

ORDINANCE NO. C-20-

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 9, BUILDINGS AND CONSTRUCTION, ARTICLE II, PERMITS AND INSPECTIONS, DIVISION 2, FEES, SECTION 9-47, COMPUTATION FOR WORK WITHOUT PERMIT, SECTION 9-48, GENERAL PERMIT FEES, DELETING EXISTING SECTIONS 9-49 THROUGH 9-51, RENUMBERING AND AMENDING SECTION 9-52, LANDSCAPING AND TREE REMOVAL PERMIT FEES, RENUMBERING SECTION 9-53, FIRE SAFETY FEE SCHEDULE AND SECTIONS 9-54 THROUGH 9-70, RESERVED OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA BY REVISING BUILDING SERVICES PERMIT FEES AND FEES FOR SERVICES RELATED TO LAND DEVELOPMENT AND PERMITTING; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCE PROVISIONS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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WHEREAS, the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, contains fees for development review, permitting and other services to cover the costs of implementing the regulations contained therein; and

WHEREAS, the city administration commissioned a fee study to review the structure of fees associated with land development and permit review; and

WHEREAS, fees were reviewed to determine a more efficient, effective and transparent way to assess fees and to better reflect actual costs; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to align revenues to the incurred costs for review, a modification to the fees assessed for such services is warranted; and

WHEREAS, the amendments set forth below are necessary to accomplish the above objectives.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA:

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**SECTION 1.** That Chapter 9, Buildings and Construction, Article II. - Permits and Inspections; Division 2. - Fees; Section 9-47. - Computation for Work Without Permit, of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, is hereby amended as follows:

**Sec. 9-47. - Computation for Work Without Permit.**

- (a) Permit fees shall be in accordance with the schedules enumerated in this division, except where work without a permit is in progress or complete; in such cases, the following schedule shall apply to all work without permits:
  - (1) Where it can or cannot be determined that the current owner is responsible, ~~four (4)~~ two (2) times the amount(s) shown in the regular schedules in this division.
  - (2) ~~Where it cannot be established that current owner is responsible, double the amount(s) shown on the schedules in this division.~~
- (b) All fees in paragraph (a) above shall apply unless the owner or his/her authorized agent can produce satisfactory evidence to the ~~Director of the Sustainable Development Department~~ Building Official or his/her designated representative that the work was performed prior to his/her ownership; in such case, the double fee amount ~~will~~ shall not apply.
- (c) Except for emergency repairs expressly allowed in the Florida Building Code and Emergency Change Outs, a fee two times the amount as specified in this section shall be paid. The payment of such fee shall not relieve any person, firm or corporation from fully complying with all of the requirements of all applicable regulations and codes, nor shall it relieve them from being subject to any of the penalties therein. The Building Official or his/her designated representative shall have the discretion to adjust such fee to normal charges if acceptable extenuating circumstances are presented.

**SECTION 2.** That Chapter 9, Buildings and Construction, Article II. - Permits and Inspections; Division 2. - Fees; Section 9-48. - General Permit Fees, of the Code of Ordinance for the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, is hereby amended as follows:

**Sec. 9-48. - General permit fees.**

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- (a) General permit fees shall be in accordance with the following schedule of rates. Other fees, as referenced throughout this division are also applicable before, during and after permit issuance. If the Building Official questions the cost of construction attested to and believes it does not accurately reflect the cost of construction for the scope of work covered by the permit, he or she may request and utilize a copy of the signed and executed contract for work to be completed under requested permit; apply the values in the most current edition of the RS Means Construction Valuation system; Building Construction Cost Data or other relevant information, at the Building Official's discretion.
- (b) Definitions. Unless otherwise expressly stated in the Florida Building Code, the following words and terms shall have the following meanings.
- (1) Master permit means a permit that has associated trade permit(s) in order to complete the scope of work. A master permit's total estimated construction cost (including labor and materials) shall include the construction costs of any associated trade permits.
  - (2) Private provider means a person who can provide alternate plan review and inspection services under Section 553.791, Florida Statutes, and is licensed as an engineer under Chapter 471, Florida Statute or as an architect under Chapter 481, Florida Statutes, as amended.
  - (3) Stand-alone permit means a permit where a master permit is not required.
  - (4) Trade permit means a subsidiary electrical, mechanical, plumbing or structural permit that is associated with a master permit.
- (c) Permit and Fee Schedule.
- (1) *Inspections of vacant, boarded-up structures or buildings.*  
  
Residential or commercial buildings (fee may be charged no more than once every thirty (30) days) ..... \$79.00
  - (2) *Presale inspection, after-hours inspection, expedited plan review service, forty-year building safety inspection program, business tax inspections and Go Solar - Rooftop Photovoltaic Solar System, permit by affidavit inspection only, permit*

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*by affidavit plan review and inspection, and premium fee (engineering, landscape, and zoning).*

