



ORDINANCE

AMENDING THE FEE SCHEDULE OF THE CITY BUILDING REGULATIONS

CITY OF NASHUA

In the Year Two Thousand and Eighteen

The City of Nashua ordains that Part II “General Legislation”, Chapter 105 “Building Construction”, Article VI “Fees”, Section 105-22 “Fee Schedule” of the Nashua Revised Ordinances, as amended, be hereby further amended by deleting the struck-through language and adding the new underlined language as follows:

“§ 105-22. Fee Schedule.

- A. Building permit fee schedule.
- (1) A nonrefundable application processing fee shall be paid at the time of filing of any application:
 - (a) Building permit: \$35.
 - (2) New buildings, additions, alterations, mobile homes, in-ground swimming pools, basements, connecting structures, future expansion areas and areas capable of being used as living or occupiable space shall be included to calculate aggregate floor area:
 - (a) Residential – 1 & 2 Family and Townhouses (per square foot of area affected): \$0.15.
 - (b) Commercial – including Multi-Family (per square foot of area affected): \$0.25.
 - (3) Structures designed and certified to LEED standards shall be eligible for the following reduction in their building permit fee:
 - (a) LEED standard certification: 5%.
 - (b) LEED silver certification: 10%.
 - (c) LEED gold certification: 15%.
 - (d) LEED platinum certification: 20%.

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- (4) Alterations, repairs, fire damage:
 - (a) Residential (per square foot of area affected): \$0.10.
 - (b) Commercial (per square foot of area affected): \$0.15.
- (5) Additional plan review for minor modifications of previously approved drawings, including commercial tenant fit-up:
 - (a) Residential (per square foot of area affected): \$0.05.
 - (b) Commercial (per square foot of area affected): \$0.10.
 - (c) When, in the Building Official's opinion, the nature of the work is not related to floor area, the permit fee may be based on a construction cost of \$0.60 per \$100.
- (6) Moving a building from lot to lot: \$180.
- (7) Demolition — the total removal and disposal of a structure:
 - (a) Up to 1,000 square feet: \$30.
 - (b) Excess beyond 1,000 square feet (fee for each additional 100 square feet or part thereof of aggregate floor area): \$3.
- (8) Certificate of Occupancy — existing space/owner change: \$50.
- (9) Special construction — not including signs, but including and not limited to membrane structures, temporary structures, canopies and awnings, pedestrian walkways, radio and television towers, radio and television antennas, elevators, commercial solar energy systems, commercial wind energy systems and commercial (other than asphalt roofing shingles) re-roofing:
 - (a) Fee shall be based on a construction or installation cost of \$0.60 per \$100.
- (10) Retaining walls over four feet in height above grade:
 - (a) Residential: minimum \$25 or \$0.10 per linear foot (whichever is greater).
 - (b) Commercial: minimum \$50 or \$0.25 per linear foot (whichever is greater).
- (11) Minimum fee for miscellaneous equipment (each), excluding the application fee, where not otherwise provided for by this section [for example: residential antennas, small sheds (less than 200 square feet), or construction trailers] or as deemed appropriate by the Building Official or his or her designee:
 - (a) Residential: \$20.
 - (b) Commercial: \$45.

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- (12) Re-inspection of the same work due to the failure to pass an initial inspection or the unavailability of the premises at the time of initial inspection: \$75.
- (13) Phased construction (foundation permits, interior demolition permits or shell permits): Phased construction shall be charged a 25% surcharge on the original permit fee for each upgrade phase.
- (14) Surcharge for permits issued after construction started without a permit: 100% of applicable fee, but not to exceed \$275 Residential / \$500 Commercial.
- (15) Expedite-service fee for special processing and after-hours service: \$75 per hour per staff member, with a minimum of \$200 for weekends or time not contiguous with normal work hours.

B. Mechanical permit fee schedule.

- (1) Residential mechanical (1 & 2 Family and Townhouses).
 - (a) Nonrefundable application processing fee: \$30.
 - (b) Delivery system:
 - [1] Gas supply piping (base fee downstream of meter or regulator set; test witnessed) (each): 0-99k BTU - \$25; 100-199k BTU - \$40; 200k BTU and above - \$50 plus \$0.22 per 1,000 BTU.
 - [2] Gas supply outlets (each branch): \$6.50.
 - [3] Installation of Fuel oil storage tanks less than 499 gallons, fuel oil (each): \$15.
 - (c) Equipment:
 - [1] Furnace: \$40.
 - [2] Water Heater: \$15.
 - [3] Refrigeration system piping, coil, or condensing unit: \$15.
 - [4] Boiler, water or steam: \$40.
 - [5] Boiler, water or steam, with domestic hot-water generator: \$45.
 - [6] Burner, conversion or replacement, oil or gas: \$15.
 - [7] Heater, vented or unvented, floor, wall, room or gas log (each): \$25.
 - [8] Dryer, exhaust or ventilation fan (each): \$6.
 - [9] Baseboard loop (each): \$10.
 - (d) Wood or pellet stove and associated chimney: \$40.

