

Kevin Lincoln Overview Backup

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Stockton’s Unsheltered Homeless Population Rose Nearly 175% From 2022 To 2024, While Lincoln Was Mayor

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2022-2024: Stockton’s Unsheltered Homeless Population Rose From 893 Individuals To 2,451 Individuals, A Change Of 174%. [Local News Matters, [6/20/22](#); Stockton Record, [8/9/24](#)]

2019-2024: Stockton Unsheltered Homeless Population		
Year	Unsheltered Homeless Count	Percent Change
2019	921	n/a
2022	893	-3%
2024	2,451	174%

[Local News Matters, [6/20/22](#); Stockton Record, [8/9/24](#)]



2020-2023: Youth Homelessness In Stockton Increased By 11%

Between 2020 And 2023, Youth Homelessness In Stockton Rose 11%. “There are more students who are experiencing homelessness now than there were in 2020. New state numbers show 16,000 more youth don't have a permanent address — the total statewide homeless student population is more than 187,000 [...] Elk Grove Unified had more than a 36% increase in homeless youth. Sacramento City Unified had nearly 30%. Stockton Unified had an 11% increase from 2020 to now.” [CBS Sacramento, [4/5/23](#)]

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STOCKTON POLICE DEPARTMENT CRIME COMPARISON

December 2021

Categories	Nov-21	Dec-21	% Change	This Year to Date
CRIMINAL HOMICIDE	4	3	-25.0	39
FORCIBLE RAPE	10	4	-60.0	107
ROBBERY	62	66	6.5	719
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	199	164	-17.6	2829
BURGLARY	118	116	-1.7	1486
LARCENY-THEFT	470	480	2.1	5319
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	133	113	-15.0	1416
ARSON	17	12	-29.4	201
<i>Violent Crime Total</i>	275	237	-13.8	3694
<i>Property Crime Total</i>	738	721	-2.3	8422
TOTAL	1013	958	-5.4	12116

2024: Stockton Recorded 8,898 Property Crimes. [Stockton Police Department, Crime Comparison, [12/31/24](#)]



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Categories	Nov-24	Dec-24	% Change	This Year to Date
CRIMINAL HOMICIDE	4	8	100.0	54
FORCIBLE RAPE	5	11	120.0	82
ROBBERY	79	75	-5.1	1075
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	195	194	-0.5	2469
BURGLARY	154	248	61.0	2022
LARCENY-THEFT	396	451	13.9	4739
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	126	157	24.6	1978
ARSON	9	17	88.9	159
<i>Violent Crime Total</i>	283	288	1.8	3680
<i>Property Crime Total</i>	685	873	27.4	8898
TOTAL	968	1161	19.9	12578

Property Crimes In Stockton Was Nearly 6% Higher In 2024 Than 2021. [Stockton Police Department, Crime Comparison, [12/31/21](#); Stockton Police Department, Crime Comparison, [12/31/24](#)]

2021-2024: Stockton Property Crimes	
Year	Homicides
2021	8,422
2024	8,898
Percent Change 2021 to 2024:	5.65%

[Stockton Police Department, Crime Comparison, [12/31/21](#); Stockton Police Department, Crime Comparison, [12/31/24](#)]

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Arena Upgrades And Office Renovations.” “Lincoln’s tenure as mayor drew criticism for rising crime rates, mismanagement of law enforcement, higher housing and utility costs, and city spending on arena upgrades and office renovations. He has also faced scrutiny for anti-choice positions and for celebrating the overturning of Roe v. Wade without clarifying his stance on abortion access for military service members.” [San Diego Voice & Viewpoint, [11/12/25](#)]

Stockton Recorded About 38% More Homicides In 2024 Than In 2021, Bucking A Statewide Trend Of Decreasing Homicides

2021: Stockton Recorded 39 Homicides. “Stockton has reached a grim milestone of 39 homicides, totaling the same number of homicides for all of 2021.” [ABC 10, [8/30/22](#)]

2022: Stockton Recorded 48 Homicides. “Five serial killings launched Stockton into national and international headlines last year. The other 43 homicides in the city in 2022 attracted less fanfare — though they may reveal more about the challenges it faces in keeping people safe. [...] While there were more homicides in 2022 than 2021 — which saw 39 killings — a better measure of gun violence might be nonfatal shootings, Black said.” [Stockton Record, [1/23/23](#)]

- **Stockton Record Headline: “Stockton Had 48 Homicides In 2022. What Happened?”** [Stockton Record, [1/23/23](#)]

2023: Stockton Recorded 45 Homicides. “Stockton saw a sharp increase in its number of homicides last year, finishing 2024 with a New Year’s Eve fatal shooting that contributed to the third-highest tally in the past decade. The city ended the year with 54 people dying at the hand of another person — almost always due to gun violence — compared to 45 in 2023. That’s a 20% increase, Stockton Police Department statistics show.” [Stocktonia, [1/3/25](#)]

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Homicides In Stockton Increased By More Than 38% From 2021 To 2024. [ABC 10, [8/30/22](#); Stockton Record, [1/23/23](#); Stocktonia, [1/3/25](#)]

2021-2024: Stockton Recorded Homicides	
Year	Homicides
2021	39
2022	48
2023	45
2024	54
Percent Change 2021 to 2024:	38.46%

[ABC 10, [8/30/22](#); Stockton Record, [1/23/23](#); Stocktonia, [1/3/25](#)]

California Department Of Justice: California Recorded 1,666 Homicides In 2024, Down From 2,361 Homicides In 2021. [California Department of Justice, Homicide in California, [2024](#)]

Table 1
VIOLENT CRIMES, 2015-2024
Number, Rate per 100,000 Population, and Percent Change

Year(s)	Total	Homicide	Rape ¹	Robbery	Aggravated assault
Number					
2024.....	188,146	1,666	13,874	46,141	126,465
2023.....	199,838	1,892	13,723	49,177	135,046
2022.....	193,019	2,206	14,346	47,669	128,798
2021 ^a	183,546	2,361	14,435	43,628	123,122
2020.....	173,864	2,202	13,439	44,684	113,539
2019.....	173,205	1,679	14,720	52,050	104,756
2018.....	176,866	1,739	15,500	54,312	105,315
2017.....	178,553	1,829	14,724	56,609	105,391
2016.....	174,701	1,930	13,695	54,769	104,307
2015.....	166,588	1,861	12,793	52,785	99,149

But Instead Of Hiring More Police Officers And Putting Public Safety First, Lincoln Diverted Taxpayer Dollars To Political Pet Projects, Including \$2 Million For A Sports Arena.

Under Lincoln’s Tenure As Mayor, Stockton’s Police Department Saw A “Critical Staffing Shortage” With Nearly 25% Of Officer Positions Left Vacant

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Stockton’s Mayor Sat On City Council As A Voting Member. “The current form of government is City Manager-Council. • City Council is the governing body for the City of Stockton. • City Council consists of seven members, six Councilmembers and the Mayor, each of whom have the right to vote on all matters coming before the Council. • The six Councilmembers are nominated and elected by the districts they represent; The Mayor is nominated and elected at-large.” [City of Stockton, City Council, [4/15/25](#)]

- **Stockton Had A City Manager-Council Form Of Government.** “The current form of government is City Manager-Council.” [City of Stockton, City Council, [4/15/25](#)]

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2023: Stockton Police Department Had A Shortage Of 121 Officers. “As Stockton holds the second annual Flavor Fest at Weber Point downtown, the city’s police association is noticing a difference to just how many officers are deployed to these community events due to staffing shortages. [...] There are currently 364 officers on the force, but the department is authorized for 485, according to the department.

