



AGENDA \_\_\_\_\_ September 9, 2025

August 14, 2025

Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County Administration Building  
1221 Oak Street, Suite 536  
Oakland, CA 94612-4305

**SUBJECT: ADOPT AN ORDINANCE MODIFYING THE CONCEALED CARRY WEAPON LICENSE  
FEE SCHEDULE FOR THE ALAMEDA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

Dear Board Members:

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Hold a public hearing and adopt the ordinance to modify the Concealed Carry Weapon (CCW) License Fee Schedule for related processing services provided to the County by Alameda County Sheriff's Office (ACSO), effective thirty (30) days after the date of the passage of the ordinance.

**DISCUSSION/SUMMARY:**

ACSO is a licensing authority for the purpose of Penal Code section 26190 that processes applications for new Concealed Carry Weapon (CCW) licenses and license renewals, issues license, enforces the licenses, and publishes related notices about the licenses. The Penal Code section 26190 (c) establishes that "these local fees may be increased to reflect increases in the licensing authority's reasonable costs".

Government Code Section 54985 and 54986 gives a county board of supervisors the authority to modify any fee or charge, otherwise authorized by law, to the amount reasonably necessary to recover the cost of providing any product or service. The current CCW License Fee Process Schedule needs modification to recover the costs of providing CCW license processing services to the County.

In 2022, the Supreme Court of the United States of America ruled in the New York State Rifle & Pistol Association vs. Bruen case that the New York State's law requiring CCW applicants to "prove a special need for self-protection distinguishable from the general community" was unconstitutional. New York proceeded to remove the requirement and California followed suit. This resulted in a surge in the number of CCW applications received. To keep up with the increase in demand, ACSO had to increase staffing and hours. The ACSO Finance Unit undertook a study to determine if a CCW fee increase was warranted. It was determined that the following fee increases were necessary to recover no more than the actual costs of processing:

- Initial License (Standard): Increase the current fee from \$193 to \$768
- Initial License (Judicial): Increase the current fee from \$217 to \$792
- Initial License (Reserve): Increase the current fee from \$239 to \$814
- Initial License (Employment): Increase the current fee from \$171 to \$746

- Renewal License (Standard – renewal required every 2 years): Increase current fee from \$77 to \$172
- Renewal License (Judicial – renewal required every 3 years): Increase the current fee from \$99 to \$194
- Renewal License (Reserve – renewal required every 4 years): Increase the current fee from \$121 to \$216
- Renewal License (Employment – renewal required every 90 days): Increase the current fee from \$55 to \$150
- License modification fee: Increase the current fee from \$10 to \$50

\*After September 1, 2026, per Penal Code 26185(b)(2), for each renewal notification submitted to the department, the licensing authority shall also submit to the Department of Justice (DOJ) fingerprint images and related information required by the department for each applicant applying for a renewal license.

By definition, these charges are not a 'tax' and are exempt from voter approval pursuant to California Constitution Code Article XIIC, section 1, paragraph (e)(1) [charge for specific benefit conferred] and (2) [charge for specific service provided] and (3) [charge for issuing license or performing inspection].

On July 24, 2025, this item was presented and heard by the Alameda County Public Protection Committee. It was their recommendation to present this item to the Board of Supervisors. The proposed increase to CCW license fees for related processing services is necessary to offset operational costs.

#### **FINANCING:**

No additional appropriation is required. The increased cost for CCW license fees for related processing services provided by ACSO will be offset with the additional revenue from the newly adopted fee schedule. There will be no increase in net County cost as a result of your approval.

#### **VISION 2036 GOAL:**

The adoption of the Concealed Carry Weapon License Fee Schedule for the Sheriff's Office meets the 10X goals pathways of a Crime Free County in support of our shared vision of Safe and Livable Communities.

Respectfully submitted,

Signed by:

  
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Yesenia Sanchez  
Sheriff-Coroner

**THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA,  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

**ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**AN UNCODIFIED ORDINANCE ADOPTING A CONCEALED CARRY WEAPON LICENSE  
FEE SCHEDULE FOR THE ALAMEDA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Alameda, State of California, ordains as follows:

**SECTION I**

The Board of Supervisors makes and adopts the following findings in support of this ordinance:

