraph 4. c., of the contract between the Lee County Board of County Commissioners and the State of Florida Department of Health For Operation of the Lee County Health Department. Many of the medical services are reimbursed by Medicaid at the Cost Based Medicaid Rate established 1 July of each year by the Agenda for Health Care Administration.

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10. Review for Scheduling:

Department Director	Purchasing or Contracts	Human Resources	Other	County Attorney	Budget Services				County Manager/P.W. Director
					Analyst	Risk	Grants	Mgr.	
<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>11/10/07</i> <i>C5A</i>	<i>5/19/07</i>	<i>5/19/07</i>	<i>5/19/07</i>	<i>5/10/07</i>	<i>5-10-07</i>

11. Commission Action:

- Approved
- Deferred
- Denied
- Other

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The fee schedule review, therefore, centered on those fees charged in the following areas: Environmental Engineering, Environmental Health, and Vital Statistics (Birth and Death Certificates).

The Environmental Engineering Division of the Lee County Health Department reviewed the fees charged for services that are not set statewide by the Department of Health or the Department of Environmental Protection. The current County fee schedule was established in 1994. These outdated fees no longer cover the cost of providing the services. The new fee schedule attached is competitive with private industry in those areas where private industry may provide a similar service. The new fee schedule ensures that future revenues from users will cover the cost of services provided.

The Environmental Health Division increased fees to factor in the added cost of doing business throughout Lee County. This included a vehicle replacement plan, retention of a highly trained workforce to meet the timely needs of the business community and homeowners, and other costs to maintain the infrastructure of this vast operation.

The Vital Statistic Division increased fees to be comparable to the fees charged by surrounding counties and to add additional personnel to this office to meet the growing needs of the ever-increasing county population.

The target date for implementation of the new fee schedule is July 1, 2007. If the economy and home building industry recovers, the fee changes requested will allow the LCHD to reduce the county lease contribution in their 2008-2009 budget request by up to \$100,000.

Attachment: County Fee Proposal

Attachment II, Part II., Section 10. Fees Authorized By County Effective July 1, 2007