	Minimum/Base Fee	Value charge (Percent of Construction Value)
a. Presale, inspection, after-hours inspection and business tax inspections	\$105 per hour	
b. Expedited plan review service	\$105.00 per hour	
c. Forty-Year Building safety inspection program	\$300.00 flat fee	
d. Go SOLAR Rooftop Photovoltaic Solar System	\$552.00 Permit Fee \$52.00 Re-inspection Fee including Credit Card Convenience Fee Flat fee	
Permit by affidavit (Provider Completes) Inspection	\$105.00	1.10%
Permit by affidavit (Provider Completes) Plan Review and Inspection	\$105.00	0.8 <u>9</u> 5%
Premium Fee (Engineering, Landscaping, Zoning Plan Review and Inspection)	\$88.00	<del>0.31%</del> <u>0.06%</u>

(3) ~~Permit and fee schedule.~~

- a. ~~Replacement permit card ..... \$10.00~~
- b. ~~Board of rules and appeals fee. All permits shall be accompanied by a fee assessed on construction value as per the most current Broward County Commission Resolution.~~
- c. ~~Debris fee. Per City Ordinance Section 24-100 and Section 24-101, as may be amended.~~

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- d. ~~A building permit surcharge fee for the department of Community Affairs/Florida Building Commission shall be assessed pursuant to F.S. § 553.721, as may be amended.~~
- e. ~~Meetings requested by architects, engineers and owner builders prior to plan review and issuance of permits and meetings requested after permit issuance shall have a fee of seventy-five dollar (\$75.00) minimum per hour per discipline.~~
- f. ~~Construction lien law. Per F.S. § 713.135(4) a fee will be assessed for each permit issued to process a construction lien law statement to each property owner.~~
- g. ~~Reinspection. All permit fees shall include initial required inspections. If an inspector, upon a requested inspection, finds the work does not conform to or comply with the approved plans or comply with the provisions of the state law, building code, or City Code of Ordinances, he or she shall provide a written notice indicating the corrections required. After corrections have been made, a reinspection fee shall be paid and a reinspection of work requested.~~

~~Reinspection (All disciplines) ..... \$75.00~~

~~The payment for reinspection fees shall be made before any further permits will be issued to the person owing same. No further inspections will be made until all outstanding reinspection fees have been paid.~~

- h. ~~Change of contractor ..... \$105.00~~
- i. ~~Certificate of occupancy ..... \$405.00~~
  - 1. ~~Partial certificate of occupancy ..... \$405.00~~
  - 2. ~~Extension of partial certificate of occupancy ..... \$405.00~~
  - 3. ~~Temporary certificate of occupancy ..... \$405.00~~

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- 4. ~~Extension of temporary certificate of occupancy ..... \$105.00~~
- 5. ~~Certificate of completion ..... \$105.00~~
- j. ~~Permit renewal. When an active permit is renewed prior to expiration, with no change in plans, the permit fee shall be fifty (50) percent of the original fee. After permit has expired full permit fees will be incurred.~~
- k. ~~Property records request and requests for data reports per F.S. § 119.07.~~
  - 1. ~~Longer than fifteen (15) minutes actual cost of labor and overhead associated with duplication and research.~~
  - 2. ~~Copies of records and plan reproduction from microfiche, per sheet ..... \$2.00~~
  - 3. ~~Single side per page ..... \$0.15~~
  - 4. ~~Double side copies per page ..... \$0.20~~
  - 5. ~~True copies per page ..... \$1.00~~
- l. ~~Review of replacement plans, re-review of initial plans, revised plans, and shop drawings:~~

~~Minimum fee per hour ..... \$105.00~~
- m. ~~Permit fees:~~

~~Minimum permit fee ..... \$105.00~~

~~*Exception:* At no time shall the permit fee exceed fifty (50) percent of the cost of the total material and labor required to complete the job. Proof of actual cost of material and labor shall be submitted to the building official for this exception to be granted.~~

  - 1. ~~All new construction, additions, alterations and repairs.: ..... \$105.00~~

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~~plus 1.35 percent construction value.~~

2. ~~Awnings and canopies ..... \$405.00~~

~~plus 1.35 percent construction value~~

3. ~~Demolition ..... \$105.00~~

~~plus 1.35 percent of construction value~~

4. ~~Docks ..... \$105.00~~

~~plus 1.35 percent of construction value~~

~~Piling:~~

~~Dolphin pile ..... \$105.00~~

~~plus 1.35 percent of construction value~~

5. ~~Fences, minimum fee ..... \$105.00~~

~~plus 0.60 per linear foot~~

6. ~~Flag poles.~~

~~Not exceeding twenty (20) feet above grade, when located on property with a residential use as defined by Chapter 47 of the Code ..... No fee~~

~~Any person who has paid a fee for installation of a flag pole which is exempt from the permit fee as provided for in this section may apply for and receive a refund of the permit fee. Nonresidential will require a payment of \$105.00 plus the percent of construction value.~~