The Stockton Police Officers Association point out a number of police units are understaffed and in need of more officers.” [ABC 10, [5/19/23](#)]

- **June 2023: The Department Had 364 Officers, Which Was 121 Fewer Than The 485 Budgeted For.** “The Stockton Police Department will no longer dispatch officers to many of the calls it receives reporting hit-and-runs, reckless driving, non-burglary property crimes and other non-emergency incidents, according to an internal department order obtained by The Record. [...] The decision to scale back call responses represents the latest effort by department leaders to triage the tidal wave of calls that come in from across Stockton each day, while working with a skeleton-crew staff, a memo from McFadden addressed to City Manager Harry Black, Mayor Kevin Lincoln and the city council shows. [...] As of June 27, the department had 364 officers — 121 fewer than the 485 officers it has budgeted for, according to the memo.” [Stockton Record, [7/12/23](#)]
- **The Deficit Of 120 Officers Accounted For Nearly 25% Of Stockton’s Police Department Staff.** “According to Patrick High, the president of the Stockton Police Officers Association, the position is now eliminated as the Stockton Police Department puts a band-aid on its patrol division to keep basic police response up and running amid a critical staffing shortage. [...] With a deficit of 120 officers or nearly 25% of the department's allotted staff, McFadden says his department's priority remains showing up when the community calls.” [ABC10, [3/22/23](#)]
- **Stockton Police Officers Association Patrick High Said Stockton Faced A Critical Staffing Shortage.** “According to Patrick High, the president of the Stockton Police Officers Association, the position is now eliminated as the Stockton Police Department puts a band-aid on its patrol division to keep basic police response up and running amid a critical staffing shortage.” [ABC 10, [3/22/23](#)]

2022: Stockton Police Department Had A Shortage Of “Over 100 Officers.” “At the same time, the Stockton Police Officers Association (SPOA) says there is a direct correlation between the rising crime and fewer uniformed officers on the streets. ‘With a shortage of over 100 officers, almost 20% of our staffing not here any longer and leaving more by the day, it's emboldened the criminal element because they don't see those uniform patrol officers on the street. They don't see as many police officers out there,’ said Patrick High, president of the SPOA.” [ABC 10, [8/16/22](#)]

Lincoln Used Taxpayer Money Primarily Intended To Hire More Police Officers To Pay For A Political Pet Project To Renovate City Hall, Leaving The Department Understaffed By At Least A Hundred Officers In 2023

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2022: Lincoln And Stockton City Council Unanimously Voted To Approve \$74.5 Million In Funding For City Hall Renovations, Primarily Using Measure A Funds

May 2022: Lincoln Voted To Approve An Appropriation Of \$12.6 Million In Funds And A \$42.3 Million Construction Contract For Renovations On Stockton's New City Hall. "1. Approving the plans and specifications for the New City Hall Renovations and Relocation, Project No. E016015. 2. Appropriating funds in the amount of \$12,600,000 from the General Fund Known Contingency Reserves to the New City Hall Renovations and Relocation, Project No. E016015 and authorize the transfer of fund from the General Fund to the General Capital Improvement Fund. 3. Awarding a Construction Contract in the amount of \$42,348,123 to Roebbelen Contracting, Inc., of El Dorado Hills, CA, for the New City Hall Renovations and Relocation, Project No. E016015. 4. Executing Amendment No. 5 to the Standard Agreement with Indigo, Hammond + Playle Architects, LLP to extend the termination date to December 31, 2024, and increase funding in the amount of \$600,000 for design construction support services for the Tenant Improvements to the Waterfront Towers for the Relocation of City Hall, Project No. E016015. Approving the City Manager take appropriate and necessary actions to carry out the purpose and intent of this resolution. Moved by: Daniel Wright, seconded by Susan Lenz. Vote: Motion carried 7-0. Yes: Paul Canepa, Christina Fugazi, Sol Jobrack, Susan Lenz, Kevin J Lincoln II, Kimberly Warmesley, and Daniel Wright." [Stockton City Council, Meeting Minutes, [5/3/22](#)]

- **2022: Stockton City Council Unanimously Voted To Approve \$74.5 Million In Funding For City Hall Renovations, An Increase From The \$25 Million Originally Budgeted.** "Stockton's new waterfront city hall will now cost taxpayers almost three times the initial estimate. What started as a roughly \$25 million project in 2017 has grown to a cost of \$74.5 million to renovate and relocate Waterfront Towers at the northwest corner of Weber Avenue and Lincoln Street to become Stockton's new City Hall. Stockton City Council voted unanimously to accept plans for the new City Hall and awarded a \$42.3 million construction bid to Roebbelen Contracting of El Dorado Hills — 11% more than what city engineers had estimated — and authorize the use of \$12.6 million from the general fund contingency reserves to help pay for the construction contract." [Stockton Record, [5/4/22](#)]

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- **Stockton Financed The New City Hall Using Primarily Measure A Funds.** "'The city used mostly Measure A funds for its new city hall. It seems the city is not proud of that use. There is no disclosure or discussion in the city's documents to show the use of Measure A funds for that purpose,' said Ned Leiba, a certified public accountant and city finance watchdog." [Stockton Record, [12/11/23](#)]

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2022: Lincoln Voted To Spend More Than \$1.5 Million In ARPA Funds On A New Scoreboard And Audiovisual System For The Stockton Sports Arena

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May 2022: Lincoln Voted To Appropriate \$1.5 Million In ARPA Funds To Support Improvements At The Stockton Arena. “Approve Motion 2022-05-24-1502: 1. Authorizing the appropriation of \$2.5 million in ARPA contingency funds: a) \$1.5 million to support the Uplift Downtown Initiative to support improvements at the Stockton Arena; b) \$500,000 to support continued traffic and safety improvement projects within the Miracle Mile District; and, c) \$500,000 to support unfunded, State-mandated, COVID-related sick leave. 2. Authorizing the City Manager to execute documents and contracts related to this recommendation in compliance with the City's emergency procurement policies; and, 3. Authorizing the City Manager to take appropriate and necessary action to carry out the purpose and intent of this action. [...] Vote: Motion carried 6-0 Yes: Paul Canepa, Christina Fugazi , Sol Jobrack, Susan Lenz, Kevin J Lincoln II, and Kimberly Warmsley. Absent: Daniel Wright.” [Stockton City Council, Meeting Minutes, [5/24/22](#)]

Stockton Record: Stockton City Council Unanimously Approved \$1.5 Million In American Rescue Plan Funds For The Stockton Arena Scoreboard And Video And Audio Technology. “At the May 24 Stockton City Council meeting, the council unanimously approved \$1.5 million from the city’s \$78 million American Rescue Plan Act pot to update the Stockton Arena’s 17-year-old scoreboard, video and audio technology.” [Stockton Record, [5/28/22](#)]

2024: Lincoln Voted To Spend \$65,000 In ARPA Funds To Complete The Arena Scoreboard Project

March 2024: Lincoln Voted To Allocate \$65,000 In American Rescue Plan Act Funds To Complete The Arena Scoreboard Project. “Approve Resolution 2024-03-12-1503 approving adjustments to the American Rescue Plan Act Programs and Projects: a. Allocating \$65,000 to complete work already in progress on the Arena Scoreboard Project b. Allocating \$300,000 to add an additional year of services to

the Non-Profit Capacity Building Program c. Allocating \$300,000 for the Essential Worker Premium Payment shortfall adjustment d. Allocating \$200,000 to support a co-location Data Center as part of the City's Disaster Readiness Plan e. Allocating \$1 million to complete the Emergency Generator Installation Project, adding six firehouse locations f. Allocating \$4.124 million to support the Stockton Animal Shelter Renovation Project revised budget estimate g. Allocating \$2,011,000 to the Revenue Loss Fund h. Allocating \$2,000,000 to the Council Contingency Fund i. Authorizing the City Manager to reallocate funds among approved ARPA projects to meet the obligation deadlines and close out completed projects. [...] Vote: Motion carried 7-0 Yes: Michael Blower, Brando Villapudua, Michele Padilla, Susan Lenz, Kevin J Lincoln II, Kimberly Warmesley, and Daniel Wright." [Stockton City Council, Meeting Minutes, [3/12/24](#)]

