

RESOLUTION NO. RS-2025-26

(RESOLUTION ADOPTING FEE SCHEDULE FOR CIVIL CITATIONS)

RECITALS

On April 29, 2025, the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland (the "County") adopted the following code governing all fire prevention work performed in Washington County, Maryland, said code being effective July 1, 2025:

the Maryland State Fire Prevention Code (i.e. the *National Fire Protection Association ("NFPA") 101 Life Safety Code*, the *NFPA 1 Fire Code*, with State Amendments) with local amendments (the "County Fire Code").

Pursuant to Maryland Code, Public Safety Article Section 9-701(a), the County may impose civil citations for violations of the County Fire Code and the Code provides for such civil citations. The Code of Public Local Laws of Washington County, Maryland Section 1-112 also provides that the fine for a civil offense shall be established by resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland that the fine for a civil citation issued for a violation set forth below be established as follows:

1. Civil citations will only be issued for the following violations of the above-referenced Codes:

- a. Work started without proper permit (NFPA 1.12);
- b. Stop work order (unlawful continuance) (NFPA 1.7.13); or
- c. Violation of unsafe structure posting (NFPA 1.16.3);

2. Any violation of the above shall be punishable by a fine of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per day. Each day the violation continues shall be deemed a separate offense.

3. In the event a second citation for a violation is issued regarding the same property within two-years from the date of the initial citation, the fine shall increase to Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) per day for each day the property is in violation.

Adopted this 24 day of June, 2025.

Effective the 1st day of July, 2025.

ATTEST:



Dawn L. Marcus, Clerk

Approved as to form
and legal sufficiency:

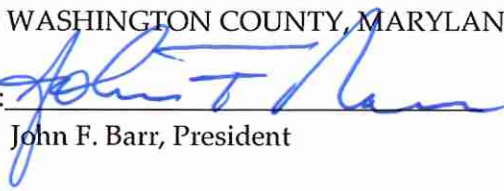


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