## **ORDINANCE No.** 185707

Amend fee schedules for building and electrical construction permits (Ordinance)

The City of Portland Ordains:

Section 1. The Council finds:

- 1. The Bureau of Development Services (BDS) promotes safety, livability, and economic vitality through efficient and collaborative application of building and development codes.
- 2. In 1988-89, the Development Services Operating Fund was established with a policy that construction-related programs in the fund would be full self-supporting. Since that time, BDS has kept these programs self-supporting by providing efficient, effective services and by periodic, moderate fee increases that allow the bureau to respond to increasing costs and to be innovative and proactive in meeting changing customer needs.
- 3. BDS collects fees under various fee schedules, including electrical, facility permit, land use, mechanical, neighborhood inspections, noise control, signs, site development, zoning, and others. These fees are used by BDS to fund inspections, plan review, permit issuance, land use review, code enforcement, customer assistance and other functions.
- 4. Fees charged for services delegated from the State Building Codes Division (BCD) must comply with the fee calculation methodologies determined by BCD and described in Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 918-050-0000 through 918-050-0170.
- 5. Fees charged by BDS should cover the costs of providing the services.
- 6. In 1994, BDS initiated an alternative program for commercial reroof permits. The program allows contractors to pre-purchase reroof permits in groups of five for a flat fee. Currently, each permit is valid for 3,000 square feet of roof area. Based on requests from reroofing contractors, BDS is amending the program so that each permit will be valid for 10,000 square feet of roof area. The proposed fee increase reflects the additional staff time necessary to process the new permits.
- 7. The addition of permit fees for wind and solar generation systems in excess of 25KVA in the Electrical Permit fee schedule enables BDS to comply with OAR 918-309-0410.

## NOW, THEREFORE, the Council directs:

a. The Fee Schedules listed as exhibits A and B to this ordinance shall be effective December 1, 2012.

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b. This ordinance is binding City policy.

Passed by the Council:

Commissioner Dan Saltzman

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Prepared by: Denise Kleim, BDS Date Prepared: October 24, 2012 LaVonne Griffin-Valade Auditor of the City of Portland By Mulau Paumo Deputy

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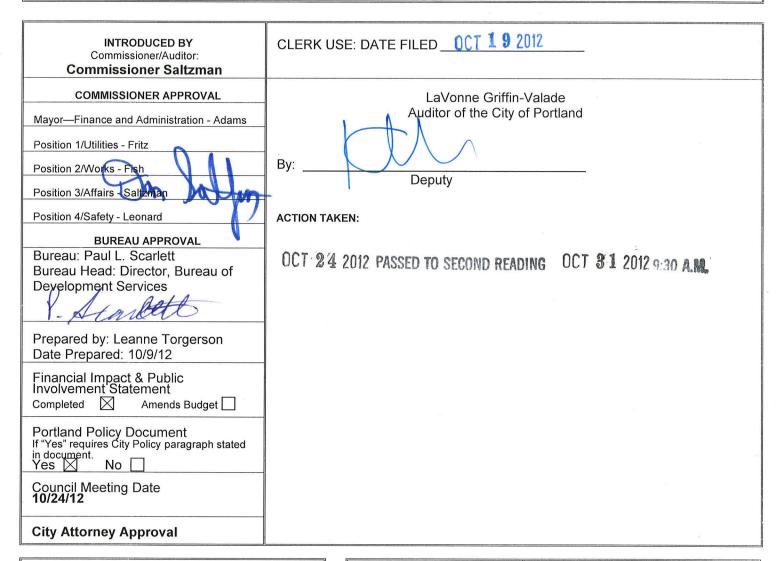
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1. Fritz	1. Fritz		
2. Fish	2. Fish	$\checkmark$	
3. Saltzman	3. Saltzman		
4. Leonard	4. Leonard	~	
Adams	Adams	-	