ORDINANCE NO. ORD-2025-19

TO ADOPT AND ENACT AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT A FIRE PREVENTION FEE SCHEDULE PROVIDING FOR THE COLLECTION OF FEES IN WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND"

The Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland, adopted Ordinance No. ORD-2025-08 on April 29, 2025, which was recorded at Liber 17, Folio 0780, among the Acts, Ordinances, and Resolutions in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Washington County, Maryland. It was discovered that the referenced Fee Schedule was erroneously omitted from the recording and not attached as stated. Therefore, to cure the omission and evidence the County's true intention, the Curative Ordinance ORD-2025-14 was adopted. The fee schedule that was attached, however, contained an inaccuracy that has since been corrected. Therefore, this amended Curative Ordinance is adopted.

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

The Code provides that fees shall be paid in accordance with a fee schedule established by the applicable governing authority.

A public hearing was held on April 29, 2025, following due notice and advertisement of the Board's intention to adopt said code and fee schedule.

Any public comment was reviewed and carefully considered.

The Board believes it to be in the best interests of the citizens and residents of Washington County, Maryland, that the Fee Schedule providing for the collection of fees for Fire Prevention performed under the Code adopted on April 29, 2025, effective July 1, 2025, be enacted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland, that the attached Fee Schedule be adopted for all fire prevention work performed in Washington County, Maryland under the Maryland State Fire Prevention Code.

Adopted this 29th day of April, 2025. Effective the 1st day of July, 2025.

ATTEST:

Dawn L. Marcus County Clerk

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:

Rosalinda Pascual Deputy County Attorney BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND

John F. Barr, President

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WASHINGTON COUNTY DIVISION OF PERMITS & INSPECTIONS FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU FEE SCHEDULE

(Effective July 1, 2025)

NOTE AND	
NOTE: All fees are non-refundable	
RESIDENTIAL FEES	
	\$.10 sq. ft.
Plan Review	\$140
Storage Tanks	\$140
NON-RESIDENTIAL FEES	
Plan Review	\$.15 sq. ft.
Storage and Industrial Occupancy	\$.10 sq. ft.
Storage Tanks	\$140
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INSPECTION FEES	
Alarm - Residential	\$50
Alarm - Non-Residential	\$150
Sprinklers - Residential	\$50
Sprinklers - Non-Residential	\$150
Outside Storage	\$140
Standpipe	\$125 per system
Fire Pump	\$200 per pump
Water Tank (non-residential only)	\$100 per tank
Extinguishing System (gaseous/chemical)	\$150 per system
Foam System	\$150 per system
Smoke Control System	\$175 per system
Special Events	\$120 per event
Mobile Food Unit	\$120 per unit
Life Safety Final	\$120
Annual Inspection	\$120
Re-Inspection - 1st Trip	\$50
Re-Inspection - 2nd Trip	\$75
Re-Inspection - 3rd Trip	\$100
MISCELLANEOUS FEES	
Life Safety	\$200
FINES AND FORFEITURE FEES	
Investigation Fee	\$200
Violation Fee	Double the fee item in violation
Citation Fee	\$100 - 1st Offense
	\$200 - 2nd Offense