7. ~~Fuel/oil tanks.~~

~~Removal of fuel tanks, per tank ..... \$105.00~~

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8. ~~Windows, doors, curtain walls, and security bars.~~  
~~Glass windows, doors, curtain walls, security bars, installation of exterior operable windows and exterior sliding glass doors in new buildings or additions exceeding two (2) stories in height and the installations, alterations and repair of such windows and doors in existing buildings of any height ..... \$105.00~~  
  
~~plus 1.35 percent of construction value~~
9. ~~House moving:~~  
  
~~House moved into city or moved to another location within city ..... \$320.00~~  
  
~~House moved on same lot ..... \$320.00~~  
  
~~House moved out of city ..... \$220.00~~
10. ~~Paving/resurfacing ..... \$105.00~~  
  
~~plus 1.35 percent of construction value~~
11. ~~Roof coverings ..... \$105.00~~  
  
~~plus 1.35 percent of construction value~~
12. ~~Seawalls ..... \$105.00~~  
  
~~plus 1.35 percent of construction value~~
13. ~~Shutters ..... \$105.00~~  
  
~~plus 1.35 percent of construction value~~
14. ~~Signs ..... \$105.00~~  
  
~~plus 1.35 percent of construction value~~

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~~15. Pools, pool decks, spas and fountains:~~

~~i. Pools ..... \$105.00~~

~~plus 1.35 percent of construction value~~

~~16. Tents thirty-day maximum ..... \$105.00~~

~~plus 1.35 percent of construction value~~

~~17. Trailer set-up minimum fee ..... \$105.00~~

~~plus 1.35 percent of construction value~~

- (3) Minimum permit fee. Any permit regardless of construction cost shall be assessed a minimum fee of one hundred and five dollars (\$105.00), unless otherwise specified in this section.
- (4) Master permit. Any master permit shall be assessed the greater of one hundred and five dollars (\$105.00) or 1.25 percent (1.25%) of a project's total estimated construction cost (including labor and materials), plus any other applicable fees in accordance with this section.
- (5) Stand-alone permit. Any stand-alone permit shall be assessed the greater of one hundred and five dollars (\$105.00) or 1.25 percent (1.25%) of the estimated construction cost (including labor and materials), plus any other applicable fees in accordance with this section.
- (6) Any permit for Outdoor Dining, Sidewalk Café, Temporary Construction Barrier and thirty (30) day Temporary for Test shall be assessed the minimum permit fee of one hundred five dollars (\$105.00), plus any other applicable fees in accordance with this section.
- (7) Trade permit. Any trade permit shall be assessed the greater of one hundred and five dollars (\$105.00) or 1.25 percent (1.25%) of the estimated construction cost (including labor and materials), plus any other applicable fees

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- in accordance with this section, if such construction costs are not already included in a master permit associated with the trade permit.
- (8) A Premium Fee shall be assessed on all permits that include more than one trade. The fee shall be the greater of eighty-eight dollars (\$88.00) or .06 percent (0.06%) of a project's total estimated construction cost (including labor and materials).
- (9) At time of application submittal, up to fifty percent (50%) of the fee assessed shall be required. Any remaining fees shall be required at time of permit issuance.
- (10) Under special circumstances as approved by the City Commission or City Manager, the collection of permit fees excluding impact fees and fees associated with other agencies, may be waived until issuance of permit.
- (11) Reexamination. Any reexamination of initial plans or review of replacement plans shall be assessed a fee of one hundred and five dollars (\$105.00) per hour or twenty-six dollars and twenty-five cents (\$26.25) per 15-minute increment thereof.
- (12) Plan revision. Any review of revised plans shall be assessed a fee of one hundred and five dollars (\$105.00) per hour or twenty-six dollars and twenty-five cents (\$26.25) per 15-minute increment thereof.
- (13) Shop drawings. Any review of shop drawings shall be assessed a fee of one hundred and five dollars (\$105.00) per discipline.
- (14) Expedited plan review service shall be assessed a fee above the normal assessed fees of one hundred and five dollars (\$105.00) per hour or twenty-six dollars and twenty-five cents (\$26.25) per 15-minute increments thereof per discipline.
- (15) Permit renewal. Any permit may be extended by the Building Official if requested prior to the permit expiration date. When an active permit is renewed prior to expiration with no change in plans, the fee shall be fifty percent (50%) of the fee assessed at time of application submittal. Once the permit has expired, the fee shall be one hundred percent (100%) of the fee assessed at time of application submittal. Permit life is automatically extended with each

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approved inspection for the permit or any related master or sub permits, as per Chapter 1 of the Broward County edition of the Florida Building Code.

(16) Surcharges. For all permits issued, the following surcharges will be collected.

