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**DEVELOPMENT PERMIT FEES**

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**Chapter 27.02**  
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**27.02.010 Purpose.** The purpose of this title is: to prescribe equitable fees and fee collection for all development and environmental review services provided by the department of development and environment services; and to prescribe school impact fees to cover the proportionate share of the cost of new school facilities needed to serve new growth and development. (Ord. 13332 § 55, 1998: Ord. 10662 § 42, 1992).

**27.02.015 Relationship to Comprehensive Plan and Growth Management Act.** This title of the King County Code is hereby enacted to be consistent and implement the comprehensive plan in accordance with RCW 36.70A. (Ord. 11623 § 1, 1994).

**27.02.020 General provisions.** This chapter deals with provisions general to the administration of this title and includes late penalties, fee waivers, fee assessments, refunds, code enforcement fee, expedited review fees, general research and financial guarantees. (Ord. 17224 § 2, 2011: Ord. 11141 § 37, 1993: Ord. 10662 § 43, 1992).

**27.02.025 Rules.** The department shall adopt public rules pursuant to K.C.C. chapter 2.98 to implement this title. (Ord. 15946 § 2, 2007: Ord. 14683 § 4, 2003).

**27.02.030 Fees - due dates - late penalty - insufficient funds charge.**

A. Fees are due and payable at the time of application for service or the due date stated on the department's invoice.

B. A late penalty payment equal to one percent of the delinquent unpaid balance, compounded monthly, shall be assessed on any delinquent unpaid balance.

C. The department shall charge an insufficient funds charge of thirty-five dollars. (Ord. 16959 § 2, 2010: Ord. 15957 § 1, 2007: Ord. 15946 § 3, 2007: Ord. 10662 § 44, 1992).

**27.02.040 Fee waivers.** The director shall have the discretion to waive all or a portion of the fees administered by the department and required pursuant to this title, provided, the waiver is warranted in the director's judgment. Any fee waiver shall be in writing and shall state a compelling need or public purpose to be served by the waiver. The need or purpose must be consistent with standards established pursuant to K.C.C. chapter 2.98. (Ord. 15946 § 4, 2007: Ord. 13332 § 56, 1998: Ord. 11141 § 38, 1993: Ord. 10662 § 45, 1992).

**27.02.050 Fee assessment.** Unless otherwise required by this title, development permit and environmental review fees shall be assessed at the fee rate in effect at the time the fee is assessed. (Ord. 16959 § 3, 2010: Ord. 10662 § 46, 1992).

**27.02.060 Refunds.**

A. If an applicant or permit holder withdraws, cancels or otherwise terminates an application or permit, permit administration fees paid under K.C.C. 27.06.020 are not refundable.

B. All other fixed fees are refundable in proportion to the amount of work performed as of the date of application or permit withdrawal or cancellation by the applicant if, within sixty days after the date that fixed fees were paid, the applicant or permit holder in writing withdraws, cancels or otherwise terminates the application or permit and requests a refund

C. The department may refund a fee that has been paid but waived.

D. Fees will only be refunded to the applicant of record. (Ord. 17224 § 3, 2011: Ord. 16959 § 4, 2010: Ord. 13332 § 57, 1998: Ord. 10662 § 47, 1992).

**27.02.062 Rules for refunds of fees associated with appeal.** The department shall adopt public rules in accordance with K.C.C. chapter 2.98 providing for refunds of fees associated with the appeal, when an applicant is the substantially prevailing party in an administrative appeal. (Ord. 15946 § 5, 2007).

**27.02.065 Fee estimates for services subject to hourly fees.** The department shall, within a reasonable time, provide fee estimates to the applicant for any services subject to hourly fees. Copies of employee worksheets used in preparing binding fee estimates and fee estimate revisions shall be included along with the fee estimates. The department shall develop uniform standards and criteria for revising fee estimates in accordance with K.C.C. chapter 2.98. (Ord. 17224 § 4, 2011: Ord. 15946 § 6, 2007).

**27.02.070 Code enforcement fees.** A fee assessed at the current hourly rate shall be charged for department staff time associated with code enforcement actions on all permits and reviews covered by this title. (Ord. 13332 § 58, 1998: Ord. 10662 § 58, 1992).

**27.02.080 Financial guarantees fee.**

A. A fixed fee of two hundred thirty dollars shall be charged for department staff time associated with all work done in conjunction with the intake, administration and release of financial guarantees for development permits.

B. A fee assessed at the department's current hourly rate shall be charged for department staff time associated with all work done in conjunction with the setting, monitoring, inspection and enforcement of financial guarantees for development permits. (Ord. 16959 § 5, 2010: Ord. 15957 § 2, 2007: Ord. 13332 § 59, 1998: Ord. 10662 § 49, 1992).