2024: Lincoln Voted To Spend \$2 Million In ARPA Funds To Upgrade Banner Island Ballpark

October 30, 2024: Stockton City Council Considered A Resolution That Made Final Adjustments To The American Rescue Plan Act Funding, Including Allocating \$2 Million To Support Banner Island Ballpark Upgrades. "Approve Resolution 2024-10-30-0301 approving the recommended final adjustments to the American Rescue Plan Act Programs and Projects: 1. Allocating \$2,000,000 to support Banner Island Ballpark upgrades; 2. Allocating \$2,558,000 to purchase and install four emergency generators for New City Hall; 3. Increasing the allocation for the Animal Shelter Facilities Upgrade project by \$462,072; and 4. Allocating \$500,000 to the Northeast Stockton Library and Community Center project. Authorizing the City Manager to take necessary and appropriate actions to carry out the purpose and intent of this resolution. Moved by: Michael Blower, seconded by Kimberly Warmesley." [Stockton City Council, Meeting Minutes, [10/30/24](#)]

October 30, 2024: Lincoln Voted For The Resolution That Made Final Adjustments To The ARPA Funding. STAFFER: "The plan would be so these are essentially you add these ARPA funds to these projects, right. The other funds, the ARPA will be spent first, so you still have contingency. It still equates to a contingency. It's just the color of the money." BLOWER: "But if we don't need the contingency because we're using the ARPA first, then we can use that?" STAFF: "Exactly. Then those dollars become freed up if they're not needed." BLOWER: "That's what I was hoping to hear." WARMSLEY: "We're just making sure." LINCOLN: "Okay, do we have a motion?" BLOWER: "So moved." WARMSLEY: "Second." LINCOLN: "Roll call vote please." CLERK: "Councilmember Blower?" BLOWER: "Yes." CLERK: "Councilmember Villapudua?" VILLAPUDUA: "Yes." CLERK: "Vice Mayor Warmesley?" WARMSLEY: "Yes." CLERK: "Mayor Lincoln?" LINCOLN: "Yes." CLERK: "The motion passes 4-0 with Councilmembers Padilla, Wright, and Lenz absent." [Stockton City Council, Special Session Stream, 21:17, [10/30/24](#)] (AUDIO)

NOTE: The vote described above was not recorded in the meeting minutes.

He Also Spent More Than \$75 Million On A New City Hall On The Waterfront, Including A New Office For Himself.

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The New City Hall Renovation And Relocation Project Included Interior Furnishings, Accessories, And Audio-Visual Systems. “The New City Hall Renovations and Relocation project site is located at 501 and 509 W. Weber Ave., at the northwest corner of Weber Ave. and Lincoln St. The project will renovate two five-story buildings (one building includes a basement) and includes both on- and off-site improvements. When completed, the majority of City Departments currently in various buildings will relocate into the renovated buildings. The buildings will be extensively renovated including complete interior tenant improvements and building services including: [...] interior metal wall framing, gypsum board, doors, and windows; interior finishes, accessories, and signage, fireproofing; modernization of the existing elevators; new and renovated lighting systems; [...] power systems, HVAC mechanical systems, and plumbing systems; security systems, audio-visual systems.” [City of Stockton, New City Hall, accessed [1/7/26](#)]

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Lincoln's Office Was In City Hall. [Stockton Mayor, accessed 6/12/24; City of Stockton, accessed 6/12/24]



City Hall

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NOTE: As of February 2026, the original links showing Lincoln's office in Stockton City Hall were broken.

Promotional Materials Showed What The New City Hall Would Look Like. [Stockton City Council, Meeting E-Packet, Pages 489-490, [5/3/22](#)]

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When Public Safety Should Have Come First, Kevin Lincoln Profited Personally And Politically, Instead.

2022: Lincoln Voted To Spend \$375,000 In Taxpayer Funds For A Marketing Company To Develop A Brand Strategy For The City Of Stockton

2022: Lincoln Voted To Execute A \$375,000 Contract With JP Marketing To Do A Marketing Campaign And Develop A Brand Strategy For The City Of Stockton. “Approve Motion 2022-10-18-1501: 1. Approving and authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to execute a contract with the JP Marketing in an amount up to \$375,000 for the purpose of executing a marketing campaign and develop a brand strategy 2. Approving findings pursuant to Stockton Municipal Code section 3.68.070 in support of an exception to the competitive bidding process 3. Authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to take appropriate and necessary actions to carry out the purpose and intent of this motion. Moved by: Susan Lenz, seconded by Paul Canepa. Vote: Motion carried 7-0 Yes: Paul Canepa, Christina Fugazi , Sol

Jobrack, Susan Lenz, Kevin J Lincoln II, Kimberly Warmesley, and Daniel Wright.” [Stockton City Council, Meeting Minutes, [10/18/22](#)]

JP Marketing Scope Of Work Document: “The Objective Is To Rebrand The City Of Stockton And Elevate Brand Perception.” “1. Project Objectives 1.1 The objective is to rebrand the City of Stockton and elevate brand perception.” [Stockton City Council, JP Marketing Scope of Work Attachment A, [10/18/22](#)]

JP Marketing Promised To Audit Stockton’s Existing Digital Footprint, Develop Foundational Messaging, And Explore Logo Options. “2. Project Scope The Contractor will provide the following: a. Creation of foundational messaging development that will shape the brand design concepts and marketing strategy document. b. Conduct a 360’ view of research to inform audience segmentation and brand messaging for multiple stakeholder audiences. c. Utilizing the approved brand strategy document and market research, a complete exploration of brand mark (logo) options will be conducted. d. Creation of the extension of the brand strategy into marketing messages appropriate for multi-media platforms and city communication channels. e. The audit of the city’s existing digital footprint across all online directories and search engines. f. The creative production component to create all the assets necessary to support the brand strategy, marketing campaign, paid search, and media plan, with an additional emphasis on video storytelling. g. Research, planning, negotiating, and buying of appropriate multi-media platforms per the Marketing Campaign plan. h. All-inclusive for project communication and management for the duration of the scope of work.” [Stockton City Council, JP Marketing Scope of Work Attachment A, [10/18/22](#)]

2022-2023: Lincoln Used Tax Dollars To Fund Stays At Lavish Beach Resorts And Four- And Five- Star Hotels

Lincoln Spent More Than \$13,000 In Taxpayer Funds To Stay At Hotels

Lincoln Spent More Than \$13,000 In Taxpayer Funds To Stay At Hotel Del Coronado, Grand Hyatt At SFO, Graziadio CE, Hilton Capital Coho, Hyatt Place, Peppermill Hotel, And Other Hotels. [City of Stockton, Reimbursements to Mayor Lincoln, received 1/21/26]

2022-2023: Lincoln’s Taxpayer-Funded Hotel Stays				
Business	Staff	Description	Reference Date	Amount
Hyatt Regency Washington on Capitol Hill	Kevin Lincoln II	Hotel Stay	5/10/24	\$2,023.35
Hotel del Coronado	Kevin Lincoln II	Deposit	11/20/23	\$524.34
Grand Hyatt at SFO	Kevin Lincoln II	SFO Hotel	6/22/23	\$442.28
Hilton Capital Coho	Kevin Lincoln II	Hotel Charges	5/31/23	\$1,127.89
Hilton Washington DC Capitol Hill	Kevin Lincoln II	Hotel Stay	5/11/23	\$1,711.44
Capital Hilton	Kevin Lincoln II	Hotel Stay	1/20/23	\$770.17
Hyatt Place	Kevin Lincoln II	Hotel Stay	12/31/22	\$189.62