1. The Concealed Carry Weapon license fees collected on behalf of the California Department of Justice, pursuant to Penal Code section 26190 (b)(1), the “licensing authority of any city, city and county, or county shall charge an additional fee in an amount equal to the reasonable costs for processing the application for a new license or a license renewal, issuing license, and enforcing the license, including any required notices, excluding fingerprint and training costs”.
2. The Penal Code section 26190 (c) establishes that “these local fees may be increased to reflect increases in the licensing authority’s reasonable costs”.
3. The Alameda County Sheriff’s Office (ACSO) is a licensing authority for the purpose of Penal Code section 26190 that processes applications for new Concealed Carry Weapon (CCW) licenses and license renewals, issues licenses, enforces the licenses, and publishes related notices about the licenses.
4. Chapter 12.5. County Fees Sections 54985 and 54986 of the California Government Code. Section 54986(b) states: “Any action by a Board of Supervisors to levy a new fee or charge or to approve an increase in an existing fee or charge pursuant to Section 54985 shall be taken only by ordinance.”
5. In 2022, the Supreme Court ruled in the New York State Rifle & Pistol Association v. Bruen case that New York State’s law requiring CCW applicants to prove “a special need for self-protection distinguishable from the general community” was unconstitutional. New York removed the requirement and California followed suit. This resulted in a surge in the number of CCW applications received. To keep up with the increase in demand, ACSO had to increase staffing and hours. The ACSO Finance Unit undertook a study to determine if a CCW fee increase was warranted. It was determined that a fee increase was necessary to recover no more than the actual costs of processing. .

6. CCW Fee Increase Request FY 2025-2026

<b>Type of Permit</b>	<b>Current Fee (County + DOJ fees)</b>	<b>Proposed Fee (Includes Livescan Cost) (County + DOJ fees)</b>
Initial License (Standard)	\$193 (\$100 + \$93)	\$768 (\$675 + \$93)
Initial License (Judicial)	\$217 (\$100 + \$117)	\$792 (\$675 + \$117)
Initial License (Reserve)	\$239 (\$100 + \$139)	\$814 (\$675 + \$139)
Initial License (Employment)	\$171 (\$100 + \$71)	\$746 (\$675 + \$71)
Renewal License (Standard - Renewal Required Every 2 Years)	\$77 (\$25 + \$52)	\$172 (\$120 + \$52)
Renewal License (Judicial - Renewal Required Every 3 Years)	\$99 (\$25 + \$74)	\$194 (\$120 + \$74)
Renewal License (Reserve- Renewal Required Every 4 Years)	\$121 (\$25 + \$96)	\$216 (\$120 + \$96)
Renewal License (Employment - Renewal Required Every 90 days)	\$55 (\$25 + \$30)	\$150 (\$120 + \$30)
Modification	\$10	\$50

7. By definition, these charges are not a ‘tax’ and are exempt from voter approval pursuant to California Constitution Code Article XIIIIC, section 1, paragraph (e)(1)[charge for specific benefit conferred] and (2)[charge for specific service provided] and (3)[charge for issuing license or performing inspection].

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## **SECTION II**

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Alameda hereby approves and adopts the Proposed Concealed Carry Weapon License Fee Schedule as attached, entitled "Concealed Carry Weapon License - Fee Schedule", incorporated herein by this reference.

## **SECTION III**

This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty (30) days after the date of passage and before the expiration of fifteen (15) days after its passage it shall be published once with the names of the members of Board of Supervisors voting for and against the same in the newspaper published in the County of Alameda.

Adopted by majority vote of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Alameda, State of California on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025, by the following called vote:

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**EXCUSED:**

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**David Haubert**  
**PRESIDENT, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**County of Alameda, State of California**

**ATTEST:**

Clerk Board of Supervisors

By: \_\_\_\_\_

**Approved as to Form**

Donna R. Ziegler

County Counsel

Signed by:

*Clay Christianson*  
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Deputy County Counsel

## Concealed Carry Weapon License - Fee Schedule

CCW License – Initial				
License Fees	Standard (2 Years)	Judicial (3 Years)	Reserve (4 Years)	Employment (90 Days)
County Fees	\$675	\$675	\$675	\$675
DOJ – State	\$93	\$117	\$139	\$71
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$768</b>	<b>\$792</b>	<b>\$814</b>	<b>\$746</b>

CCW License – Renewal				
License Fees	Standard (2 Years)	Judicial (3 Years)	Reserve (4 Years)	Employment (90 Days)
County Fees	\$120	\$120	\$120	\$120
DOJ – State	\$52	\$74	\$96	\$30
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$172</b>	<b>\$194</b>	<b>\$216</b>	<b>\$150</b>

Other CCW Fees – Incurred by Applicant	
Fee Description	Amount
Psychological Evaluation <i>Paid to Psych Vendor</i>	\$400
Safety Course (16 hours) <i>Paid Range Vendor</i>	\$400
Range Qualification <i>Paid Range Vendor</i>	\$100
Additional Weapon (Max – 3) <i>Paid Range Vendor</i>	\$50
Modification Fee	\$50