**27.02.085 Drainage defect and maintenance financial guarantee program fees.** A minimum of one hour's fee shall be charged by the departments of natural resources and parks and transportation for any financial guarantee work performed by those departments related to storm water drainage and roadway improvements. The fee shall be less than or equal to the department of development and environmental service's current hourly rate. (Ord. 14199 § 248, 2001: Ord. 13659 § 2, 1999).

**27.02.090 Expedited review fees.**

A. The hourly rate for expedited review shall be one hundred fifty percent of the department's current hourly rate.

B. If the normal review fee is a fixed fee, customer-requested expedited review shall be charged at the expedited hourly rate, in addition to the normal fixed review fee.

C. If the normal review fee is an hourly fee, customer-requested expedited review shall be charged at the expedited hourly rate. (Ord. 17224 § 5, 2011: Ord. 13332 § 60, 1998: Ord. 11141 § 39, 1993).

**27.02.100 General service fee.** A general service fee assessed at the department's current hourly rate shall be charged for each of the following services:

A. Research performed outside the context of a pending application review;

B. Professional services to other governments under adopted interlocal agreement with the jurisdiction requesting the service;

C. Project management; and

D. Any service not otherwise listed in the [this] title. (Ord. 17224 § 6, 2011: Ord. 14683 § 36, 2003: Ord. 13996 § 11, 2000: [Ord. 13664 § 12, 1999, repealed by Ord. 13996 § 13, 2000]: Ord. 13332 § 61, 1998: Ord. 11141 § 40, 1993).

**27.02.110 Contract fees.** An applicant may elect to have a review, inspection, or permit approval completed by a department approved and hired contractor. For reviews, inspections, and permit approvals completed by a department approved contractor, the department is authorized to charge the applicant the contract amount in addition to the required review, inspection, or permit fee. (Ord. 11141 § 41, 1993).

**27.02.130 Educational services fees.**

A. The department may charge a fee to recover the actual cost of providing classes or training provided by department of development and environmental services staff. (Ord. 16959 § 6, 2010: Ord. 13332 § 8, 1998).

**27.02.140 Work without a permit - investigation fee.** Whenever any work for which a permit or application approval required under K.C.C. Title 16, 19A, 20, 21A or 25 has commenced without first obtaining the required permit or application approval or has proceeded without obtaining necessary inspections, an investigation fee, in addition to the permit or application review fee, shall be collected whether or not a permit or application approval is subsequently issued. (Ord. 16959 § 7, 2010: Ord. 13332 § 10, 1998).

**27.02.160 Clerical services, duplicator, tank removal contractor certification, title elimination, zoning certification-related fees.**

A. The department may charge fees for clerical services unrelated to permits including, but not limited to, making copies, notarizing documents, gathering, preparing and publishing special request reports, and providing publications. The fees shall be at actual cost to the department and shall be collected at the time services are requested. The department shall publish a schedule of these fees.

B. The fee for a duplicate copy of a previously prepared certificate of elevation is two hundred twelve dollars.

C. The fee for annual certification of a tank removal contractor is one hundred seventy dollars.

D. The fee for a title elimination is sixty dollars.

E. The fee for a zoning certification letter confirming an existing zoning designation or development rights is one hundred seventy dollars. The fee for zoning certification requiring historic research or review of other information is five hundred ten dollars. (Ord. 17224 § 8, 2011: Ord. 16959 § 9, 2010: Ord. 15957 § 3, 2007: Ord. 14683 § 37, 2003: Ord. 13332 § 13, 1998).

**27.02.170 Addressing issues charges.** Requests concerning residential addressing issues where no site visit is required shall be charged one hundred thirty-six dollars per address. All other requests concerning addressing issues shall be charged at the department's current hourly rate. (Ord. 17224 § 9, 2011: Ord. 16959 § 10, 2010).

**27.02.190 Hourly rates for fees.**

A. The department's current hourly rate shall be assessed under this title at a rate of one hundred seventy dollars per hour.

B. The department of transportation's current hourly rate shall be assessed under this title at a rate of one hundred ten dollars per hour. (Ord. 17224 § 10, 2011: Ord. 16959 § 12, 2010: Ord. 15957 § 4, 2007: Ord. 14683 § 38, 2003: Ord. 14683 § 5, 2003: [Ord. 13664 § 2, 1999, repealed by Ord. 13996 § 13, 2000]: Ord. 13332 § 9, 1998).

**27.02.1905 Fees surcharge - K.C.C. chapters 27.02, 27.06, 27.10, 27.36 and 27.46 and K.C.C. 27.44.010.B - use - exceptions - applicability - expiration (expires January 1, 2015).**

A. Except as otherwise provided in subsection B. of this section, the department shall assess a surcharge of five percent on all fees established in K.C.C. chapters 27.02, 27.06, 27.10, 27.36 and 27.46 and K.C.C. 27.44.010.B. The surcharge shall only be used for:

1. The permit integration project;
2. Relocation of the department's permitting related functions; and
3. The department's undesignated fund balance for working capital in order to achieve an undesignated fund balance of forty-six days of operating and maintenance expenses.