Hyatt Regency Long Beach	Kevin Lincoln II	Hotel Stay	9/9/22	\$833.16
Graziadio CE	Kevin Lincoln II	Hotel Charges	6/15/22	\$934.60
Peppermill Adv Deposit	Kevin Lincoln II	Hotel Charges	6/15/22	\$934.60
Stovall's Inn	Kevin Lincoln II	Hotel Stay	6/7/22	\$533.34
Hilton Washington DC Capitol Hill	Kevin Lincoln II	Hotel Stay	5/13/22	\$2,407.08
Sheraton Grand Sacramento	Kevin Lincoln II	Hotel Stay	9/24/21	\$697.80
Total:				\$13,129.67

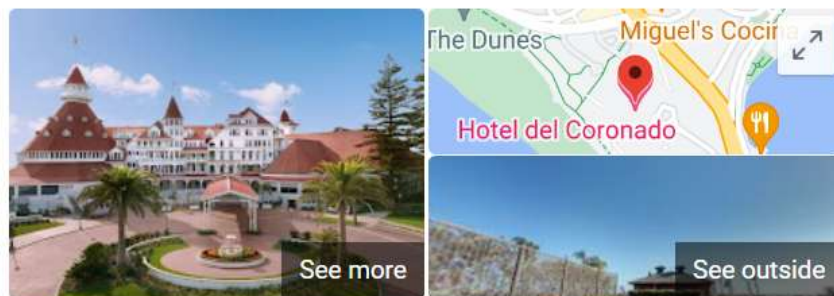
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NOTE: Receipts for the four- and five-star hotels are below the screenshots of the respective locations.

Lincoln Stayed At Four- And Five-Star Hotels And Beach Resorts

Hotel Del Coronado Was A Beach Resort. “Make one of America's most beloved beaches the backdrop to your favorite memories. From private beach bonfires with s'mores to plush pool cabanas and surf lessons, make new memories in a magical beachfront setting. Write your story in the sand.” [Hotel del Coronado, Things to Do, accessed [1/15/26](#)]

- **Hotel Del Coronado Was A Four-Star Hotel.** [Google Maps, accessed [6/13/24](#)]



Hotel del Coronado

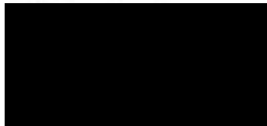
4.5 ★★★★★ 19,019 Google reviews ⋮

4-star hotel

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LINCOLN, KEVIN



Room No: 6215/Q2TR
Arrival Date: 9/7/2023 12:00:00 AM
Departure Date: 9/10/2023
Adult/Child: 1/0
Cashier ID: MEME
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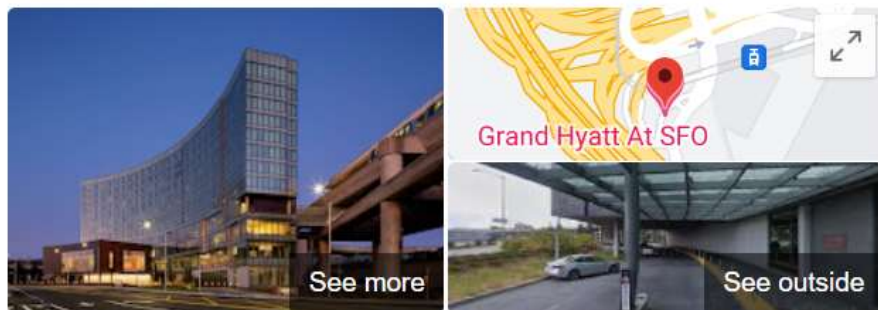
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8/23/2023	Advance Deposit MC *4654	PAMA	5600826		(\$524.34)	
9/5/2023	Advance Deposit MC *4654	MEME	5657904		(\$1,048.68)	
BALANCE						(\$1,573.02)

[City of Stockton, Reimbursements to Mayor Lincoln, received 1/21/26]

Grand Hyatt At SFO Was A Five-Star Hotel. [Google Maps, accessed [6/13/24](#)]



Grand Hyatt At SFO

4.7 ★★★★★ 977 Google reviews ⋮

5-star hotel

4.	Hyatt Hotel SFO (\$20.61 to be reimbursed to the City as it was charged to the room)	\$442.28	0.00	\$442.28
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Peppermill Was A Four-Star Resort. [Google Maps, accessed [6/13/24](#)]



Peppermill Resort Spa Casino

4.4 ★★★★★ 21,248 Google reviews

4-star hotel



Peppermill Hotel Casino Reno
2707 S. Virginia
Reno NV, 89502
800/648-6992

KEVIN LINCOLN

06/06/2022
07:13:39
Wing/Room T T1003

Resv No 446902302881
Page 1 06/06/2022 07:13:00
Arrival 06/02/2022
Departure 06/06/2022
Bill code
Group AUSVIPS

FREE WIFI INTERNET ACCESS FOR ALL GUESTS

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		PER NT	
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		FULL CREDIT OF \$35	
		RESORT	
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		TAX	26.65
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		PER NT	
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		FULL CREDIT OF \$35	
		RESORT	
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		TOURISM SURCHARGE	
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		TAX	26.65
06/04/2022	447159101809	RESORT SERVICE FEE	39.55
		RESORT FEE \$35+TAX	
		PER NT	

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		TAX	26.65
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		RESORT FEE \$35+TAX	
		PER NT	
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		FULL CREDIT OF \$35	
		RESORT	
06/05/2022	447169101693	TOURISM SURCHARGE FEE	2.00
		TOURISM SURCHARGE	
06/05/2022	447169104649	ROOM CHARGE T T1003	205.00
		TAX	26.65
		Balance Due	.00

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Hyatt Regency Long Beach Was A Four-Star Resort On The Beach. [Google Maps, accessed [2/9/26](#)]

Hyatt Regency Long Beach

4.4 ★★★★★ 4,155 Google reviews · 4-star hotel · www.hyatt.com · (562) 491-1234



Hyatt Regency Long Beach
200 South Pine Avenue
Long Beach, CA 90802
Tel: 562-491-1234
Fax: 562-432-1972
longbeach.hyatt.com

INVOICE



Guest Lincoln, Kevin

Confirmation No. 2536994301

Group Name 28023545 2022 Annual Conference & Expo

Booking No. EZG0E8SZ

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Departure 09-09-22
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Folio No. 1315220

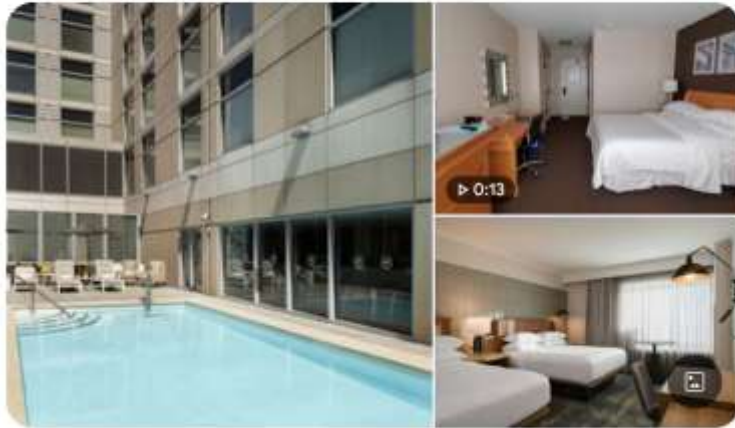
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09-07-22	Occupancy Tax 13.0%	31.07	
09-07-22	LB Tourism Assessment 3.0%	7.17	
09-07-22	CA Tourism Fee - Accommodations	0.48	
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09-08-22	Occupancy Tax 13.0%	31.07	
09-08-22	LB Tourism Assessment 3.0%	7.17	
09-08-22	CA Tourism Fee - Accommodations	0.48	
09-09-22	Mastercard XXXXXXXXXXXX1528 XX/XX		833.16
Total		833.16	833.16
Guest Signature		Balance	0.00

[City of Stockton, Reimbursements to Mayor Lincoln, received 1/21/26]

Sheraton Grand Sacramento Hotel Was A Four-Star Hotel. [Google Maps, accessed [2/9/26](#)]

Sheraton Grand Sacramento Hotel

4.2 ★★★★★ 3,136 Google reviews · 4-star hotel · www.marriott.com · (916) 447-1700





Thank you for booking with us, Kevin Lincoln.