- a. State of Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation (DBPR). A building permit surcharge fee for the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to administer the Florida Building Code shall be assessed pursuant to Section 553.721, Florida Statutes, as may be amended. The minimum amount collected on any permit issued shall be two dollars (\$2.00).
- b. State of Florida Building Code Administrators and Inspectors Fund (BCAI). A building permit surcharge fee for the enforcement of the Florida Building Code shall be assessed pursuant to Section 468.631, Florida Statutes, as may be amended. The minimum amount collected on any permit issued shall be two dollars (\$2.00).
- c. Construction lien law. A fee will be collected in accordance with Section 713.135(4), Florida Statutes for each permit issued to process a construction lien law statement to each property owner, as may be amended.
- d. Board of Rules and Appeals fee. All permits shall be accompanied by a fee assessed on construction value as per the most current Broward County Commission Resolution, as amended.
- e. Debris fee. Per City Code of Ordinances, Section 24-100 and Section 24-101, as may be amended.

(17) Miscellaneous inspection fees.

- a. Inspections of vacant, boarded-up structures or buildings shall be assessed a fee of one hundred and five dollars (\$105.00) per inspection. Inspection fees may be charged no more than once every thirty (30) days.
- b. Presale inspection, after-hours inspection and business tax inspections: one hundred and five dollars (\$105.00) per hour. Weekday inspections shall

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be assessed a minimum fee of two (2) hours. Weekend inspections shall be assessed a minimum fee of three (3) hours.

- c. Forty-year building safety inspection program shall be assessed a flat fee of three hundred dollars (\$300.00).
- d. Reinspection (all disciplines): one hundred and five dollars (\$105.00).

All permit fees shall include initial required inspections. If an inspector, upon a requested inspection, finds the work does not conform to, or comply with the approved plans, or comply with the provisions of Florida law, the Florida Building Code, or the city code of ordinances, the inspector shall provide a written notice indicating the corrections required. If corrections to a failed inspection are not corrected on the first reinspection, then a reinspection fee will be assessed.

- (18) Change of contractor: one hundred and five dollars (\$105.00).
- (19) Certificate of occupancy (including certificate of occupancy, partial certificate of occupancy, extension of partial certificate of occupancy, temporary certificate of occupancy and extension of temporary certificate of occupancy): four hundred and five dollars (\$405.00). An additional four hundred and five dollars (\$405.00) will be charged for each extension or expansion of Temporary or Partial Certificates of Occupancy.
- (20) Certificate of Completion: one hundred and five dollars (\$105.00).
- (21) Property records request per Section 119.07, Florida Statutes. Records research, including from a digital source, shall be assessed a fee of twenty dollars (\$20.00) per hour or five dollars (\$5.00) per 15-minute increment thereof and does not include reproduction of records. Reproduction of records shall be charged by page as follows:
  - a. 8.5 x 11: \$0.15
  - b. 8 x 14: \$0.50
  - c. 11 x 17: \$1.00

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- d. 24 x 36: \$3.00
- e. 36 x 48: \$4.00
- f. Microfiche copy: \$2.00
- g. True copy: \$1
- h. USB flash drive to scan files without printing: \$3.00

SECTION 3. That Chapter 9, Buildings and Construction, Article II. – Permits and Inspections; Division 2. – Fees; Section 9-49. - Electrical Permit Fees, of the Code of Ordinance for the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, is hereby deleted:

**~~Sec. 9-49. – Electrical permit fees.~~**

~~When an application for an electrical permit is approved and before a permit is issued, a fee shall be paid based on the following schedule.~~

~~Minimum fee ..... \$105.00~~

~~*Exception:* At no time shall the permit fee exceed fifty (50) percent of the cost of material and labor required to complete the job. Proof of actual cost of material and labor shall be submitted to the building official for this exception to be granted.~~

- ~~(1) Air conditioning ..... 1.35 percent of construction value or no less than \$105.00~~
- ~~(2) Security/life safety (burglar alarm, fire alarm, access system) ..... \$105.00  
plus 0.90 percent of construction value~~
- ~~(3) Energy management system ..... \$105.00  
plus 0.90 percent of construction value~~
- ~~(4) Final, thirty-day temporary (power for testing new buildings) ..... \$105.00~~

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- ~~plus 0.90 percent of construction value~~
- (5) ~~Generators each KVA up to five (5) ..... \$105.00~~  
~~plus 0.90 percent of construction value~~
- (6) ~~Lighting ..... \$105.00~~  
~~plus 0.90 percent of construction value~~
- (7) ~~Motors ..... \$105.00~~  
~~plus 0.90 percent of construction value~~
- (8) ~~Outlets ..... \$105.00~~  
~~plus 0.90 percent of construction value~~
- (9) ~~Panels ..... \$105.00~~  
~~plus 0.90 percent of construction value~~
- (10) ~~Electric Services ..... \$105.00~~  
~~plus 0.90 percent of construction value~~
- ~~a. Temporary service for construction~~
- ~~b. New service two hundred (200) amps or less~~  
~~Each additional one hundred (100) amps thereafter~~
- ~~c. Service changes two hundred (200) amps or less~~
- ~~d. Each additional one hundred (100) amps thereafter~~
- ~~e. Temporary power for testing (thirty-day)~~
- ~~f. Service repair~~