B. The following fees shall not be subject to the surcharge established in subsection A. of this section:

1. Late payment penalty and insufficient funds penalty fees established in K.C.C. 27.02.030;
2. Contract fees established in K.C.C. 27.02.110;
3. Impact fees established in K.C.C. 27.44.010.A;
4. Fees for department of transportation review of road standards variance requests under K.C.C. 27.10.070.A; and
5. Fees or surcharges established by and remitted to the state of Washington.

C. The surcharge applies to fee assessments made between January 1, 2011, and January 1, 2015.

D. This section expires on January 1, 2015. (Ord. 17224 § 11, 2011: Ord. 16959 § 12, 2010).

**27.02.201 Fee schedule - availability.** The department shall make available for inspection, review and copying by the public a fee schedule of its current fees in both written and electronic form. The department shall also post the fee schedule on the department's website. (Ord. 16959 § 13, 2010).

**27.02.210 Deposits.** The department may require a deposit for hourly or other incremental fees for requested or required services at the time an application is accepted or a permit is issued or extended. The deposit shall not exceed the estimated cost of the services for which the deposit is collected. Moneys remaining on deposit upon completion or cancellation of service shall be refunded to the applicant. (Ord. 17224 § 12, 2011: Ord. 14683 § 39, 2003: Ord. 13332 § 63, 1998).

**27.02.220 Disaster response expenditures.** Expenditures drawn from the development and environmental services (DES) fund for disaster response, which are not recovered through the assessment of fees or reimbursement from the Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA), shall be reimbursed to the DES fund by the current expense fund within twelve months of when the expenses were incurred. (Ord. 14238 § 32, 2001).

**Chapter 27.04  
DEFINITIONS****Sections:**

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**27.04.001 Agricultural activity.**

A. Located on an existing farm on RA-zoned property for which the property owner has a current farm plan developed in conjunction with the King Conservation District or on lands within the agricultural production district; and

B. Related to the following agricultural purposes:

1. The storage, maintenance or repair of farm machinery and equipment;
2. The raising, harvesting and selling of crops;
3. The feeding, breeding, management and sale of, or the produce of, livestock, poultry, fur-bearing animals or honeybees;
4. Dairying and the sale of dairy products;
5. Any other agricultural or horticultural use or animal husbandry, or any combination thereof, including the preparation, storage, processing or sale of agricultural products raised on the farm for human use and animal use;
6. Processing, treatment, packaging, and sale of agricultural products;
7. Stabling or training equines; or
8. Equine riding lessons and training clinics. (Ord. 17224 § 13, 2011).

**27.04.002 Agricultural building.** "Agricultural building" means a structure, other than a dwelling, that is:

A. Located on an existing farm on RA-zoned property for which the property owner has a current farm plan developed in conjunction with the King Conservation District or on lands within the agricultural production district; and

B. Used in the operation of the farm for:

1. The storage, maintenance or repair of farm machinery and equipment;
2. The raising, harvesting and selling of crops;
3. The feeding, breeding, management and sale of, or the produce of, livestock, poultry, fur-bearing animals or honeybees;
4. Dairying and the sale of dairy products;
5. Any other agricultural or horticultural use or animal husbandry, or any combination thereof, including the preparation, storage, processing, or sale of agricultural products raised on the farm for human use and animal use;
6. Processing, treatment, packaging, and sale of agricultural products;
7. Stabling or training equines; or
8. Equine riding lessons and training clinics. (Ord. 17224 § 14, 2011).

**27.04.003 Building official.** "Building official" means the director of the department of development and environmental services or the director's designee. (Ord. 13332 § 14, 1998).

**27.04.004 Closed record hearing.** "Closed record hearing" means an administrative appeal to the hearing examiner of a departmental decision when the appeal is on the record with no new evidence or information allowed to be submitted and only appeal argument allowed. The record shall consist solely of a complete set of the documents relating to the facts of the department's decision. (Ord. 16026 § 5, 2008).

**27.04.005 Department.** "Department" means the department of development and environmental services. (Ord. 14683 § 6, 2003; Ord. 10662 § 51, 1992).

**27.04.010 Development permits.** "Development permits" mean all permits, reviews, and approvals administered by the department of development and environment services including, but not limited to, right-of-way use permits, grading permits, building permits, fire code permits, subdivisions, short subdivisions, binding site plans, planned unit developments, zoning permits, master plan development permits, current use permits, boundary line adjustments, and environmental review and shoreline permits. (Ord. 16959 § 14, 2010; Ord. 10662 § 53, 1992; Ord. 8330 § 31, 1987).

**27.04.015 Director.** "Director" means the director of the department of development and environment services or his/her designee. (Ord. 10662 § 52, 1992).