Explore the world with us.

Tue, Sep 21, 2021 – Fri, Sep 24, 2021

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Confirmation Number: 95812477



Check-In: Tuesday, September 21, 2021 03:00 PM

Check-Out: Friday, September 24, 2021 12:00 PM

Important Information About Your Stay

In response to current travel advisories, this hotel may have modified hours or limitations on certain services and amenities. [Learn More](#)



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Number of rooms 1 Room

Guests per room 1 Adult

Guarantee Method Credit Card Guarantee, Master Card

Total for Stay (all rooms) 697.80 USD

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Hilton Washington DC Capitol Hill Was A Four-Star Hotel. [Washington Hotels & Resorts, accessed [2/20/26](#)]

Hilton Washington Dc Capitol Hill Hotel 4*

FREE WI-FI IN PUBLIC AREAS

24-HOUR RECEPTION

FITNESS CENTRE

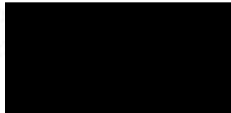
[VIEW ALL +](#)

Offering a shared lounge and recreational facilities, the 4-star Hilton Washington Dc Capitol Hill Hotel is located merely a 5-minute walk from Acacia Griffins Sculpture and near an underground station. Boasting a gym area and a fitness club, the hotel is right in the centre of the city, in the immediate vicinity of the National Postal Museum.



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LINCOLN, KEVIN



Room No: 1012K1
Arrival Date: 5/7/2023 12:11:00 PM
Departure Date: 5/11/2023 10:54:00 AM
Adult/Child: 1/0
Cashier ID: EDRO
Room Rate: 309.00
AL:
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Folio No/Chg 106482 A

Confirmation Number: 3318503576

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[City of Stockton, Reimbursements to Mayor Lincoln, received 1/21/26]

Lincoln, Kevin

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Confirmation Number: 3232549360

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5/9/2022	GUEST ROOM	ROLE	214589	\$349.00		
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5/10/2022	GUEST ROOM	ROLE	215194	\$349.00		
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5/12/2022	RM OCCUPANCY TAX	MADI	216439	\$52.18		
5/13/2022	MC *1528	ALCH	216545		(\$2,407.08)	
BALANCE						\$0.00

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Room No: 916/K1
Arrival Date: 5/7/2022 5:24:00 PM
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Adult/Child: 1/0
Cashier ID: EDRO
Room Rate: 349.00
AL:
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Folio No/Cho: 68139.A

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Capital Hilton Was A Four-Star Hotel. [Google Maps, accessed [2/9/26](#)]

Capital Hilton

4.3 ★★★★★ 5,176 Google reviews · 4-star hotel · www.hilton.com · (202) 393-1000



** Lodging (Provide complete address information)	\$ 1,653.45	\$ 770.17	-\$ 20.61	Paid via PCard (Florence Low)/(\$1308.00 DC Hotel) Paid via PCard (Florence Low)/(\$345.45 SFO Hotel) Credit Applied **See Attached Breakdown Sheet**
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5.	Capital Hilton Pre-Charge to secure Room for Mayor Lincoln	\$327.89	0.00	\$327.89
6.	Capital Hilton **Please note that Mayor Lincoln had to come home [REDACTED] so he technically only stayed one night (\$327.89) at the Capital Hilton Hotel. As of now Florence card was not charged the \$1,127.89 and it should not be charged since services were not rendered.	\$1,127.89	\$1,127.89	0.00 Amount was never charged on P-Card

[City of Stockton, Reimbursements to Mayor Lincoln, received 1/21/26]

Kevin Lincoln Message #2 Backup

Stockton already had one of the highest sales taxes in the Valley, but Mayor Kevin Lincoln piled on even more. Lincoln voted to approve more than sixty city fees. His policies created higher costs for water utilities and even youth sports. Then, Lincoln increased health insurance costs for city workers by eighteen percent. Under Kevin Lincoln's watch, government made life more expensive, not more affordable.

Stockton Already Had One Of The Highest Sales Taxes In The Valley, But Mayor Kevin Lincoln Piled On Even More.

2023: Lincoln Voted To Continue Measure A, Which Was A Sales Tax Increase

December 2023: Lincoln Voted To Continue Measure A, Which Was A ¾-Cent Sales Tax Increase, For One Decade. “Measure A is a three-quarter cent transaction and use tax passed by Stockton voters in 2013. It is part of the 9% sales tax people pay when making purchases at stores in the city. Measure A pledged to add 120 additional police officers, bringing the force up from 365 to 485 sworn officers. It was passed along with Measure B, an advisory measure that said 65% of the Measure A funds would be spent on the Marshall Plan — law enforcement and crime prevention — and 35% would be spent on exiting bankruptcy and recovering from the Great Recession. The tax was set to sunset on March 31, but will continue through 2034 with the council's vote. Mayor Kevin Lincoln, Vice Mayor Kimberly Warmesley and council members Dan Wright, Michael Blower, Susan Lenz and Brando Villapudua all said ‘yes’ to Measure A. Michele Padilla cast the lone dissenting vote.” [Stockton Record, [12/11/23](#)]

Taxes From Measure A Were Part Of The 9% Sales Tax People Paid When Making Purchases In Stockton. “Measure A is a three-quarter cent transaction and use tax passed by Stockton voters in 2013. It is part of the 9% sales tax people pay when making purchases at stores in the city.” [Stockton Record, [12/11/23](#)]

2022: Stockton Had The Highest Sales Tax Rate In San Joaquin County At 9%

2022: Stockton Had The Highest Sales Tax Rate In San Joaquin County At 9%. [California Department of Tax and Fee Administration, California City and County Sales and Use Tax Rates, [12/31/22](#)]

2022: Select San Joaquin County Sales Tax Rates		
Location	Rate	County



Stockton	9.000%	San Joaquin
Manteca	8.250%	San Joaquin
Escalon	7.750%	San Joaquin

[California Department of Tax and Fee Administration, California City and County Sales and Use Tax Rates, [12/31/22](#)]

Lincoln Voted To Approve More Than Sixty City Fees.

2021-2024: Stockton Added 61 New Fees, Including For Inspecting Fire Hydrants, Replanting Trees, Registering For Youth Sports, And Using Rooms At The Civic Auditorium

2021-2024: Lincoln Served As Mayor Of Stockton

2021-2024: Lincoln Served As Mayor Of Stockton. “President Donald Trump on Thursday endorsed former Stockton Mayor Kevin Lincoln in his bid to unseat Rep. Adam Gray in next year’s campaign for California’s 13th Congressional District. [...] Lincoln was mayor of Stockton from 2021 to 2024.”

