

Agenda No. ~~325~~ 360

ORDINANCE NO. 190408

Amend permit fee schedules for building, electrical, land use services, mechanical, enforcement, plumbing, signs, site development, and land use services fee schedule for the Hearings Office (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 applying 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 building, land use, neighborhood inspections, plumbing, signs, site development, 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

Introduced by

Commissioner Ryan

Bureau

Development Services

Prepared by

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Date Prepared

April 13, 2021

Requested Council Date

May 12, 2021

Requested Agenda Type

Time Certain 10:15 am
20 minutes requested

Date Filed with Clerk

May 4, 2021

as determined by BCD and described in Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 918-050-0000 through 918-050-0170.

5. Fees charged must be used to cover the costs of administering and enforcing the State Building Code only and may not be used to cover the costs of administering and enforcing local codes. Fees charged by BDS should cover the costs of providing the services.
6. BDS has been proactive in informing bureau customers and stakeholders regarding the need and rationale for the proposed fee changes. The bureau has published information about the proposed changes on its website.
7. Comparisons of major development related fees for seven sample projects, contained in Exhibit L, illustrating the cumulative effect of major fee changes across all development bureaus. Exhibit L is the result of a Development Review Advisory Committee (DRAC) recommendation that development bureaus address fee changes in a more collaborative fashion.
8. The following estimated collection increases are needed for BDS to reach budgetary goals for FY 2021-22, meet annual expenses and build or maintain prudent reserves:

Building/Mechanical Program	5%
Electrical Program	5%
Facility Permit Program	5%
Field Issuance Remodel Program	5%
Land Use Services Program	5%
Neighborhood Inspections Program	5%
Plumbing Program	5%
Signs Program	5%
Site Development program	5%

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council directs:

- A. The Fee Schedules listed as exhibits A through K to this ordinance shall be effective July 1, 2021.
- B. This ordinance is binding City policy.

In support of this ordinance, the following Exhibits (A-L) describe the current and proposed fees:

- Exhibit A: Building
- Exhibit B: Electrical
- Exhibit C: Mechanical
- Exhibit D: Plumbing
- Exhibit E: Signs
- Exhibit F: Site Development
- Exhibit G: Land Use Services (LUS)
- Exhibit H: Life Safety LUS
- Exhibit I: Site Development (LUS)
- Exhibit J: Hearings Office
- Exhibit K: Enforcement
- Exhibit L: Fee Comparisons

Passed by Council: May 19, 2021

MARY HULL CABALLERO

Auditor of the City of Portland

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Deputy

Action Taken: May 12, 2021 Passed to
Second Reading May 19, 2021 at 9:30 am

Commissioners voted as follows (Yea or Nay)

Rubio - Yea

Ryan - Yea

Hardesty - Yea

Mapps - Yea

Wheeler - Yea