**27.04.025 Impact fee.** "Impact fee" means a payment of money authorized by state law and county ordinance to be imposed upon development as a condition of development approval to pay for public facilities needed to serve new growth and development. Impact fees include but are not limited to roads mitigation payment fees and school impact fees. "Impact fees" do not include fees imposed to cover the costs of processing applications, inspecting and reviewing plans or other information required to be submitted for purpose of evaluation of an application, or inspecting or monitoring development activity. (Ord. 10162 § 22, 1991).

**27.04.028 Environmental review.** "Environmental review" means all permits, reviews, and approvals administered pursuant to K.C.C. 20.44. (Ord. 10662 § 50, 1992).

**27.04.040 Permit fee.** "Permit fee" means a payment of money imposed upon development as a condition of application for or approval of development to cover the costs of processing applications, inspecting and reviewing plans or other information required to be submitted for purpose of evaluation of an application, or inspecting or monitoring development activity. (Ord. 10162 § 23, 1991).

**27.04.043 Project managed.** "Project managed" refers to a permit or approval that the department reviewed under the project management program. (Ord. 16026 § 8, 2008).

**27.04.045 Project management program.** "Project management program" means the program within the department that provides fee estimates and enhanced oversight on projects that are large or complex, and are subject to hourly permit fees. (Ord. 16026 § 7, 2008).

**27.04.047 Substantial prevailing party.** A permit applicant is the "substantial prevailing party" in an appeal under this title if the hearing examiner orders a reduction of the fee estimate, estimate revision or billings that is fifty percent or more of the cumulative sum that the applicant disputed before the examiner. Otherwise, the department is the "substantial prevailing party." (Ord. 16026 § 6, 2008).

**27.04.050 Valuation.** "Valuation" means the determination of value made by the building official or the building official's designee using current valuation tables published by the International Code Council, International Conference of Building Officials or other current nationally recognized standards. The valuation includes the total value of all construction work for which the permit is issued, including all finish work, painting, roofing, electrical, plumbing, heating, ventilation and air conditioning, elevators, fire systems and any other permanent fixtures. (Ord. 16959 § 15, 2010: Ord. 15957 § 5, 2007: Ord. 13996 § 2, 2000: [Ord. 13664 § 3, 1999, repealed by Ord. 13996, § 13, 2000]: Ord. 13332 § 15, 1998).

**Chapter 27.06  
PREAPPLICATION AND COUNTER SERVICE FEES**

**Sections:**

- 27.06.005 Purpose.
- 27.06.010 Preapplication conferences - credit - presubmittal project review other presubmittal services.
- 27.06.020 Permit administration fees - building services division.
- 27.06.040 Screening applications through website - fee - credit.

**27.06.005 Purpose.** The purpose of this chapter is to establish fees for preapplication submittal services, permit administration and screening of applications submitted through the department's website. Preapplication fees shall compensate the department for preliminary review and evaluation of projects and for advising permit applicants before submittal of a formal application. Counter service fees shall compensate the department for land use and building counter services for application intake, calculation of fees, creation of manual and electronic files, preparing applications for routing to review stations, packaging final permits, issuance of final permits and providing fee and submittal information to applicants. Administrative fees shall be collected at the time administrative services are rendered. (Ord. 17224 § 15, 2011: Ord. 14683 § 40, 2003: Ord. 13332 § 3, 1998).

**27.06.010 Preapplication conferences - credit - presubmittal project review other presubmittal services.**

- A. A nonrefundable fee shall be charged for preapplication conferences as follows:
  - 1. Already built construction: \$510.00
  - 2. Agricultural building or agricultural activity - per department staff attendee \$255.00
  - 3. Other not listed - per department staff attendee: \$510.00

B. The preapplication conference fee under subsection A. of this section shall be credited against any required investigation fees for a subsequent permit application to address work commenced without permits.

C. A nonrefundable fee of three hundred forty dollars shall be charged for presubmittal project review for development proposals that do not require a preapplication conference. [The nonrefundable fee for presubmittal project review]\* shall be credited against valuation or fixed fees due at or subsequent to submittal of an application.

- D. nonrefundable fee shall be charged for other presubmittal services as follows:
  - 1. Each site visit - per department staff attendee: \$510.00
  - 2. . Fee estimate for a project: \$510.00
  - 3. . Project consultation not otherwise listed: Current Hourly Rate

(Ord. 17224 § 16, 2011: Ord. 16959 § 16, 2010: Ord. 14683 § 41, 2003: Ord. 13332 § 4, 1998).

\*Reviser’s note: Language not underlined in Ordinance 17224. See K.C.C. 1.24.075.