[Turlock Journal, [12/20/25](#)]

2021-2024: Stockton’s Fee Schedules Added 61 New Fees, Including For Inspecting Fire Hydrants, Replanting Trees, Registering For Youth Sports, And Using Rooms At The Civic Auditorium

2021-2024: Stockton’s Fee Schedules Added 61 New Fees. [City of Stockton, Fee Schedule, [FY 2021-22](#); City of Stockton, Fee Schedule, [FY 2022-23](#); City of Stockton, Fee Schedule, [FY 2023-24](#); City of Stockton, Fee Schedule, [FY 2024-25](#)]

2021-2024: Stockton New Fees And Fee Increases					
#	Fee	FY 21-22	FY 22-23	FY 23-24	FY 24-25
1	All Halls – Non-Profit Public Event Rental Fee, Peak Days (Stockton Memorial Civic Auditorium)	\$3,200.00	\$3,344.00	\$3,561.00	\$3,561.00
2	All Halls – For Profit Public Event Rental Fee, Peak Days (Stockton Memorial Civic Auditorium)	\$4,000.00	\$4,180.00	\$4,452.00	\$4,452.00
3	Hydrant Meter Rental Deposit, Covering Replacement in Case of Damages (Hydrant Meter Rental)	\$596.00	\$596.00	\$596.00	\$596.00
4	After Hours Special Program Fee, per Person, Members (Pixie Woods Park)	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00
5	After Hours Special Program Fee, per Person, Non-Members (Pixie Woods Park)	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00
6	Youth Sports Camp (Under 18), Any Sport, per Player (Youth Sports Registration)*	\$40.00	\$41.75	\$44.50	\$46.00
7	Youth Sports Day Clinic (Under 18), Any Sport, per Player (Youth Sports Registration)*	\$8.00	\$8.25	\$8.75	\$9.00

8	Electronic Gaming Program Teen and Youth League, per Player, per Season (Electronic Gaming Program) (Esports)*	\$20.00	\$21.00	\$22.25	\$23.00
9	Electronic Gaming Program Teen and Youth Tournament, per Player, per Event (Esports)*	\$10.00	\$10.50	\$11.25	\$11.75
10	Electronic Gaming Program Adult League, per Player, per Season (Esports)*	\$20.00	\$21.00	\$22.00	\$23.50
11	Electronic Gaming Program Adult Tournament, per Player, per Event (Esports)*	\$10.00	\$10.50	\$11.25	\$11.75
12	McNair Soccer Field Rental – Youth Practice, per Hour, per ½ Field (Non-Tournament Field Rental)*	\$6.00	\$6.25	\$6.75	\$7.00
13	McNair Soccer Field Rental – Adult Use, per Hour, per ½ Field (Non-Tournament Field Reservations)*	\$12.00	\$12.50	\$13.25	\$13.75
14	McNair Soccer Field Rental – Adult Tournament, per Hour (Tournament-Field Reservations)*	\$30.50	\$31.75	\$33.75	\$35.00
15	Full-Day Softball Tournament Field Rental (Tournament- Field Reservations)**	\$1,500.00	\$1,568.00	\$1,670.00	\$1,727.00
16	Refund Processing Fee (Community Development Department)	-	10% of Refund (Not to Exceed \$25)	10% of Refund (Not to Exceed \$25)	10% of Refund (Not to Exceed \$25)
17	Plan Copy Authorization Processing Fee (Community Development Department)	-	\$85.00	\$85.00	\$85.00
18	Administration Fee for Heritage Oak Removal Permit (Heritage Oak Program)†	-	\$65.00	\$65.00	\$65.00
19	Heritage Oak Removal Noticing Fee (Heritage Oak Program)†	-	\$112.00	\$112.00	\$112.00
20	Independent Arborist Report Fee (Heritage Oak Program)†	-	\$84.00	\$84.00	\$84.00
21	Flat Fee for Set-Up Time Before/After Events (Stockton Memorial Civic Auditorium)	-	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$400.00
22	Inspections – 1-5 Hydrants (Operational Fire Permits)	-	\$86.00	\$172.00	\$178.00
23	Private Fire Hydrant System Inspections – 6-10 Hydrants (Operational Fire Permits)	-	\$241.00	\$481.00	\$497.00

24	Private Fire Hydrant System Inspections – 11-15 Hydrants (Operational Fire Permits)	-	\$266.00	\$533.00	\$551.00
25	Private Fire Hydrant System Inspections – 16-20 Hydrants (Operational Fire Permits)	-	\$292.00	\$584.00	\$604.00
26	Private Fire Hydrant System Inspections – 21-25 Hydrants (Operational Fire Permits)	-	\$318.00	\$636.00	\$658.00
27	Private Fire Hydrant System Inspections – Over 25 Hydrants (Operational Fire Permits)	-	\$344.00	\$688.00	\$711.00
28	Plant Extraction Systems Fee (Operational Fire Permits)	-	\$344.00	\$688.00	\$711.00
29	Repair/Service Garage “Bundle Permit” (Includes Cutting/Welding and/or Hot Works Operations & Flammable Combustible Liquids Storage) (Operational Fire Permits)	-	\$344.00	\$688.00	\$711.00
30	High-Rise Building Inspections – Per Hour Fee (Fire Inspection Permit)	-	\$187.00	\$187.00	\$193.00
31	Street Tree Replant (Tree Permit)	-	Actual Cost	Actual Cost	Actual Cost
32	Heritage Tree Replant (Tree Permit)	-	Actual Cost	Actual Cost	Actual Cost
33	Recreation Class Taught by City of Stockton Personnel (Community Centers)†	-	\$10.00	\$10.75	\$11.00
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While Lincoln Was Mayor, Stockton Added New Fees And Then Doubled Them For Fire Permitting On Auto Body Shops And Food Service Establishments

FY 2022-23: Stockton Introduced Fees For Fire Permitting On Auto Body Shops (\$344) And Food Service Establishments (\$258). [City of Stockton, Fee Schedule, Page 16, [FY 2022-23](#)]

Description	Reason	Current Amount	Adopted Amount
OPERATIONAL FIRE PERMITS (BUNDLES)			
Auto Body Shop (Includes Cutting & Welding Operations and Application of Flammable Finishes-Spray Painting & Flammable/Combustible Liquid Storage)	Year 1 of 2 fee adjustment for 2019-2020 fee study	\$0	\$344.00
Auto Body Shop (Includes Cutting & Welding Operations and Application of Flammable Finishes-Spray Painting and Flammable/Combustible Liquid Storage w/Hazardous Materials)	Year 1 of 2 fee adjustment for new "bundle permit" of 2019-2020 fee study. Per CFC 2016, where more than one permit is required for the same location, permits may be consolidated into a single permit.	\$0	\$516.00
Auto Wrecking Yard/Junk Yard - (Includes Repair Garage, Cutting & Welding Operations and Flammable Combustible Liquids Storage)	Year 1 of 2 fee adjustment for new "bundle permit" of 2019-2020 fee study. Per CFC 2016, where more than one permit is required for the same location, permits may be consolidated into a single permit.	\$0	\$387.00
Auto Wrecking Yard/Junk Yards (Includes Repair Garage, Cutting & Welding Operations, and Flammable and/or Combustible Liquids Storage w/Hazardous Materials)	Year 1 of 2 fee adjustment for new "bundle permit" of 2019-2020 fee study. Per CFC 2016, where more than one permit is required for the same location, permits may be consolidated into a single permit.	\$0	\$537.00
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Cutting & Welding with Compressed Gas: LARGE - Over MAQ per CFC Chapter 50 Table 5003.1.1 (1)	Year 1 of 2 fee adjustment for new "bundle permit" of 2019-2020 fee study. Per CFC 2016, where more than one permit is required for the same location, permits may be consolidated into a single permit.	\$0	\$645.00
Food Service (B Occupancy less than 50: hood and duct, and CO2 for beverage dispensing)	Year 1 of 2 fee adjustment for new "bundle permit" of 2019-2020 fee study. Per CFC 2016, where more than one permit is required for the same location, permits may be consolidated into a single permit.	\$0	\$258.00

FY 2023-24: Stockton Doubled Fees For Fire Permitting On Auto Body Shops And Food Service Establishments. [City of Stockton, Fee Schedule, Page 15, [FY 2023-24](#)]

