

Notice of Intent:

Dues increase Vote

When: September 13, 2016

**Where: Suisun Lodge #55 F&AM
412 Travis Boulevard, Fairfield, CA 94533**

Time: 8:00 p.m.

Whereas, Suisun Lodge #55 F&AM, yearly dues has not been adjusted for cost of services adjustment for a period of approximately 26 years.

Whereas, Suisun Lodge #55 F&AM, shall maintain funds on hand to aid and assist Worthy Brother Master Mason, Widows and Orphans in need.

Whereas, Suisun Lodge #55 F&AM, has financial obligation to Fairfield Suisun Building Association in the amount of \$751.66 monthly or \$9,020.00 annually.

Whereas, rent received by Building Association pays the building up keep and maintenance work, pays all bills inclusive of property taxes, water usage taxes, maintains building supplies and kitchen equipment; thus on average, equates to approximately \$700.00 monthly in bills, approximately \$3,100.00 a year in insurance, and approximately \$4,100.00 in property assessment taxes. Bills consist of water and sewage, gas, electric, trash, internet and phone. All lodges in California are to maintain a building association by grand lodge.

IRC 501(c)(2) exempts from federal income tax corporations (as defined in IRC 7701(a)(3), "corporations" include associations) organized for the exclusive purpose of holding title to property, collecting income therefrom, and turning over the entire amount thereof, less expenses, to an organization which itself is exempt under IRC 501(a).

Whereas, having met in open Lodge and posted the need to increase dues by the sum of seventy dollars (\$70.00), bringing the yearly dues to the sum of one hundred sixty dollars (\$160.00).

Therefore, on September 13, 2016, Suisun Lodge #55 F&AM shall bring to a vote of the membership, in the lodge at 412 Travis Boulevard in Fairfield, California, at 8:00 p.m. The motion made to increase the dues during the July meeting and tabled for future discussion, shall be acted upon to increase the dues to the sum of one hundred sixty dollars (\$160.00).

Therefore, the Secretary and Treasurer have been directed to set up means and provisions to allow members to make payments over several months beginning September 1, 2016, so as to help minimize the increase on budgets. Members must remember their dues are required to be paid on or before January 1st each year. Per capita is established by Grand Lodge and will be announced October of each year in addition to the dues increase.

Vote requires 2/3 vote of members present to approve or disapprove.