**27.06.020 Permit administration - extension.**

A. A fixed fee shall be charged for permit administration as follows:

1. Group 1: small, simple, easy-to-administer applications including residential mechanical, registered plans, special inspections, fire tank, extensions, agricultural structures accessory to a residence, basics and basic accessories, residential revisions, short plats, alterations to short plats, separate lot recognition, subdivision exemptions, revisions, shoreline exemptions, right-of-way use, boundary line adjustments, all extensions and road and drainage variances: \$111.00
2. Group 2: applications more complex than group 1, including fire system permits, accessories to residence, signs, commercial mechanical, additions, mobile homes in a mobile home park, clearing and grading, final plats, binding site plans and alterations to final plats: \$225.00
3. Group 3: applications more complex than groups 1 and 2, including new residences, small nonbuilding permits, commercial tenant improvements and revisions, building modifications, permits issued "subject to field inspection," stand-alone agricultural buildings, mobile homes on raw land, variances, shoreline, preliminary short plats and critical areas ordinance alteration exceptions: \$317.00
4. Group 4: applications more complex and difficult than other groups, including small and large new commercial buildings, multifamily buildings, large nonbuilding structures, preliminary plats, variances, conditional use permits, special use permits, zone and shoreline reclassification and other permits with complex processing such as commercial site plans: \$961.00

B. An extension fee equal to the amount of the initial permit administration fee under subsection A. of this section may be assessed to authorize additional time for response to formal requests by the department for required information. (Ord. 16959 § 17, 2010: Ord. 15957 § 6, 2007: Ord. 14683 § 7, 2003: Ord. 13332 § 5, 1998).

**27.06.040 Screening applications through website - fee - credit.** A fee of twenty-five dollars shall be charged for screening each application submitted to the department through the department's website, which shall be credited against fees required for acceptance of the application by the department. (Ord. 17224 § 18, 2011).

**Chapter 27.10  
FEES**

**Sections:**

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- 27.10.150 SEPA review - preparation of environmental impact statement.
- 27.10.160 Shoreline substantial development permit and shoreline exemption application review fees.
- 27.10.170 Zoning application review fees.
- 27.10.180 Site-specific land use amendment.
- 27.10.190 Preliminary subdivision, short subdivision, urban planned development or binding site plan - preliminary review fees.
- 27.10.200 Final subdivision, short subdivision, urban planned development or binding site plan - final plan, extension, subdivision legal description fees.
- 27.10.210 Separate lot recognition, subdivision exemption, recorded building envelope modification, name change request and purchaser review fees.
- 27.10.220 Boundary line adjustments and lot mergers fees.
- 27.10.310 Construction and site development inspection fees – applicability.
- 27.10.320 Buildings and other structures construction inspection fees.
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- 27.10.380 Site development inspections, monitoring and pre-site work engineering meetings - fees.
- 27.10.385 Site inspections and pre-site work engineering meetings for construction of storm water facilities.
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- 27.10.410 Zoning, SEPA, shoreline, critical area, other conditions or mitigation - postapproval or development monitoring or inspection - fees.
- 27.10.420 Extensions of permits and approvals - fees and deposits.
- 27.10.425 Investigation of work done without a required permit or approval.
- 27.10.430 General inspections.
- 27.10.450 Mobile home fees.
- 27.10.460 Condominium conversion review and inspection fees.
- 27.10.500 Supplemental inspection and reinspection.
- 27.10.510 Certification of compliance or completion.
- 27.10.550 Preissuance construction authorization (PICA) inspections - fees.

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**27.10.010 Plan review fees - applicability.** Plan review fees shall compensate the department for the plan review necessary to determine compliance with approved plans, adopted international codes and other county regulations. The fees may be based on valuation and may be fixed or hourly. The fees shall be collected to compensate the department for the review of:

- A. Commercial and residential building permit applications under K.C.C. chapters 16.04, 16.70, 16.74, 16.78 and 17.04 and K.C.C. Titles 20 and 21A;
- B. Grading and clearing permit applications under K.C.C. chapter 16.82;
- C. Shoreline permit applications and exemptions under K.C.C. Title 25;
- D. State Environmental Policy Act compliance under K.C.C. chapter 20.44 ;
- E. Critical areas under K.C.C. chapter 21A.24 ;
- F. Preliminary and final subdivisions and short subdivisions under K.C.C. Title 19A;
- G. Binding site plan review under K.C.C. Title 19A;
- H. Boundary line adjustments under K.C.C. Title 19A;
- I. Variance requests, conditional use permits, zone reclassification requests, special use permits and temporary use permits under K.C.C. Title 21A;
- J. Right of way use permits under K.C.C. Title 14; and
- K. Drainage review under K.C.C. Title 9. (Ord. 16959 § 18, 2010: Ord. 15957 § 8, 2007: Ord. 13332 § 16, 1998).