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- g. ~~Service inspection to restore power~~
- (11) ~~Pools spas and fountains:~~
  - a. ~~Residential (includes light, pump, time clock, transformer) ..... \$105.00~~  
~~plus 0.90 percent of construction value~~
  - b. ~~Commercial (includes injectors and control wiring) ..... \$105.00~~  
~~plus 0.90 percent of construction value~~
  - c. ~~Demolition ..... \$105.00~~
- (12) ~~Low voltage systems ..... \$105.00~~  
~~plus 0.90 percent of construction value~~
- (13) ~~Boat dock power pedestal, each ..... \$105.00~~
- (14) ~~Transformers replacement ..... \$105.00~~  
~~plus 0.90 percent of construction value~~
- (15) ~~Central vacuum system ..... \$105.00~~  
~~plus 0.90 percent of construction value~~
- (16) ~~Interior demolition ..... \$105.00~~
- (17) ~~Miscellaneous repair ..... \$105.00~~
- (18) ~~Solar electric photo voltaic system (PV system)~~
  - ~~Single family residential ..... \$105.00~~
  - ~~Multifamily and commercial ..... \$105.00~~

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~~plus 0.90 percent of construction value~~

~~(19) Signs ..... \$105.00~~

~~plus 0.90 percent of construction value~~

SECTION 4. That Chapter 9, Buildings and Construction, Article II. – Permits and Inspections; Division 2. – Fees; Section 9-50. – Plumbing Permit Fees, of the Code of Ordinance for the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, is hereby deleted:

**Sec. 9-50. - Plumbing permit fees.**

~~When application for a plumbing permit is approved and before a permit is issued, a fee shall be paid based on the following schedule.~~

~~Minimum fee ..... \$105.00~~

~~plus 2.00 percent of construction value~~

~~At time of application submittal acceptance, the fee will be \$105.00 plus forty (40) percent of the job cost. The remaining sixty (60) percent will be collected at the time of plan review approval.~~

~~*Exception:* At no time shall the permit fee exceed fifty (50) percent of the cost of material and labor required to complete the job. Proof of actual cost of material and labor shall be submitted to the building official for this exception to be granted.~~

~~(1) Boilers/heaters/furnaces ..... \$105.00~~

~~plus 2.00 percent of construction value~~

~~(2) Catch basin(replacement) ..... \$105.00~~

~~plus 2.00 percent of construction value~~

~~(3) Drains ..... \$105.00~~

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- ~~plus 2.00 percent of construction value~~
- (4) ~~Backflow preventer ..... \$105.00~~  
~~plus 2.00 percent of construction value~~
- (5) ~~Fixtures ..... \$105.00~~  
~~plus 2.00 percent of construction value~~
- (6) ~~Gas (including bottled gas) ..... \$105.00~~  
~~plus 2.00 percent of construction value~~
- (7) ~~Lift stations ..... \$105.00~~  
~~plus 2.00 percent of construction value~~
- (8) ~~Manholes (new or replacements) ..... \$105.00~~
- (9) ~~Outlets. Roughing in or plugged outlets for doctor, dentist and hospital sterilizers, autoclaves, autopsy tables and other fixtures, appurtenances or other appliances having water supply or waste outlet or both discharging into traps or safe waste pipes ..... \$105.00~~  
~~plus 2.00 percent of construction value~~
- (10) ~~Piping/repiping (gas, sanitary, etc.) ..... \$105.00~~  
~~plus 2.00 percent of construction value~~
- (11) ~~Collection systems ..... \$105.00~~  
~~plus 2.00 percent of construction value~~
- (12) ~~Sewer or septic tank connections, per each connection or capping ..... \$105.00~~
- (13) ~~Solar heating system and piping ..... \$105.00~~

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- (14)  ~~Pools, spas and fountains ..... \$105.00~~  
 ~~plus 2.00 percent of construction value~~
- (15)  ~~Water heater ..... \$40.00~~
- (16)  ~~Below grade permit ..... \$105.00~~
- (17)  ~~Sprinkler system ..... \$105.00~~  
 ~~plus 2.00 percent of construction value~~
- (18)  ~~Wells ..... \$105.00 each~~
- (19)  ~~Temporary toilet for other than construction sites ..... \$105.00~~  
 ~~plus 2.01 percent of construction value~~
- (20)  ~~Interior demolition ..... \$105.00~~

SECTION 5. That Chapter 9, Buildings and Construction, Article II. – Permits and Inspections; Division 2. – Fees; Section 9-51. - Mechanical Permit Fees, of the Code of Ordinance for the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, is hereby deleted:

**~~Sec. 9-51. – Mechanical permit fees.~~**

~~The fees for air conditioning, refrigeration and ductwork for heating, cooling or ventilation shall be as follows:~~

~~Minimum fee (except for single replacement of window or wall units for purpose of property maintenance) ..... \$105.00~~

~~plus 0.70 percent of construction value~~

~~Exception: At no time shall the permit fee exceed fifty (50) percent of the cost of material and labor required to complete the job. Proof of actual cost of material and labor shall be submitted to the building official for this exception to be granted.~~