<i>Description</i>	<i>Reason</i>	<i>Current Amount</i>	<i>Adopted Amount</i>
Annual Operational Fire Permits			
Place of Assembly - Occupant Load 301-1,000	Council approved fee study – Year 2 of 2 fee increase	\$449.00	\$602.00
Place of Assembly - Occupant Load over 1,000	Council approved fee study – Year 2 of 2 fee increase	\$529.00	\$731.00
Plant Extraction Systems	Council approved fee study – Year 2 of 2 fee increase	\$344.00	\$688.00
Pyroxylin Plastics - Storage, Handling, Assembly, Manufacturing >25 lbs of cellulose nitrate	Council approved fee study – Year 2 of 2 fee increase	\$340.00	\$430.00
Repair Garage and/or Service Garage (Includes Cutting/Welding)	Council approved fee study – Year 2 of 2 fee increase	\$383.00	\$516.00
Wood Products Storage: chips, hogged material, lumber or plywood in excess of 200 cu. ft.	Council approved fee study – Year 2 of 2 fee increase	\$641.00	\$1,031.00
Operational Fire Permits (Bundles)			
Auto Body Shop (Includes Cutting & Welding Operations and Application of Flammable Finishes-Spray Painting & Flammable/Combustible Liquid Storage)	Council approved fee study – Year 2 of 2 fee increase	\$344.00	\$688.00
Auto Body Shop (Includes Cutting & Welding Operations and Application of Flammable Finishes-Spray Painting and Flammable/Combustible Liquid Storage)w/Hazardous Materials	Council approved fee study – Year 2 of 2 fee increase	\$516.00	\$1,031.00
Auto Wrecking Yard/Junk Yard - (Includes Repair Garage, Cutting & Welding Operations and Flammable Combustible Liquids Storage)	Council approved fee study – Year 2 of 2 fee increase	\$387.00	\$774.00
Auto Wrecking Yard/Junk Yards (Includes Repair Garage, Cutting & Welding Operations, and Flammable and/or Combustible Liquids Storage) w/Hazardous Materials	Council approved fee study – Year 2 of 2 fee increase	\$537.00	\$1,074.00
Cutting & Welding with Compressed Gas: SMALL - Up to MAQ per CFC Chapter 50 Table 5003.1.1(1)	Council approved fee study – Year 2 of 2 fee increase	\$473.00	\$945.00
Cutting & Welding with Compressed Gas: LARGE - Over MAQ per CFC Chapter 50 Table 5003.1.1(1)	Council approved fee study – Year 2 of 2 fee increase	\$645.00	\$1,289.00
Food Service (B Occupancy less than 50: hood and duct, and CO2 for beverage dispensing)	Council approved fee study – Year 2 of 2 fee increase	\$258.00	\$516.00

His Policies Created Higher Costs For Water Utilities And Even Youth Sports.

2021-2024: Stockton Significantly Increased Fees, Including For Utility Services Requests, Water, And Building Fire Inspections

2021-2024: Stockton Increased Fees For Municipal Utilities With Utility Services Requests Increasing By Nearly 15%, Monthly Water Fees For Single-Family Homes Increasing By Nearly 9%, And Multi-Family Homes Increasing By Nearly 15%

2021-2024: Stockton Increased Its Fee To Request Utility Services By Nearly 15%

2021-2024: Stockton Increased Its Fee To Request Utility Services By 14.91%. [City of Stockton, Fee Schedule, [FY 2021-22](#); City of Stockton, Fee Schedule, [FY 2022-23](#); City of Stockton, Fee Schedule, [FY 2023-24](#); City of Stockton, Fee Schedule, [FY 2024-25](#)]

2021-2024: Stockton Fee To Request Utility Services					
Service	FY 21-22	FY 22-23	FY 23-24	FY 24-25	Increase From FY 21-22 To FY 24-25



					(\$)	(%)
Request for Utility Services	\$275.00	\$287.00	\$306.00	\$316.00	\$41.00	14.91%

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2021-2024: Stockton Increased Its Monthly Water Fees For Single-Family Homes By An Average Of Nearly 9%

2021-2024: Stockton Increased Its Monthly Water Fees For Single-Family Homes By An Average Of 8.95%. [City of Stockton, Fee Schedule, [FY 2021-22](#); City of Stockton, Fee Schedule, [FY 2022-23](#); City of Stockton, Fee Schedule, [FY 2023-24](#); City of Stockton, Fee Schedule, [FY 2024-25](#)]

2021-2024: Stockton Monthly Water Fees For Single-Family Homes						
Fee	FY 21-22	FY 22-23	FY 23-24	FY 24-25	Increase From FY 21-22 To FY 24-25	
					(\$)	(%)
Consumption per CCF (1 unit = 1CCF) Tier 1: 0-15	\$2.47	\$2.49	\$2.58	\$2.67	\$0.20	8.10%
Consumption per CCF (1 unit = 1 CCF) Tier 2: 15+ CCF	\$2.95	\$2.96	\$3.08	\$3.19	\$0.24	8.14%
1 inch and less meter	\$33.90	\$35.30	\$36.54	\$37.82	\$3.92	11.56%
1 ½ inch meter	\$67.80	\$70.60	\$73.08	\$75.64	\$7.84	11.56%
2 inch meter	\$108.48	\$112.96	\$116.93	\$121.02	\$12.54	11.56%
3 inch meter	\$203.40	\$211.80	\$219.24	\$226.92	\$23.52	11.56%
4 inch meter	\$339.00	\$353.00	\$365.40	\$378.20	\$39.20	11.56%
6 inch meter	\$678.00	\$706.00	\$730.80	\$756.40	\$78.40	11.56%
8 inch meter	\$1,084.80	\$1,129.60	\$1,169.28	\$1,210.24	\$125.44	11.56%
10 inch meter	\$1,559.40	\$1,623.80	\$1,680.84	\$1,739.72	\$180.32	11.56%
12 inch meter	\$2,288.25	\$2,382.75	\$2,466.45	\$2,552.85	\$264.60	11.56%
Drought Recovery Charge Stage 1 (10%): Per CCF (1 unit = 1CCF)	\$0.30	\$0.29	\$0.30	\$0.31	\$0.01	3.33%

Drought Recovery Charge Stage 2 (20%): Per CCF (1 unit = 1CCF)	\$0.66	\$0.65	\$0.67	\$0.69	\$0.03	4.55%
Drought Recovery Charge Stage 3 (30%): Per CCF (1 unit = 1CCF)	\$1.15	\$1.12	\$1.16	\$1.20	\$0.05	4.35%
Drought Recovery Charge Stage 4 (40%): Per CCF (1 unit = 1CCF)	\$1.78	\$1.74	\$1.81	\$1.87	\$0.09	5.06%
Drought Recovery Charge Stage 5 (50%): Per CCF (1 unit = 1CCF)	\$2.66	\$2.61	\$2.71	\$2.81	\$0.15	5.64%
Average:						8.95%

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NOTE: CCF stands for centum cubic feet (100 cubic feet) and is roughly 748 gallons.

NOTE: Water meters can range in diameter from less than 1 inch to more than 12 inches.