**27.10.020 Building plan review fees - revision fees - nonstandard methods or materials review fees - agricultural building plan review fee.**

- A. Except as otherwise provided in this section, fees for the review of buildings and structures, including additions and modifications, shall be calculated using valuations and using fee rate tables published by the International Conference of Building Officials or International Code Council or other current nationally recognized standards. The building official shall establish the final valuation. The fee charged shall be at sixty-five percent of the calculated amount, unless otherwise specified in this title.
- B. Revisions to a permit application shall be charged at the department's current hourly rate and applying any increase in the valuation of the construction work.
- C. Additional plan review required when issuing a basic permit from a registered plan shall be charged at the department's current hourly rate.
- D. Additional review required for applications using nonstandard methods, materials, or design shall be charged at the department's current hourly rate in addition to the standard fees.
- E. The fee for review of an agricultural building shall be a fixed fee of five hundred ten dollars. (Ord. 17224 § 19, 2011: Ord. 16959 § 19, 2010: Ord. 14683 § 42, 2003: Ord. 13996 § 3, 2000: [Ord. 13664 § 4, 1999, repealed by Ord. 13996, § 13, 2000]: Ord. 13332 § 17, 1998).

**27.10.030 Building review fees - mechanical systems.** Mechanical systems serving individual dwelling units shall be charged a fixed fee of one hundred thirty-three dollars per unit if the review is necessary. Fees for review of commercial or multifamily residential mechanical systems shall be calculated as provided in K.C.C. 27.10.330. (Ord. 17224 § 21, 2011: Ord. 16959 § 20, 2010: Ord. 15957 § 9, 2007: Ord. 14683 § 9, 2003: Ord. 13996 § 4, 2000: [Ord. 13664 § 5, 1999, repealed by Ord. 13996 § 13, 2000]: Ord. 13332 § 18, 1998)

**27.10.045 Uniform fire code review.** A fee shall be charged for uniform fire code review as follows:

A.	New commercial building with sprinklers	\$510.00
B.	Other commercial building with sprinklers	\$340.00
C.	Single family dwelling with sprinklers	\$170.00
D.	Adult family home conversion with sprinklers	\$170.00
E.	Other building with sprinklers	\$170.00
F.	Building without sprinklers	\$85.00
G.	Agricultural building as defined in this title	\$85.00
H.	Plan resubmittal, each	\$85.00

(Ord. 17224 § 20, 2011).

**27.10.050 Fire systems and tank reviews.** A fee shall be charged to cover the costs of the department to review fire systems and tank systems as follows:

<b>System</b>	<b>Fee</b>
A. Fire alarm systems	
1. Each system	\$340.00
2. Each device	\$8.00
B. Automatic sprinkler systems	
1. Residential, each riser	\$340.00
2. Commercial, each riser	\$680.00
3. Each head or plug	\$2.00
C. Standpipe systems	
1. Class I, each	\$386.00
2. Class II, each	\$386.00
3. Class III, each	\$1,064.00
4. Each outlet for Class I or II	\$72.00
5. Fire pump, each	\$510.00
D. Flammable or combustible liquids storage tank, each:	306.00
E. High piled storage racks	\$1,020.00
F. Underground piping to flammable or combustible liquid storage tanks	833.00
G. Monitoring transmitter, each system	\$340.00
H. Emergency or standby power systems, each system	\$510.00
I. Water main extension or replacement:	
1. Each system	\$425.00
2. Each hydrant	\$17.00
J. Sprinkler supply main, each	\$510.00
K. Fire extinguishing system, each	\$765.00
L. Plan resubmittal, each	\$170.00
M. All other reviews not listed	Current hourly rate

(Ord. 17224 § 22, 2011: Ord. 16959 § 21, 2010: Ord. 15957 § 11, 2008: Ord. 14683 § 11, 2003: Ord. 13996 § 5, 2000: [Ord. 13664 § 6, 1999, repealed by Ord. 13996, § 13, 2000]: Ord. 13332 § 20, 1998).

**27.10.060 Zoning compliance review fees - critical areas excepted.** Review for compliance with K.C.C. Title 21A standards, except for K.C.C. chapter 21A.24, shall be charged fees as follows:

A.	Basic	\$680.00
B.	School portable	\$595.00
C.	Building additions or improvements - residential	\$340.00
D.	Building additions or improvements - tenant	\$340.00
E.	Building additions or improvements - multifamily or commercial	\$340.00
F.	Building additions or improvements - change of use	\$1,071.00
G.	Building used for agricultural purposes described in K.C.C. 27.04.001.B but not meeting the definition of agricultural building	\$714.00
H.	Dwelling - single	\$714.00
I.	Already built construction - commercial	\$510.00
J.	Already built construction - residential	\$510.00
K.	Agricultural building	\$255.00
L.	Dwelling - accessory dwelling unit	\$510.00
M.	Dwelling - mobile	\$595.00
N.	Dwelling - modular	\$680.00
O.	Electronic communication - pole/tower	\$1,275.00
P.	Electronic communication - antenna	\$850.00
Q.	Dwelling - mobile, medical hardship	\$680.00
R.	Permit - dock (other than building)	\$187.00
S.	Permit - pool (other than building)	\$221.00
T.	Landscape - inspection	\$782.00
U.	Landscape - maintenance	\$833.00
V.	All other not listed by project type - simple	\$425.00
W.	All other not listed by project type - complex	Current hourly rate
X.	Plan resubmittal, each	\$170.00

