

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABERDEEN
Ordinance No. 20-O-13

Date Introduced: August 24, 2020

Sponsored By: Councilwoman Sandra J. Landbeck and Councilman Adam M. Hiob

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Date Adopted: October 12, 2020

Date Effective: November 2, 2020

AN ORDINANCE concerning

Chapter A550 FEES

FOR the purpose of altering the amounts of certain fees in the City of Aberdeen.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments
 Chapter A550 FEES
 Sections A550-1.A., B., D., and E.
 Code of the City of Aberdeen (2010 Edition as amended)

EXPLANATION:

CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING
LAW

((Double Parenthesis)) indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike-Out~~ indicates matter stricken from bill by amendment or
deleted from the law by amendment.

* * * indicates existing unmodified text omitted from Ordinance

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
ABERDEEN, that Sections A550-1.A., B., D., and E. of Chapter A550 of the Code of the City of
Aberdeen (2010 Edition as amended), are repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as
follows:

Chapter A550. FEES

§ A550-1 Schedule of rates and charges.

The following fees, rates and charges shall apply in the City:

A. Water and sewers. The following rates and charges are established pursuant to Chapter 450, Sewers and Water, of the City's Code:

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(5) Water Area Connection Charge.

(a) Per equivalent dwelling unit, ~~(\$10,500))\$9,000-\$10,500~~ WHERE A BUILDING PERMIT IS ISSUED ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30, 2021, AND \$9,000 WHERE A BUILDING PERMIT IS ISSUED THEREAFTER.

[1] Application

[a] Water area connection charges are assessed on all new development and redevelopment. A single-family dwelling is considered one equivalent dwelling unit (EDU) and shall be assessed at ~~(\$10,500))\$9,000~~ \$10,500 WHERE A BUILDING PERMIT IS ISSUED ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30, 2021, AND \$9,000 WHERE BUILDING PERMITS ARE ISSUED THEREAFTER.

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~~[[d] A separate fee per EDU is established for each component. The City Manager is empowered to credit an applicant a portion of the water area connection charge if that applicant has paid for one or more of the components of the water area connection charges in another manner. Adjustment of the water area connection charges is at the sole and complete discretion of the City Manager)).~~

[2] Water production component calculation.

[a] The purpose of this component is to pay for, or pay the debt service on, any project that increases the water production capacity of the City of Aberdeen, whether by using City-owned infrastructure or by purchasing water production capacity in another system from which the City will buy water. That component shall be assessed at ~~(\$6,700 per EDU))70%~~ OF THE CONNECTION FEE.

[3] Water storage component calculation.

[a] The purpose of this component is to pay for, or pay the debt service

on, any project that increases the water storage capacity of the City of Aberdeen. That component shall be assessed at ((\$2,600 per EDU)) 20% OF THE CONNECTION FEE.

[4] Water distribution component calculation.

[a] The purpose of this component is to pay for, or pay the debt service on, any project that increases the water distribution capacity of the overall water system of the City of Aberdeen. ((The further purpose of this component is to pay for, or pay the debt service on, water pumping stations needed to move water from one zone to another or to boost pressure from the Harford County water system into the Aberdeen water system)). That component shall be assessed at ((\$800 per EDU)) 5% OF THE CONNECTION FEE.

[5] Engineering and administrative component calculation.

[a] The purpose of this component is to pay for the periodic engineering studies needed to evaluate any present and future capacities and capabilities of the City of Aberdeen water system. That component shall be assessed ((\$400 per EDU)) AT 5% OF THE CONNECTION FEE.

(b) Hotels and motels: ((\$1,800)) \$1,800 WHERE A BUILDING PERMIT IS ISSUED ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30, 2021, AND, FOR BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED THEREAFTER, 50% OF AN EQUIVALENT DWELLING UNIT per room (rental unit).

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((d) Apartment units: \$5,300 per apartment unit.)) (d) Apartment units: \$5300 per apartment unit WHERE A BUILDING PERMIT IS ISSUED ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30, 2021, AND, FOR BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED THEREAFTER, 100% OF AN EQUIVALENT DWELLING UNIT FEE PER APARTMENT UNIT."

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(7) Sanitary sewer area connection charge.

(a) Per equivalent dwelling unit: ~~(\$5,400))~~\$8,500 \$5,400 WHERE A BUILDING PERMIT IS ISSUED ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30, 2021, AND \$8,500 WHERE A BUILDING PERMIT IS ISSUED THEREAFTER.

[1] Application.

[a] Fees are assessed on all new development and redevelopment.

A single-family dwelling is considered one equivalent dwelling unit (EDU) and shall be assessed at ~~(((\$5,400))~~\$8,500 \$5,400 WHERE A BUILDING PERMIT IS ISSUED ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30, 2021, AND \$8,500 WHERE A BUILDING PERMIT IS ISSUED THEREAFTER, as described in this section.

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[[d] A separate fee per EDU is established for each component. The City Manager is empowered to credit an applicant a portion of the sanitary sewer area connection charge if that applicant has paid for one or more of the components of that charge in another manner. Adjustment of the sanitary sewer area connection charge is at the sole and complete discretion of the City Manager.))