	Current State Fee	Current County Fee	July 1, 2007 County Fee	Total Fees	Fee Increase
Rabies Vaccine (Cost of Vaccine plus \$10 Administrative Fee)		Market plus \$10	Market plus \$10	Market plus \$10	None
Child Car Seat Program (fee waived on rare hardship cases)		\$20 per seat	\$20 per seat	\$20 per seat	None
Personal Health Fees (Medicaid and Medicare Rates)		Medicaid/Medicare	Medicaid/Medicare	Medicaid/Medicare	None
AIDS Co-Pays (total annual cost to client limited by law)		\$5-\$20	\$5-\$20	\$5-\$20	None
Client is responsible based on Federal Sliding Fee Scale 17%-100%					
No charge for clients on Medicaid/Medicare or in zero "A" Pay Class					
ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING					
POOL					
Exempt Pool	\$50.00		\$50.00	\$100.00	\$50.00
Construction Plan Review	\$350.00		\$100.00	\$450.00	\$100.00
Re-review of rejected pool plans (new 914's and plans)			\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Rough Plumbing			\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
Modification/Revision Plan Review	\$150.00/\$100.00		\$0.00/\$50.00	\$150/\$150	\$0.00/\$50.00
Modification/Construction final inspection			\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
All Reinspections		\$25.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$75.00
Inspection "Not ready fee"			\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
Late Fee for Operating Permit			\$25.00 per mo late	\$25.00 per mo late	\$25.00
Change of Ownership (only after the fact)			\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
Chemical Feeder Changes (SCHD mod. fee if permit req)			\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
Resurfacing			\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
WATER					
Bacti Sample - non Regulated, Inc. pools		\$10.00/\$15.00	\$15.00/\$15.00	\$15.00	\$5.00/\$0.00
Sample Collection - non Regulated, Inc. pools		\$15.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$10.00
Bacti Sample - Regulated		\$10.00/\$15.00	\$15.00/\$15.00	\$15.00	\$5.00/\$0.00
Sample Collection - Regulated (waived for SDWA)		\$15.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$25.00
Not Drinking Water Bacti Sample (inc. collection & fecal)		\$35.00	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$25.00
Repeat Main Clearances		\$40.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$15.00
FHA/VA Basic Analysis w/ treatment equipment		\$149.00	\$174.00	\$174.00	\$25.00
FHA/VA Basic Analysis w/o treatment equipment		\$134.00	\$159.00	\$159.00	\$25.00
Nitrate (LCHD increase all chems. \$5.00)		\$15.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$5.00
Nitrite		\$15.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$5.00
Lead		\$24.00	\$29.00	\$29.00	\$5.00
Chloride		\$10.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$5.00
Sample Collection "Not ready fee"		\$35.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$15.00
Water Sample Testing (Well Survey 20 samples) brought in		\$200.00	\$300.00	\$15.00 ea (\$300.00)	\$100.00
Water Sample Testing (Well Survey 20 samples) we pick up		\$400.00	\$800.00	\$40.00 ea (\$800.00)	\$400.00
Boat Access Fee (single sample/mulit samples)		\$35.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$65.00
Late Fee for LU permit renewal			\$25.00 per mo	\$25.00 per mo	\$25.00
Late Fee PWS mo/qtr/annual chem/bacti results - postmark after 15th			\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
PWS additional information on a plan review			\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
MISCELLANEOUS					
Mileage beyond county line		\$.35 per mile	\$0.50	\$0.50	\$0.15
"After the Fact" permit fee			200% of reg fee	200% of reg fee	200% of reg fee
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH					
ONSITE SEWAGE DISPOSAL PROGRAM (OSTDS)					
County Fee for new installations		\$140.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$60.00
Re-inspection	\$50.00		\$25.00	\$75.00	\$25.00
Aerobic Treatment Unit Operating Permit (biannual)	\$100.00		\$50.00	\$150.00	\$50.00
Aerobic Treatment Unit Maintenance Entity (annual)	\$25.00		\$25.00	\$50.00	\$25.00
Modification to System Application	\$50.00		\$50.00	\$100.00	\$50.00
New System Performance Based		\$140.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$60.00
Abandonment Permit	\$40.00		\$35.00	\$75.00	\$35.00
Existing System Approval	\$50.00		\$25.00	\$75.00	\$25.00
Boat Island Access Fee (per inspection)			\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
BIOMEDICAL WASTE GENERATORS					
Annual Permit	\$55.00		\$95.00	\$150.00	\$95.00
Late renewal Fee	\$20.00		\$30.00	\$50.00	\$30.00
Body Piercing					
Body Piercing Salon Permit (Annual)	\$150.00		\$50.00	\$200.00	\$50.00
Indoor Tanning Facility					
Indoor Tanning Facility Permit (Annual)	\$150.00		\$50.00	\$200.00	\$50.00
plus per tanning device >1	\$55.00		\$20.00	\$75.00	\$20.00
Food Establishments					
Annual Sanitation Certificate - Biannual Inspections	\$85.00		\$80.00	\$165.00	\$80.00
Annual Sanitation Certificate - Quarterly Inspections	\$160.00		\$160.00	\$320.00	\$160.00
Plan review	\$35.00		\$15.00	\$50.00	\$15.00
Mobile Home / RV Parks					
Annual Permit	\$3.50 per space		\$1.50	\$5.00 per space	\$1.50
Plan Review			\$50.00 per 100 spaces	\$50.00 per 100 spaces	\$50.00 per 100 spaces

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	Current State Fee	Current County Fee	July 1, 2007 County Fee	Total Fees	Fee Increase
VITAL STATISTICS					
Birth Certificate		\$10.00	\$12.00	\$12.00	\$2.00
Birth Certificate Additional copies		\$6.00	\$8.00	\$8.00	\$2.00
Death Certificate		\$9.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$1.00
Death Certificate Additional Copies		\$9.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$1.00
Vital Statistics Administration Fee		\$0.50	\$0.50	\$0.50	None
Should we elect to accept credit cards, a 2% processing fee will be added to all fees charged.					Updated 5/1/07