(Ord. 17224 § 23, 2011: Ord. 16959 § 22, 2010: Ord. 15957 § 12, 2008: Ord. 14683 § 43, 2003: Ord. 14683 § 12, 2003: Ord. 13996 § 6, 2000: [Ord. 13664 § 7, 1999, repealed by Ord. 13996, § 13, 2000]: Ord. 13332 § 21, 1998).

**27.10.070 Zoning variance requests fees.** Review of variance requests shall be charged fees as follows:

A.	Review by department of transportation (if required):	\$1,650.00
B.	Review by department of development and environmental services:	\$1,020.00
C.	Department of development and environmental services - plan resubmittal:	\$340.00
D.	Storm Water Manual adjustment review - basic	\$1,870.00
E.	Storm Water Manual adjustment review - complex	\$3,910.00
F.	Storm Water Manual adjustment review - experimental	Current hourly rate

(Ord. 17224 § 24, 2011: Ord. 16959 § 23, 2010: Ord. 15957 § 13, 2007: Ord. 14683 § 13, 2003: Ord. 13332 § 22, 1998).

**27.10.080 Site engineering review fees.** Site engineering review includes review for code compliance with road design, drainage, erosion and sedimentation control, and right-of-way improvements. Review fees shall be charged as follows.

A. Plan review - targeted or small site:	
1. Basic review with standardized conditions	\$714.00
2. Standard review with no critical areas review	\$1,275.00
3. Standard review, completed critical areas designation, 1 review	\$2,380.00
4. Standard review, completed critical areas designation, 2 reviews	\$3,740.00
5. Standard review, not otherwise listed	Current hourly rate
B. Plan resubmittal - targeted or small site	
1. Basic review with standardized conditions or standard conditions review	\$382.00
2. Standard review, completed critical areas designation, 1 review	\$765.00
3. Standard review, completed critical areas designation, 2 reviews	\$1,190.00
C. Plan review - complex	
1. Non-engineered plans; minimal road improvements; minimal drainage review	\$2,550.00
2. Engineered plans; private or minor public road improvements; small project drainage, dispersion, flow control best management practices, conveyance only or detention only, or any combination thereof	\$5,100.00
3. Engineered plans; private or public road improvements; full drainage review with detention or water quality, or both	\$7,650.00
4. Engineered plans; private or public road improvements; full drainage review with detention, infiltration or water quality, or any combination thereof	\$10,200.00
5. Engineered plans; private or public road improvements; full drainage review with multiple basins	\$15,300.00
6. Engineered plans; large private or public road improvements; full drainage review with multiple basins	\$20,400.00
7. Not otherwise listed	Current hourly rate
D. Plan resubmittal - complex	
1. Non-engineered plans; minimal road improvements; minimal drainage review	\$1,020.00
2. Engineered plans; private or minor public road improvements; small project drainage, dispersion, flow control best management practices, conveyance or detention	\$1,530.00
3. Engineered plans; private or public road improvements; full drainage review with either detention or water quality, or both	\$2,040.00
4. Engineered plans; private or public road improvements; full drainage review with detention, infiltration and/or water quality	\$3,060.00
5. Engineered plans; private or public road improvements; full drainage review with multiple basins	\$4,080.00
6. Engineered plans; large private or public road improvements; full drainage review with multiple basins	\$5,100.00

(Ord. 17224 § 25, 2011; Ord. 16959 § 24, 2010; Ord. 15957 § 14, 2007; Ord. 14683 § 44, 2003; Ord. 14683 § 14, 2003; Ord. 13332 § 23, 1998).

**27.10.085 Road constructability review.** Fees for review of road constructability by department of transportation shall be charged as follows.

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|----|---|---|
| A. | Non-engineered plans; minimal road improvements; minimal drainage review  | No review   |
| B. | Engineered plans; private or minor public road improvements; small project drainage, dispersion, flow control BMPs, conveyance only or detention only, or any combination thereof | No review   |
| C. | Engineered plans; private or public road improvements; full drainage review with detention or water quality, or both  | \$880.00  |
| D. | Engineered plans; private or public road improvements; full drainage review with detention, infiltration or water quality, or any combination thereof                             | \$880.00  |
| E. | Engineered plans; private or public road improvements; full drainage review with multiple basins  | \$1,320.00  |
| F. | Engineered plans; large private or public road improvements; full drainage review with multiple basins  | \$1,760.00  |
| G. | Not otherwise listed  | Current<br>department of<br>transportation<br>hourly rate |

(Ord. 17224 § 26, 2011).