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- (e) Factory-built fireplace and associated chimney, gas or solid fuel (each): \$40.
 - (f) Masonry fireplace and associated chimney: \$75.
 - (g) Manufactured Chimney: \$30.
 - (h) Minimum fee for miscellaneous equipment (each), excluding the application fee, where not otherwise provided for by this section: \$35.
 - (i) Re-inspection of the same work due to the failure to pass an initial inspection or the unavailability of the premises at the time of initial inspection: \$75.
 - (j) Surcharge for permits issued after construction started without a permit: 100% of applicable fee, but not to exceed \$275.
- (2) Commercial mechanical (including Multi-Family).
- (a) Nonrefundable application processing fee: \$30.
 - (b) Delivery system:
 - [1] Gas pipe: 0-100k BTU - \$50; over 100k - \$50 plus \$0.25 per 1,000 BTU.
 - [2] Fuel oil pipe (per 1,000 BTU): \$0.25.
 - [3] Installation of Fuel oil storage tanks less than 499 gallons, fuel oil (each): \$15.
 - (c) Equipment:
 - [1] Furnace: \$50.
 - [2] Water Heater: \$20.
 - [3] Boiler: \$55.
 - [4] Single-package (includes rooftops) air handlers: \$25.
 - [5] Chiller, evaporator, condenser or cooling tower (each): \$25.
 - [6] Duct work (per 10 square feet of area served): \$0.040 (minimum \$25).
 - [7] Fire and smoke dampers: \$8.
 - (d) Chimney (masonry or metal): \$75.
 - (e) Vented unit heater: \$40.
 - (f) Fans: \$25.

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- (g) Kitchen exhaust systems:
 - [1] Hoods (each): \$75.
 - [2] Fans associated with hoods — replacement (each): \$10.
- (h) Minimum fee for miscellaneous equipment (each), excluding the application fee, where not otherwise provided for by this section: \$35.
- (i) Re-inspection of the same work due to the failure to pass an initial inspection or the unavailability of the premises at the time of initial inspection: \$75.
- (j) Surcharge for permits issued after construction started without a permit: 100% of applicable fee, but not to exceed \$500.

C. Electrical permit fee schedule.

(1) Residential electrical (1 & 2 Family and Townhouses).

- (a) Nonrefundable application processing fee: \$30.

Note: If the items in Subsection C(2) through (6) are included with any other work listed in those sections, there is no additional fee. (Example: if doing new construction, there is no charge for the house meter.) The higher price will prevail.

- (b) New construction, additions, renovations (per square feet of habitable area): \$0.75.
 - [1] Service entrance (new dwelling only): \$30.
- (c) House meter: \$50.
- (d) Service change:
 - [1] Up to two units: \$50.
 - [2] Each additional unit: \$10.
- (e) Adding subpanel(s) (each): \$25.
- (f) Adding or relocating meter(s): \$50.
- (g) Pools (in-ground): \$50.
- (h) Temporary service (each): \$45.
- (i) Minimum fee for miscellaneous equipment (each), excluding the application fee, where not otherwise provided for by this section: \$35.

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- (j) Re-inspection of the same work due to the failure to pass an initial inspection or the unavailability of the premises at the time of initial inspection: \$75.
- (k) Surcharge for permits issued after construction started without a permit: 100% of applicable fee, but not to exceed \$275.
- (2) Commercial electrical (including Multi-Family).
 - (a) Nonrefundable application processing fee: \$30.
 - (b) Electrical service entrance and service change (per amp): \$0.40.
 - (c) Temporary service (each): \$45.
 - (d) Panels and subpanels (each): \$25.
 - (e) Outlets:
 - [1] For switches, receptacles, and fire and smoke detectors (each): \$0.95.
 - [2] For lighting and lighting fixtures, except as otherwise provided (each four feet of continuous fluorescent lighting shall be deemed a separate lighting fixture) (each): \$0.95.
 - [3] For ranges, dryers, and similar heating devices (each): \$8.
 - [4] For high-intensity lighting and fixtures (each) (250 watt and above): \$10.
 - (f) Fixed multi-outlet receptacle assemblies (for each six feet): \$6.
 - (g) Track lighting (each 10 feet): \$6.
 - (h) Motor control centers (each), automatic transfer switches (each), wiring of HVAC units (per unit): \$32.
 - (i) Water heaters (each): \$12.
 - (j) Electric baseboard heat (per unit): \$8.
 - (k) Buss ducts (each section): \$10.
 - (l) Transformers, generators, motors, x-ray machines (each): \$22.
 - (m) Paging and sound systems:
 - [1] Per speaker: \$3.
 - [2] Per console: \$22.
 - (n) Signs (each): \$32.

