
2019-4 (1ST READING): TO AMEND THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2018, AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2019, BY INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF BUILDING PERMIT FEES FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING A WORKFORCE HOUSING PROGRAM.

Applicant/Purpose: Staff / to amend the FY18-19 budget & increase building permit fees for the purpose of funding a workforce housing program.

Brief:

- City Council has stated Economic Development is a priority for this community.
- City Council has further determined the provision of workforce & affordable housing is a key component of that economic development strategy.
- City Council has approved R2019-5 stating its policy direction on this issue.
- As requested at Council's workshop, the formula has been changed to exempt the 1st \$100k of every permit fee issued from the .25% fee proposed to support this policy.

Issues:

- To fund this proposal staff recommends an additional fee of .25% of any permit fee in excess of the first \$100,00, to be used exclusively to pay the costs of the City's Workforce Housing Program, including any related administrative costs.
- To increase this fee, it is necessary to amend "Exhibit H. Schedule of Building Permit Charges" of the 2018-19 Municipal Budget.

Public Notification: Normal meeting notification.

Alternatives: To modify or deny this ordinance.

Financial Impact:

- Based on FY17-18 permit values, we expect the amended fee to yield approximately \$750,000.
- This figure will vary from year to year based on construction activity.

Manager's Recommendation:

- I recommend 1st reading (1/22/19).
- I recommend 2nd reading and adoption (2/12/19).

Attachment(s): Proposed ordinance.

CITY OF MYRTLE BEACH
COUNTY OF HORRY
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING
JULY 1, 2018, AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2019,
BY INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF BUILDING
PERMIT FEES FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING
A WORKFORCE HOUSING PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, Section 5-13-30(3) of the Code of Laws of South Carolina requires that a municipal council shall act by ordinance to adopt budgets and to levy taxes pursuant to public notice; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 2018-38, the City's Budget for FY 2018-19 was adopted by City Council on June 12, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that Economic Development is a priority for this community; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the provision of workforce and affordable housing is a key component of that economic development strategy; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has approved Resolution R2019-5, entitled, "Resolution Setting Forth the Policy of the City of Myrtle Beach Regarding the Provision of Workforce Housing", to lay out its policy regarding such this determination; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend "Exhibit H. Schedule of Building Permit Charges" of the 2018-19 Municipal Budget in order to provide the funding for this program; and

WHEREAS, the approval of this amendment does not change the millage rates previously enacted or any provision originally approved in Ordinance 2-18-38.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the governing body of the City of Myrtle Beach, in Council duly assembled, and by the authority of the same,

BRENDA BETHUNE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

JENNIFER STANFORD, CITY CLERK

First Reading: 1-22-19

Second Reading: 2-12-19

Exhibit H. Schedule of Building Permit Charges

Construction Permit Fees

(i) Single-family construction; alterations of any structure, single-family or other:

<u>Total Valuation</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Less than \$1,000	No permit required
\$1,000 to \$5,000	\$ 50.00
\$5,000 to \$25,000	\$ 50.00 for the first \$5,000 plus \$ 5.00 for each \$1,000, or fraction thereof, over \$5000.
\$25,000 to \$150,000	\$ 175.00 for the first \$25,000 plus \$ 4.75 for each \$1,000, or fraction thereof, over \$25,000.
\$150,000 to \$250,000	\$ 769.00 for the first \$150,000 plus \$ 4.50 for each \$1,000, or fraction thereof, over \$150,000.
\$250,000 to \$750,000	\$1,244.00 for the first \$250,000 plus \$ 4.25 for each \$1,000, or fraction thereof, over \$250,000.
\$750,000 to \$5,000,000	\$3,619.00 for the first \$750,000 plus \$ 4.00 for each \$1,000, or fraction thereof, over \$750,000.
Over \$5,000,000	\$23,806.00 for the first \$5,000,000 plus \$ 3.00 for each \$1,000, or fraction thereof, over \$5,000,000.

(ii) In addition to the foregoing there shall be a an additional fee of .25% of any permit exceeding \$100,000 which shall be used exclusively to pay the costs of the City's Workforce Housing Program, including any administrative costs related thereto.

(iii) All other permits for new construction:

Permit fees	\$ 0.30 per square foot
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Manufacture Home Permit Fees

Base	\$ 35.00
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Trade Permit Fees

Trade permits are required in addition to the Construction and Manufactured Home permit fees of above.

Mechanical Permit	
\$2,000 and less	\$ 35.00
Over \$2,000	\$35.00 plus \$2.00 for each \$1000, or fraction thereof, over \$2,000.
Plumbing Permit	
Base Fee	\$ 25.00
Per Fixture	\$ 2.50
Sewer	\$ 5.00
Vacuum Breaker	\$ 2.50
Grease Trap	\$ 5.00
Gas Permit	
Base	\$ 25.00
Per Appliance	\$ 2.50
Electrical Permit	
Base	\$ 25.00

1	Temporary Service Pole	\$ 10.00
2	Residential Service	\$ 10.00
3	Commercial Service	\$ 25.00
4	Each Sub-panel	\$ 10.00
5	Per 110 volt outlet	\$ 0.20
6	Per 220/440 volt outlet	\$ 2.00

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8 **Moving of Buildings or Structures**

9 For the moving of any building or structure, the fee shall be One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00).

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11 **Demolition of Buildings or Structures**

12 For the demolition of any building or structure, the fee shall be One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00).

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14 **Re- Inspection Fees**

15 All re-inspection fees will be \$ 100.00, which shall be paid before the re-inspection is made.

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17 **Penalties**

18 Where work for which a permit is required by this code is started or proceeded prior to obtaining said
 19 permit, the fees herein specified shall be doubled; but the payment of such double fee shall not relieve
 20 any persons from fully complying with the requirements of this code in the execution of the work nor from
 21 any other prescribed penalties.

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23 **Plan-Checking Fees**

24 When a plan is required to be submitted a plan-checking fee shall be paid at the time of permitting. The
 25 plan-checking fee shall be equal to 60% of the building permit fee as determined in accordance with sub-
 26 section (a) herein above. Such plan-checking fee is in addition to the building permit fee. In the event of
 27 excessive (8 or more) plan resubmissions, a \$ 150.00 fee will be incurred.

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29 **Sign Permit Fees**

30 Permit fees for signs shall be calculated in accordance with the Construction Permit Fees sub-section
 31 herein above. Plan-check fees for all sign permit applications shall be \$ 15.00 per sign, payable at the
 32 time the permit application is made.

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34 **Parking Lots, Driveways, and Associated Landscaping Permit Fees**

35 The permit fee for development of a parking lot or a driveway that is not associated with any other
 36 building development will be based on the contract value of the developed lot, including all landscaping,
 37 and be determined in accordance with Construction Permit Fees sub-section herein above. Plan-checking
 38 fees will be sixty per cent (60%) of the permit fees, payable at the time the permit application is made.

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40 **Commercial Storm Water Review Fee**

41 Commercial projects that require a storm water plan review will be charged \$250.00.