[2] Sewage collection component calculation.

[a] The purpose of this component is to pay for, or pay the debt service on, any project that increases the sewage collection capacity of the City of Aberdeen, or any project that deals with the reduction of inflow and infiltration into the sanitary sewer system. That component shall be assessed at ~~(((\$2,000 per EDU))~~ 35% OF THE CONNECTION FEE.

[3] Sewage treatment component calculation.

[a] The purpose of this component is to pay for, or pay the debt service on, any project that increases the sewage treatment capacity of the City of Aberdeen. That component shall be assessed at ~~(((\$3,000 per EDU))~~ 60% OF THE CONNECTION FEE.

[4] Engineering and administrative component calculation.

[a] The purpose of this component is to pay for the periodic engineering studies needed to evaluate any present and future capacities and capabilities of the City of Aberdeen sewer system. That component shall be assessed at ~~(((\$400 per EDU))~~ 5% OF THE CONNECTION FEE.

(b) Hotels and motels: ~~(((\$1,000))~~ \$1,000 WHERE A BUILDING PERMIT IS ISSUED ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30, 2021, AND, FOR BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED THEREAFTER, 50% OF AN EQUIVALENT DWELLING UNIT per room (rental unit).

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(d) ~~((Apartment units: \$2,700 per apartment unit.))~~ (d) Apartment units: \$2,700

per apartment unit WHERE A BUILDING PERMIT IS ISSUED ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30, 2021, AND, WHERE BUILDING PERMITS ARE ISSUED THEREAFTER, 100% OF AN EQUIVALENT DWELLING UNIT FEE PER APARTMENT UNIT.

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((14) Miss utility location marking fees.

(a) Requests for Miss Utility locations markings will be billed at the rate of \$35 per locate during Public Works business hours.))

(14) HYDRANT FIRE FLOW TESTS.

(A)HYDRANT FIRE FLOW TESTS CONDUCTED BY AN AUTHORIZED AGENT FOR A CONTRACTOR/DEVELOPER WILL BE BILLED AT A RATE OF \$300 FOR EACH SPECIFIED LOCATION. THIS FEE COVERS WATER USAGE AND CITY STAFF SUPPORT DURING THE MAINTENANCE SHOP REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS. FOR HYDRANT FLOW TEST OUTSIDE OF SHOP REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS, A FLAT RATE WILL BE CHARGED AT ONE AND ONE-HALF (1.5) TIMES THE RATE FOR TESTS CONDUCTED DURING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS.

B. Construction. The following fees and charges are established pursuant to Chapter 210, Building Construction, of the City Code:

(1) Engineering review and construction inspection services. In-house engineering review: ((\$65)) \$100 per hour; outsourced engineering review: cost plus 15%; in-house inspections: ((\$50)) \$75 per hour; outsourced inspections: cost plus 15%.

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(5) ((Private fire hydrant testing: \$75 per hydrant.

(6))) Erosion and sediment control.

(a) Erosion and sediment control agreement WHERE PLANS ARE PREPARED BUT NOT SUBMITTED FOR REVIEW: ((\$125))150 (GREATER THAN 500 SQUARE FEET AND less than or equal to 5,000 square feet) ((or less than or equal to 100 cubic yards of disturbed area)).

(b) STANDARD EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL AGREEMENT WHERE EROSION AND SEDIMENT PLANS FOR ARE SUBMITTED FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL: \$250 (GREATER THAN 5,000 SQUARE FEET TO LESS THAN 30,000 SQUARE FEET OF DISTURBED AREA).

(C) Erosion and sediment grading ((permit)) AGREEMENT: shall be a minimum of \$((200))400 or ((4%))5% of the approved erosion and sediment control construction cost estimate, whichever is greater.

((c) Standard erosion control plan: \$200.))

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D. Planning and zoning. The following fees, rates and charges are established pursuant to Chapter 235, Development Code, and Chapter 475, Subdivision of Land, of the City Code:

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(4) Planning Commission review.

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(f) Review of planned unit developments, mixed-use developments, and integrated business district: \$500, plus \$50 per residential lot; \$500, plus \$100 per commercial or industrial acre.

(G) TRAFFIC IMPACT ANALYSIS REVIEW FEE: \$500

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E. Stormwater management. The permit fee established pursuant to Chapter 465, Stormwater Management, of the City Code shall be a minimum of ((\$200)) \$400 or ((4%)) 5% of construction cost, whichever is greater.

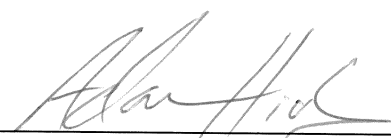
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SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABERDEEN, that this Ordinance shall become effective at the expiration of twenty (20) calendar days following adoption.

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABERDEEN



Patrick L. McGrady, Mayor



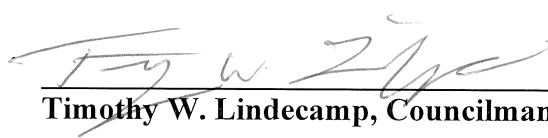
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Sandra J. Landbeck, Councilwoman



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ATTEST:

SEAL:



Monica A. Correll, City Clerk

Date October 12, 2020