- (o) Minimum fee for miscellaneous equipment (each), excluding the application fee, where not otherwise provided for by this section: \$35.
- (p) Re-inspection of the same work due to the failure to pass an initial inspection or the unavailability of the premises at the time of initial inspection: \$75.
- (q) Surcharge for permits issued after construction started without a permit: 100% of applicable fee, but not to exceed \$500.
- (r) Annual permit fee: \$250.
 - [1] In lieu of an individual permit for each alteration to an already approved electrical installation, the Code Official shall issue an annual permit, upon application therefor, to any person, firm or corporation regularly employing one or more certified electricians in the building, structure or on the premises owned or operated by the applicant for the permit.
 - [2] Annual records. The person to whom an annual permit is issued shall keep a detailed record of all alterations to an approved electrical installation made under such annual permit, and such records shall be accessible to the Code Official at all times or shall be filed with the Code Official as designated.

D. Plumbing permit fee schedule.

- (1) Residential plumbing (1 & 2 Family & Townhouses).
 - (a) Nonrefundable application processing fee: \$30.
 - (b) Per fixture (tub, shower, sink, water closet, lavatory, dishwasher, outside faucet, clothes-washing machine, backflow preventer, etc.): \$7.50.
 - (c) Irrigation system (includes backflow preventer): \$12.
 - (d) Pumps and ejectors (each): \$15.
 - (e) Water heaters (each): \$15.
 - (f) Water pipes (per 100 feet or part thereof): \$15.
 - (g) Sanitary sewer connection: \$15.
 - (h) Drainage, waste and vent pipes: (per 100 feet or part thereof): \$15.
 - (i) Minimum fee for miscellaneous equipment (each), excluding the application fee, where not otherwise provided for by this section: \$35.

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- (j) Re-inspection of the same work due to the failure to pass an initial inspection or the unavailability of the premises at the time of initial inspection: \$75.
 - (k) Surcharge for permits issued after construction started without a permit: 100% of applicable fee, but not to exceed \$275.
- (2) Commercial plumbing (including Multi-Family).
- (a) Nonrefundable application processing fee: \$30.
 - (b) Per fixture (tub, shower, sink, water closet, lavatory, floor drain, drinking fountain, urinal, dishwasher, garbage grinder, outside faucet, clothes-washing machine, washdown station, etc.): \$8.
 - (c) Pumps and ejectors (each): \$30.
 - (d) Grease interceptor: \$25.
 - (e) Water heaters (each): \$18.
 - (f) Irrigation system (includes backflow preventer): \$15.
 - (g) Backflow preventer (each):
 - [1] Atmospheric vacuum breakers: \$14.
 - [2] Pressure vacuum breakers: \$14.
 - [3] Dual check valve: \$14.
 - [4] Reduced-pressure principle: \$14.
 - (h) Water pipes: (per 100 feet or part thereof): \$15.
 - (i) Sanitary sewer connection: \$15.
 - (j) Drainage, waste and vent pipes: (per 100 feet or part thereof): \$15.
 - (k) Storm (drain) sewer connection: \$15.
 - (l) Storm piping: (per 100 feet or part thereof): \$15.
 - (m) Roof drains (each): \$15.
 - (n) Minimum fee for miscellaneous equipment (each), excluding the application fee, where not otherwise provided for by this section: \$35.

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- (o) Re-inspection of the same work due to the failure to pass an initial inspection or the unavailability of the premises at the time of initial inspection: \$75.
- (p) Surcharge for permits issued after construction started without a permit: 100% of applicable fee, but not to exceed \$500.”

All other ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

This ordinance shall become effective 30 days after passage.

PASSED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN – JUNE 12, 2018
APPROVED BY THE MAYOR – JUNE 13, 2018
ATTEST: PATRICIA D. PIECUCH, CITY CLERK