- (1)  ~~Air conditioning/heating unit ..... \$1.35~~

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~~percent of construction value or no less than \$105.00~~

(2) ~~Cooling tower ..... \$105.00~~

~~plus 0.70 percent of construction value ..... \$105.00~~

(3) ~~Electric heater ..... \$105.00~~

~~plus 0.70 percent of construction value~~

(4) ~~Duct work ..... \$105.00~~

~~plus 0.70 percent of construction value~~

(5) ~~Exhaust system ..... \$105.00~~

~~plus 0.70 percent of construction value~~

(6) ~~Commercial kitchen hood ..... \$105.00~~

~~plus 0.70 percent of construction value~~

(7) ~~Residential kitchen hood ..... \$105.00~~

~~plus 0.70 percent of construction value~~

(8) ~~Piping: ..... \$105.00~~

~~plus 0.70 percent of construction value~~

(9) ~~Walk-in cooler ..... \$105.00~~

~~plus 0.70 percent of construction value~~

(10) ~~Paint spray booths ..... \$105.00~~

~~plus 0.70 percent of construction value~~

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- (11) ~~Boiler / pressure vessels ..... \$105.00 each~~
- (12) ~~Dryer vent ..... \$105.00~~  
~~plus 0.70 percent of construction value~~
- (13) ~~Fuel tank ..... \$105.00~~  
~~plus 0.70 percent of construction value~~
- (14) ~~Gas leak detection system ..... \$105.00~~  
~~plus 0.70 percent of construction value~~
- (15) ~~Fire suppression ..... \$105.00~~  
~~plus 0.70 percent of construction value~~
- (16) ~~Damper ..... \$105.00~~  
~~plus 0.70 percent of construction value~~
- (17) ~~Pre-fabricated fireplace ..... \$105.00~~  
~~plus 0.70 percent of construction value~~
- (18) ~~Smoke detector ..... \$105.00~~  
~~plus 0.70 percent of construction value~~
- (19) ~~Supply fan ..... \$105.00~~  
~~plus 0.70 percent of construction value~~
- (20) ~~Trash and linen chutes ..... \$105.00~~  
~~plus 0.70 percent of construction value~~

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~~(21) VAV box ..... \$105.00~~

~~plus 0.70 percent of construction value~~

SECTION 6. That Chapter 9, Buildings and Construction, Article II. – Permits and Inspections; Division 2. – Fees; Section 9-52. - Landscaping and Tree Removal Permit Fees, of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, is hereby amended as follows:

**Sec. 9-52. – Landscaping and tree removal permit fees.** **Sec. 9-49. – Landscape and Tree Removal/Relocation Permit Fees.**

When application for a landscaping~~landscape~~ and/or tree removal/relocation permit is approved and before a permit is issued, a fee shall be paid based on the following fee schedule of rates. Other fees, as referenced throughout this division, are also applicable before, during, and after permit issuance.

~~(1) Landscape review and inspection ..... \$90.00~~

~~(2) Tree removal/relocation and inspection:~~

~~Minimum fee (excluding single family) ..... \$170.00~~

~~Tree removal, per tree ..... \$25.00~~

~~(3) Landscape code compliance review and inspection ..... \$90.00~~

~~(4) Landscape reinspection/job check ..... \$45.00~~

<b><u>LANDSCAPE AND TREE REMOVAL/RELOCATION FEE SCHEDULE</u></b>	
<b><u>Permit Type</u></b>	<b><u>Fee</u></b>
<u>PL-AFTER-THE-FACT</u> <u>Applies to tree removal/relocation, includes</u> <u>plan review and inspection</u>	<u>4X permit at \$50</u> <u>per tree removed</u> <u>(4x \$50 =\$200)</u> <u>plus, Flat rate as applicable</u>
<u>PL-CONSTRUCTION (New Tree)</u>	<u>\$250 Flat rate</u> <u>plus, \$50 per tree</u>

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<u>Applies to tree removal/relocation, includes plan review and inspection</u>	
<u>PL-JOBCHECK</u>	<u>\$250</u>
<u>PL-LANDSCAPING</u> <u>This fee includes the initial review and an inspection. Additional reviews prior to obtaining a pass may be subject to an additional PL-MINIMUM fee per review</u>	<u>\$350</u>
<u>PL-MINIMUM</u>	<u>\$150</u>
<u>PL-REINSPECTION</u>	<u>\$250</u>
<u>PL-RENEWT-ODS Applies to Permit Renewal (Includes all other Development Sites) includes plan review and inspection</u>	<u>50% Before the permit expires or 100% After the permit expires plus \$250 Flat rate</u>
<u>PL-RENEWT-SF</u> <u>(Single Family Development Site) includes plan review and inspection</u>	<u>50% Before the permit expires or 100% After the permit expires</u>
<u>PL-REVISE-LI (Landscape Installations)</u> <u>This fee includes initial plan review of revised plan and an inspection. Additional reviews prior to obtaining a pass may be subject to an additional PL- MINIMUM fee per review</u>	<u>\$350</u>
<u>PL-REVISE-TR</u> <u>Applies to tree removal/relocation, plan review and inspection</u> <u>(Includes All Sites other than single family developed sites). Single Family developed sites are subject to PL- MINIMUM fee plus \$50 per tree</u>	<u>\$250 Flat rate</u> <u>plus, any tree removal @ \$50 per tree</u>

