



Fire Department

Prevention

OFFICE OF THE FIRE MARSHAL

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Dear residential building owner/manager and to whom it may concern:

Re: New Apartment / Condominium Fire Inspection Program

In May 2019, the City approved the Chula Vista Fire Department’s multi-family residential complex (i.e., apartments, condominiums) inspection program. The inspections specifically apply to buildings containing three or more units. The State of California Health and Safety Code (HSC § 13146 and § 17921) requires local fire departments to annually inspect such properties. 2020 will be the first year the Fire Department will inspect these multi-family properties.

To offset the cost of the inspection, without impacting the current City General Fund, the City will charge a service fee to cover the cost of administering the inspection program. Such a service fee is authorized under Health and Safety Code § 13146.2(b/c). The new fees are as follows and will be billed as part of the annual business license process, which occurs in November of each year.

Chula Vista Residential Site Permit Fee	
Number of Units Per Residential Complex:	Complex Fees:
3 – 25 units	\$280
26 – 50 units	\$320
51 – 100 units	\$400
< 100, each additional group of 100 units	\$80

Prior to the residential site inspections commencing in January 2020, the Fire Department will publish a Residential Occupancy Inspection Program web page, brochure, and a self-inspection handout to help you prepare for the inspection (www.chulavistaca.gov/goto/FirePrevention).

Should you have any questions regarding this inspection program, please contact me at 619-691-5029.

We look forward to our partnership in increasing safety within your residential community.

Sincerely,

Justin Gipson
Fire Division Chief
Director of Fire Prevention Services