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2021-2024: Stockton Monthly Water Fees For Single Multi-Family Homes						
Fee	FY 21-22	FY 22-23	FY 23-24	FY 24-25	Increase From FY 21-22 To FY 24-25	
					(\$)	(%)
Consumption per CCF (1 unit =	\$2.11	\$2.39	\$2.47	\$2.56	\$0.45	21.33%

1CCF) Winter: Oct 01 – Apr 30						
Consumption per CCF (1 unit = 1CCF) Summer: May 01 – Sept 30	\$2.30	\$2.59	\$2.68	\$2.77	\$0.47	20.43%
1 inch and less meter	\$33.90	\$35.30	\$36.54	\$37.82	\$3.92	11.56%
1 ½ inch meter	\$67.80	\$70.60	\$73.08	\$75.64	\$7.84	11.56%
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Drought Recovery Charge Stage 1 (10%): Per CCF (1 unit = 1CCF)	\$0.25	\$0.28	\$0.29	\$0.30	\$0.05	20.00%
Drought Recovery Charge Stage 2 (20%): Per CCF (1 unit = 1CCF)	\$0.56	\$0.62	\$0.64	\$0.66	\$0.10	17.86%
Drought Recovery Charge Stage 3 (30%): Per CCF (1 unit = 1CCF)	\$0.95	\$1.06	\$1.10	\$1.14	\$0.19	20.00%
Drought Recovery Charge Stage 4 (40%): Per	\$1.48	\$1.66	\$1.72	\$1.78	\$0.30	20.27%

CCF (1 unit = 1CCF)						
Drought Recovery Charge Stage 5 (50%): Per CCF (1 unit = 1CCF)	\$2.23	\$2.48	\$2.56	\$2.65	\$0.42	18.83%
Average:						15.17%

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2021-2024: Stockton New Fees And Fee Increases					
#	Fee	FY 21-22	FY 22-23	FY 23-24	FY 24-25
1	All Halls – Non-Profit Public Event Rental Fee, Peak Days (Stockton Memorial Civic Auditorium)	\$3,200.00	\$3,344.00	\$3,561.00	\$3,561.00
2	All Halls – For Profit Public Event Rental Fee, Peak Days (Stockton Memorial Civic Auditorium)	\$4,000.00	\$4,180.00	\$4,452.00	\$4,452.00
3	Hydrant Meter Rental Deposit, Covering Replacement in Case of Damages (Hydrant Meter Rental)	\$596.00	\$596.00	\$596.00	\$596.00
4	After Hours Special Program Fee, per Person, Members (Pixie Woods Park)	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00
5	After Hours Special Program Fee, per Person, Non-Members (Pixie Woods Park)	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00
6	Youth Sports Camp (Under 18), Any Sport, per Player (Youth Sports Registration)*	\$40.00	\$41.75	\$44.50	\$46.00
7	Youth Sports Day Clinic (Under 18), Any Sport, per Player (Youth Sports Registration)*	\$8.00	\$8.25	\$8.75	\$9.00
8	Electronic Gaming Program Teen and Youth League, per Player, per Season	\$20.00	\$21.00	\$22.25	\$23.00

	(Electronic Gaming Program) (Esports)*				
9	Electronic Gaming Program Teen and Youth Tournament, per Player, per Event (Esports)*	\$10.00	\$10.50	\$11.25	\$11.75
10	Electronic Gaming Program Adult League, per Player, per Season (Esports)*	\$20.00	\$21.00	\$22.00	\$23.50
11	Electronic Gaming Program Adult Tournament, per Player, per Event (Esports)*	\$10.00	\$10.50	\$11.25	\$11.75
12	McNair Soccer Field Rental – Youth Practice, per Hour, per ½ Field (Non-Tournament Field Rental)*	\$6.00	\$6.25	\$6.75	\$7.00
13	McNair Soccer Field Rental – Adult Use, per Hour, per ½ Field (Non-Tournament Field Reservations)*	\$12.00	\$12.50	\$13.25	\$13.75
14	McNair Soccer Field Rental – Adult Tournament, per Hour (Tournament-Field Reservations)*	\$30.50	\$31.75	\$33.75	\$35.00
15	Full-Day Softball Tournament Field Rental (Tournament- Field Reservations)**	\$1,500.00	\$1,568.00	\$1,670.00	\$1,727.00
16	Refund Processing Fee (Community Development Department)	-	10% of Refund (Not to Exceed \$25)	10% of Refund (Not to Exceed \$25)	10% of Refund (Not to Exceed \$25)
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21	Flat Fee for Set-Up Time Before/After Events (Stockton Memorial Civic Auditorium)	-	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$400.00
22	Inspections – 1-5 Hydrants (Operational Fire Permits)	-	\$86.00	\$172.00	\$178.00
23	Private Fire Hydrant System Inspections – 6-10 Hydrants (Operational Fire Permits)	-	\$241.00	\$481.00	\$497.00
24	Private Fire Hydrant System Inspections – 11-15 Hydrants (Operational Fire Permits)	-	\$266.00	\$533.00	\$551.00

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September 2024: Lincoln Voted To Increase Health Premium Rates By 18% On Stockton's More Than 1,300 Full-Time Employees

September 2024: Lincoln Voted To Approve The 2025 Health Premium Rates For The City's Health Plans. "Approve Motion 2024-09-10-1203: 1. Accepting the 2025 Annual Health Benefits Report for the City's medical, dental, and vision plans 2. Approving the 2025 Health Premium Rates for the City's health plans 3. Authorizing the City Manager or their designee to execute health benefit policies and plans to address the health care needs of the City's employees. [...] Vote: Motion carried 5-1 Yes: Michael Blower, Brando Villapudua, Susan Lenz, Kevin J Lincoln II, and Kimberly Warmsley. No: Michele Padilla. Absent: Daniel Wright." [Stockton City Council, Meeting Minutes, [9/10/24](#)]

- **Legislation Text: "Our Current Medical Plans Are Seeing A Significant Increase In Premiums For 2025."** "Our current medical plans are seeing a significant increase in premiums for 2025. These rate increases reflect actual City of Stockton utilization reporting and usage as well as current market conditions." [Stockton City Council, Motion 2024-09-10-1203 Legislation Text, [9/10/24](#)]

Stockton's 2025 Health Premium Rates Increased More Than 18% For Kaiser And Sutter Plans.

"Council is being asked to approve the 2025 Health Premium Rates (Attachment A) for employee benefit plans effective January 1, 2025. It is important to note that the employer contributions in this report are dependent upon the provisions of the Memoranda of Understanding (MOU) with the various bargaining units and the Unrepresented Management/Confidential and Law Employees Compensation Plan (Unrepresented Compensation Plan). [...] Our current medical plans are seeing a significant increase in premiums for 2025. These rate increases reflect actual City of Stockton utilization reporting and usage as well as current market conditions. · Kaiser POS increase +19.5% · Kaiser HDHP increase +18.9% · Kaiser HMO increase +19.0% · Sutter HMO increase +18.0% · Sutter HDHP increase +18.9% · Delta DHMO increase +0.5% · Delta PPO decrease -0.2% · VSP Vision decrease -6.3%" [Stockton City Council, Motion 2024-09-10-1203 Legislation Text, [9/10/24](#)]

2024: More Than 1,300 Full-Time Stockton Employees Were Enrolled In Kaiser And Sutter Health Plans. [Stockton City Council, Motion 2024-09-10-1203 Legislation Text, [9/10/24](#)]

Enrollment as of June 30, 2024

1,323 full-time employees are enrolled in the following health plans:

PLAN	EMPLOYEE'S ENROLLED
Kaiser HMO	589
Kaiser HDHP	189
Kaiser POS*	1
Sutter HMO	421
Sutter HDHP	123

*The (1) current enrollee in the Kaiser POS plan will not be impacted by the removal

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Stockton City Employees, Including Workers At The Police Department And Library, Asked City Council Not To Raise Their Health Premium Rates, Citing Financial Struggles

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Library Assistant Vasti Gutierrez Asked City Council To Table The Health Insurance Premiums Issue Until Employees Could Speak To HR And Find A Solution. “To: Whom it may concern From: A Library assistant Hello, As a single mother of two who is living in *[sic]* my own and just trying to get by on a city salary I am concerned. My health has been an ongoing issue and I am working hard to get my health under control. I had heart surgery in May and I have been working hard to reverse my diabetes. I am on a very tight budget and recently signed a lease in a questionable part of town as this is all I could afford. I struggle to pay my rent, electric, and have enough I eat *[sic]* for my small family. I currently pay about \$200 of my biweekly *[sic]* salary to health insurance plus co-payments if *[sic]* at least \$100 every two weeks for appointments and medications. Increasing our premiums would make our quality of life much more difficult. I went as far as applying for food stamps recently because of our lack of food security. I was quickly denied because on paper it looks like I make too much. But once my insurance is

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