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<u>PL-TREE-ODS</u> <u>Applies to tree removal/relocation (Includes All Other Developed Sites) includes plan review and inspection</u>	<u>\$250 Flat fee</u> <u>and \$50 per tree</u>
<u>PL-TREE-SF (Single Family Developed Site)</u> <u>Applies to tree removal/relocation, includes plan review and inspection</u>	<u>\$150</u> <u>Flat rate includes the first 2 trees/ Any additional trees after the first two @ a rate of \$50 per tree</u>

**Sec. 9-530. - Fire safety fee schedule.**

- (a) When application for a building permit or a fire safety permit is approved and before a permit is issued, a fee for fire safety features shall be paid based upon the following schedule. Other fees, as referenced throughout this division, are also applicable before, during and after permit issuance.

(1) *Plans examination.*

- a. Minimum fee (see exception below) .....\$105.00  
plus 0.10 percent of construction value
- b. Plans examination fee, per square foot includes all new construction, additions, alterations, remodeling, renovations, and similar type work requiring a permit (except single-family, duplex, townhouse and parking garages.) .....\$0.0625
- c. Single-family structure (single-family dwelling, duplex, townhouse) .....\$48.13

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- d. Parking garages under fifty (50) feet in height fee, per square foot .....\$0.0065
  - e. Parking garages over fifty (50) feet in height fee, per square foot .....\$0.0175
  - f. Plans examination fee for early warning systems or devices, installed in existing structures and used for the reporting and/or detection of fire or its byproducts .....\$107.43
  - g. Exception to minimum fee household fire warning equipment as defined in NFPA 74, family living units, and those systems previously charged in subsection (a)(1)b., per unit .....\$9.45
  - h. If plans must be reexamined because of major changes or alterations, a reexamination fee equal to fifty (50) percent of the original examination fee shall be charged.
- (2) *New construction inspections.* Fire safety and fire extinguishing apparatus-inspection testing fees for new buildings, additions, alterations and repairs, modifications of occupancy and presale inspection and tests.
- a. Fire standpipe, per test:
    - 1. Minimum fee .....\$211.41
    - 2. Fee per residential unit or per one thousand (1,000) square feet of gross floor area .....\$10.60
  - b. Fire sprinkler system, per test:
    - 1. Minimum fee .....\$271.64
    - 2. Fee per each one thousand (1,000) square feet of gross floor area up to fifty thousand (50,000) square feet .....\$14.79
    - 3. Fee per each one thousand (1,000) square feet of gross floor area in excess of fifty thousand (50,000) square feet .....\$10.60

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- c. Smoke control system testing and inspection, per square foot .....\$0.02
- d. Each automatic fire extinguisher system (excluding sprinkler systems) such as carbon dioxide, dry chemical, etc., per test:
  - 1. Minimum fee .....\$25.19
  - 2. Each ten (10) pounds of extinguishing agent .....\$16.79
  - 3. Halon, each ten (10) pounds of extinguishing agent .....\$10.60
- e. Single-family structure (duplex, townhouse, single-family dwelling) .....\$54.14
- f. Early warning devices or systems installed in existing structures and used for the reporting and detection of fire or its byproducts (per test):
  - 1. Minimum fee (see exception below) .....\$107.43
  - 2. Fee per device .....\$2.16  
  
(Device smoke or heat detectors, manual pull stations, flow switches, tamper switches.)
  - 3. Exception to minimum fee. Household fire warning equipment as defined in NFPA 74, Family living units, and those systems previously charged in subsection (a)(2), per unit .....\$9.45
- g. Permit reinspection fee .....\$75.00

A permit reinspection fee will be assessed on all inspections after the first inspection.

*Reinspection.* All permit fees shall include initial required inspections. If an inspector, upon a requested inspection, finds the work does not conform to or comply with the approved plans or comply with the provisions of the state law, building code, or City Code of Ordinances, he or she shall provide a written notice indicating the corrections required.

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After corrections have been made, a reinspection fee shall be paid and a reinspection of work requested.

The payment for reinspection fees shall be made before any further permits will be issued to the person owing same. No further inspections will be made until all outstanding reinspection fees have been paid.

- h. All other inspections required for a certificate of occupancy shall be charged at the periodic inspection rate, to be paid at time of permit issuance.

