

# BUSINESS LICENSE TAX AND BENEFIT ZONE "B" CHARGE CALCULATION

To calculate the appropriate amount due, complete the calculation section below. The Benefit Zone your business is located within is indicated on the Application form, just above the red signature block, under the title "Type of Business".

To determine the range your business falls within, calculate the number of employees as the actual number of employees on the payroll, rather than the equivalent number of full time employees. The total number claimed shall include the owner(s) of the business. If a business has no employees, and is thus operated by the owner(s), the total number of owner(s) shall be claimed.

The number of employees (including the owner(s)) for the annual fee shall be determined by the number of employees on the payroll for the period ended September 30th of the preceding year for which the fee is due.

**Annual license taxes shall be due the first day of JANUARY of each year, and delinquent after JANUARY 31st.**

## POSTMARKS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

| <u>BUSINESS LICENSE FEE - ANNUAL</u>     | <u>BENEFIT ZONE B</u> | <u>CA LAW *SB-1186</u> | <u>INDICATE AMOUNT DUE ON LINE BELOW</u> |
|--|-----------------------|------------------------|--|
| 1-3 Employees, including owner is        | \$70.00               | + \$25.00              | + \$4.00 = \$ 99.00 _____                |
| 4-12 Employees, including owner is       | \$120.00              | + \$25.00              | + \$4.00 = \$149.00 _____                |
| 13-20 Employees, including owner is      | \$225.00              | + \$25.00              | + \$4.00 = \$254.00 _____                |
| 21-35 Employees, including owner is      | \$350.00              | + \$25.00              | + \$4.00 = \$379.00 _____                |
| 36-50 Employees, including owner is      | \$500.00              | + \$25.00              | + \$4.00 = \$529.00 _____                |
| 51-75 Employees, including owner is      | \$700.00              | + \$25.00              | + \$4.00 = \$729.00 _____                |
| 76-99 Employees, including owner is      | \$900.00              | + \$25.00              | + \$4.00 = \$929.00 _____                |
| 100+ Employees, including owner is       | \$1500.00             | + \$25.00              | + \$4.00 = \$1529.00 _____               |
| <b>TOTAL BUSINESS LICENSE CHARGE DUE</b> |                       |                        | <b>\$ _____</b>                          |

**WE CANNOT PROCESS YOUR LICENSE WITHOUT A SIGNED APPLICATION. PLEASE SIGN AND DATE APPLICATION ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THIS FORM AND RETURN WITH FEE.**

### Understanding the Business License and Benefit Zone Charges

The total cost of a business license consists of two parts, the **Business License Fee** and the **Benefit Zone Charge**.

The **Business License Fee** is calculated based on the number of employees and ranges between \$70.00 (1-3 employees) and \$1,500.00 (100+ employees). Business License Fees are treated as revenue to the City's General Fund and are used to support fundamental City operations including Administration, Police, Fire and Public Works.

There are two **Benefit Zone Charges**. Benefit Zone A encompasses the downtown area between Wykoff, Gold, Shepherd and Green Streets. The Benefit Zone A cost ranges between \$75.00 and \$300.00 depending on the number of employees. All other locations are considered to be in Benefit Zone B. The cost is \$25.00 for each business. Benefit Zone Charges finance specific business related activities such as downtown garbage pick-up, parking facility maintenance and acquisition, street sweeping and four annual special events sponsored to encourage patronage by local residents and tourists in the downtown area.

\*On October 11, 2017 Governor Brown signed into law AB-1379 which amends the SB-1186 which adds a state fee of \$4.00 on any applicant for a local business license or similar instrument or permit, or renewal thereof. The purpose is to increase disability access and compliance with construction-related accessibility requirements and to develop educational resources for businesses in order to facilitate compliance with federal and state disability laws, as specified.

Under federal and state law, compliance with disability access laws is a serious and significant responsibility that applies to all California building owners and tenants with buildings open to the public. You may obtain information about your legal obligations and how to comply with disability access laws at the following agencies:

- ~ The Division of the State Architect at [www.dgs.ca.gov/dsa/Home.aspx](http://www.dgs.ca.gov/dsa/Home.aspx) ~ The Department of Rehabilitation at [www.rehab.cahwnet.gov](http://www.rehab.cahwnet.gov)
- ~ The California Commission on Disability Access at [www.cccda.ca.gov](http://www.cccda.ca.gov) ~ Copy of SB1186 Mandate at <http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov>