

METROPOLITAN EXPOSITION-RECREATION COMMISSION

RESOLUTION 98-23

For the purpose of approving charges for the temporary installation of natural gas connection service to licensees and exhibitors of the Portland Metropolitan Exposition Center.

WHEREAS, NW Natural Gas Company has discontinued providing natural gas connection service to licensees and exhibitors requiring such service at the Portland Metropolitan Exposition Center;

WHEREAS, provision of this service is necessary and in the best interests of the Expo Center and its customers;

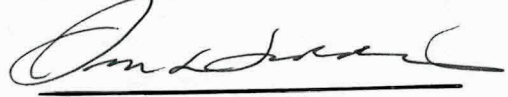
BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Metropolitan Exposition-Recreation Commission approves the following natural gas connection service charges:

<u>Gas Connections</u>	<u>Advance Order</u>	<u>Floor Order</u>
Initial service connection	\$139.00	\$175.00
Each additional service connection	\$ 65.00	\$ 80.00

Passed by the Commission on April 8, 1998.



Chair



Secretary-Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Daniel B. Cooper, General Counsel

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Senior Assistant Counsel

MERC STAFF REPORT

Agenda Item/Issue: Approval of charges for the temporary installation of natural gas connection services required by licensees and exhibitors of the Portland Metropolitan Exposition Center

Resolution No: 98-23

Date: April 8, 1998

Presented by: Chris Bailey

BACKGROUND:

On March 6, 1998, staff of the Expo Center were notified that NW Natural Gas would no longer provide natural gas connection service to licensees and exhibitors of the Expo Center that required such service. Historically, this service had been provided without charge to the requesting party.

The need for such service remains and staff of the Expo Center are proposing to meet this need with existing operational staff and to charge the requesting party for such service.

The purpose of this report, therefore, is to propose that the following charges be effective immediately for the temporary installation of natural gas connection service to licensees and exhibitors:

<u>Gas Connections</u>	<u>Advance Order</u>	<u>Floor Order</u>
Initial service connection	\$139.00	\$175.00
Each additional service connection	\$ 65.00	\$ 80.00

FISCAL IMPACT:

Start-up costs, which includes hose, valves and connectors, are estimated to be \$1500. Assuming 30 advance orders with 10 additional service connections per year, it is anticipated that gross revenues would approximate \$4,800.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Metropolitan Exposition-Recreation Commission approve the proposed charges for the temporary installation of natural gas connection service.