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BUILDING PERMIT FEE SCHEDULE

A. Residential Building

Residential projects SHALL be defined as any structure and/or building which is used for a single family and/or group of individuals as the dwelling. Structures which are income producing SHALL be defined as COMMERCIAL. Required residential plan reviews SHALL be at the discretion of the Building Official based upon the complexity of the building. If plan reviews are required, the above SHALL apply.

- Minimum permit fee: \$25.00 (i.e. up to construction value of \$6,250)
- Documents establishing the construction values SHALL be provided as part of the permit application. Total construction value equal to or less than \$1,000,000: 0.40% of construction value (i.e. .004 x value)

Example: Single-family detached home (1650 square feet with crawl space)
Construction value (on contract): \$140,000
Calculation: \$140,000 x .004
Fee: \$560

Total construction value over \$1,000,000: \$4,000 + .50% of total construction value (i.e. .005 x value over \$1,000,000 plus \$4,000)

Example: Condominium building; construction value: \$1,500,000
Calculation: \$1,500,000 x .005 plus \$4,000
Fee: \$11,500

B. Residential Remodeling

Total construction value (in contract) x .04

Example: \$22,000 construction value (including the following):

Calculation: \$22,000 x .04

Fee: \$88.00

Electrical: \$800 construction value

Calculation: \$800 x .04

Fee: \$32.00

Plumbing: \$800 construction value

Calculation: \$800 x .04

Fee: \$32.00

C. Residential Electrical Upgrade: \$25.00 (flat rate)

D. Commercial Building Permit

Commercial projects SHALL be defined as any structure and/or building used for a business/commercial/industrial usage and are income producing.

- All trade contractors shall obtain their individual trade building permits.
- Minimum permit fee for all commercial permits: \$100.00 (i.e. up to construction value of \$16,750)
- Documents establishing the construction values SHALL be provided as part of the permit application.

Total construction value equal to or less than \$1,000,000: 0.06% of construction value (i.e. .006 x value)

*Example: Office building (3,000 square feet): Construction cost: \$800,000
Calculation: \$800,000 x .006
Fee: \$4,800*

Total construction value over \$1,000,000: \$6,000 + .75% of total construction value (i.e. .0075 x value)

*Example: School building (47, 150 square feet); Construction cost: \$5,000,000
Calculation: \$5,000,000 x .0075 plus \$6,000
Fee: \$43,500*

E. Commercial Electrical Upgrade

*Example: Construction cost: \$83,000
Calculation: \$83,000 x .006
Fee: \$498.00*

F. Commercial Plan Reviews

- The City contracts with an outside firm for all commercial plan reviews.
- The plan review fee is the total of the outside firm's change plus a \$50.00 administrative fee.
- All commercial plans SHALL be reviewed

G. Demolition (flat rate)

Commercial: \$100.00
Residential: \$25.00

H. Reinspection (flat rate)

Additional fee of \$100.00 for any re-inspection after the first two for the same items.