(3) *Periodic fire inspection fees (for existing occupancies, structures, or systems).*

a. Fire standpipe system, per test:

- 1. Minimum fee .....\$169.21
- 2. Fee per residential unit or one thousand (1,000) square feet of gross floor area in nonresidential occupancies .....\$8.48

b. Fire sprinkler system, excluding buildings with standpipe systems, per test:

- 1. Minimum fee .....\$217.31
- 2. Fee per each one thousand (1,000) square feet of gross floor area up to fifty thousand (50,000) square feet .....\$11.83
- 3. Fee per each one thousand (1,000) square feet of gross floor area in excess of fifty thousand (50,000) square feet .....\$8.48

c. Occupancies:

- 1. Hotels, apartments, multiple dwelling units (three (3) units or more), regardless of the form of ownership, and boardinghouses renting furnished or unfurnished rooms or apartments: three (3) or more

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rooms, apartments or units, apartment or unit as shown on certificate of occupancy issued by city:

Fifty (50) units or less and first fifty (50) units if entire building complex is more than fifty (50) units, fee per unit .....\$9.45

If building complex has more than fifty (50) units, fifty-one (51) to one hundred (100) units, fee per unit .....\$7.31

If building complex has more than one hundred (100) units, over one hundred (100) units, fee per unit .....\$3.88

2. Restaurants, cafes and public eating places where food is served in connection with or separate from other business. Capacity of:

One (1) to fifteen (15) persons, both inclusive .....\$67.14

Sixteen (16) to fifty (50) persons, both inclusive .....\$104.08

Fifty-one (51) to one hundred ninety-nine (199) persons, both inclusive .....\$144.35

Over one hundred ninety-nine (199) persons .....\$161.14

3. Assembly, educational, lodging or, mercantile and business occupancies, health care, detention and residential board and care occupancies:

Up to two thousand five hundred (2,500) square feet .....\$63.79

Two thousand five hundred one (2,501) square feet to five thousand (5,000) square feet .....\$104.08

Each additional one thousand (1,000) square feet or part thereof .....\$7.39

4. Storage and industrial:

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Up to two thousand five hundred (2,500) square feet .....\$104.08

Two thousand five hundred one (2,501) square feet to five thousand (5,000) square feet .....\$147.69

Each additional one thousand (1,000) square feet or part thereof .....\$10.50

5. Parking garages:

- a. Parking garage without any type of fire protection system (i.e., fire standpipe, fire sprinkler, dry standpipe or any combination) fee calculated, minimum plus square feet.

Minimum fee .....\$83.01

Per one thousand (1,000) square feet .....\$0.63

- b. Parking garage with fire protection system i.e., fire standpipe, fire sprinkler, dry standpipe or any combination) fee calculated, minimum plus square feet.

Minimum fee .....\$371.76

Per one thousand (1,000) square feet .....\$0.74

6. All other occupancies which cannot be classified above, initial inspection .....\$83.91

7. Reinspection fee .....\$42.98

Reinspection fee will be assessed on all inspections after the first inspection.

*Reinspection.* Periodic fire inspection fees shall include initial required inspections. If an inspector, upon a requested inspection, finds the work does not conform to or comply with the approved plans or comply with the provisions of the state law, building code, or City Code of

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Ordinances, he or she shall provide a written notice indicating the corrections required. After corrections have been made, a reinspection fee shall be paid and a reinspection of work requested.

*Exemption:* All occupancies, structures or systems that are charged a periodic fire inspection fee under subparagraphs (a)(3) a., b. or c.1. and c.2. will not be charged an additional fee under subparagraphs (a)(3) c.3., c.4. and c.5.

(4) *Fumigation.*

Single-family and duplex .....\$51.56

Commercial and multifamily dwellings up to two thousand five hundred (2,500) square feet .....\$68.75

For each one thousand (1,000) square feet above two thousand five hundred (2,500) square feet .....\$4.81

Maximum fee shall not exceed .....\$171.88

(5) *Miscellaneous inspections.* The performance of a required inspection at a special event and/or a required inspection that must take place outside of normal inspection hours and/or a required fire watch seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) per inspector per hour (two-hour minimum).

- (b) After the initial periodic fire inspection, all occupancies, structures or systems requiring more than one (1) inspection per year, excluding reinspections, shall be charged fifty (50) percent of the initial inspection fee, but not less than forty-five dollars and seventy-eight cents (\$45.78).
- (c) Occupancy, structure and system classification shall be in accordance with the, current adopted edition of the Florida Fire Prevention Code or any other fire prevention code adopted pursuant to Florida Statutes. Single-family and duplex occupancies are exempt from periodic fire inspections.
- (d) Properties annexed into the City of Fort Lauderdale shall be required to pay inspection fees provided herein after the first year following the date of annexation.

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**Secs. 9-541 – 9.70. – Reserved.**

SECTION 7. That if any clause, section or other part of this Ordinance shall be held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Ordinance shall not be affected thereby, but shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 8. That all ordinance or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 9. That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect on November 6, 2020.

PASSED FIRST READING this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

PASSED SECOND READING this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

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Mayor  
DEAN J. TRANTALIS

ATTEST:

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City Clerk  
JEFFREY A. MODARELLI

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