**27.10.090 Grading or clearing site plan review fees.** Grading or clearing site plan review includes review for compliance with King County grading and clearing code requirements. Grading or clearing site plan review fees shall be charged as follows:

A.	Grading or clearing plan review	0.0 to .20 acres	\$595.00
B.	Grading or clearing plan review	.21 to 1.0 acres	\$1,445.00
C.	Grading or clearing plan review	1.01 to 5.0 acres	\$2,720.00
D.	Grading or clearing plan review	5.01 to 10.0 acres	\$3,570.00
E.	Grading or clearing plan review	10.01 to 20.0 acres	\$5,270.00
F.	Grading or clearing plan review	Over 20.0 acres	\$6,970.00
G.	Grading or clearing plan revisions - minor		\$595.00
H.	Grading or clearing plan revisions - major		Applicable fee in subsections A. through F. of this section
I.	Forest practices act - class IV review - residential		\$595.00
J.	Forest practices act - class IV review - non residential		\$1,190.00
K.	Forest practices act - release of moratorium, excluding engineering or critical areas review		\$5,100.00
L.	Forest practices act - conversion option harvest plan - 0 to 10 acres		\$1,530.00
M.	Forest practices act - conversion option harvest plan - 10.01 to 20 acres		\$2,720.00
N.	Forest practices act - conversion option harvest plan - more than 20 acres		Current hourly rate
O.	Forest practices act - activities with approved forest management plan - 5 acres or less		\$170.00
P.	Forest practices act - activities with approved forest management plan - more than 5 acres		\$425.00
Q.	Surface mine and material processing facility review		Current hourly rate
R.	Clearing or grading permit - minor: less than 2,000 square feet grading, less than 7,000 square feet clearing		\$340.00
S.	Clearing or grading permit: 1- 10 hazard trees		\$340.00
T.	Clearing or grading permit: 11- 20 hazard trees		\$468.00
U.	Clearing or grading permit: residential less than or equal to 0.2 acres		\$425.00
V.	Clearing or grading permit: residential 0.21 to 1.0 acres		\$680.00
W.	Clearing or grading permit: farm pads less than 2,000 square feet for an agricultural use		\$170.00
X.	Clearing or grading permit: farm pads between 2,000 and 10,000 square feet for an agricultural use		\$340.00
Y.	Clearing or grading permit: agricultural drainage maintenance in accordance with county and state approved best management practices		\$340.00
Z.	Clearing or grading permit: all others not listed		Current hourly rate

(Ord. 17224 § 27, 2011: Ord. 16959 § 25, 2010: Ord. 15957 § 15, 2007: Ord. 14683 § 45, 2003: Ord. 14683 § 15, 2003: Ord. 13332 § 24, 1998).

**27.10.120 Right-of-way application review fees.** Right-of-way application review not requiring engineered plans, including revisions, shall be charged as follows:

- A. Minor repair, maintenance, , minor drainage improvements - review \$340.00
- B. Utility crossing or minor driveway construction - review \$1,275.00
- C. Utility crossing or minor driveway construction - resubmittal, each \$340.00
- D. Not otherwise listed Currently hourly rate

(Ord. 17224 § 28, 2011: Ord. 16959 § 26, 2010: Ord. 15957 § 16, 2007: Ord. 14683 § 17, 2003: Ord. 13332 § 27, 1998).

**27.10.130 Critical areas review fees.** Critical areas inquiries or designations shall require a deposit based on the department's estimate of fees. Fees for critical areas review, inquiries and designation shall be charged as follows:

- A. Critical areas review
  - 1. Residential site visit, each \$374.00
  - 2. Residential review, basic \$765.00
  - 3. Residential review, complex, level 1, with preferred consultant \$1,020.00
  - 4. Residential review, complex, level 2, with preferred consultant \$2,380.00
  - 5. Residential review, complex, with other consultant or exception Current hourly rate
  - 6. Nonresidential review, initial site inspection \$374.00
  - 7. Nonresidential review, basic per discipline \$935.00
  - 8. Nonresidential review, complex or exception Current hourly rate
  - 9. Plan revisions Current hourly rate
- B. Critical areas inquiries or designations
  - 1. No critical areas found \$510.00
  - 2. 0.0 to 5.0 acres, one critical area review \$935.00
  - 3. 0.0 to 5.0 acres, two critical area reviews \$1,445.00
  - 4. 0.0 to 5.0 acres, three critical area reviews \$1,785.00
  - 5. 5.01 to 10.0 acres, one critical area review \$1,190.00
  - 6. 5.01 to 10.0 acres, two or more critical area reviews Current hourly rate
  - 7. Only critical aquifer recharge area, seismic hazard and/or erosion hazard \$510.00
  - 8. Extension of approval \$382.00
  - 9. All others not listed Current hourly rate
- C. Flood elevation certification
  - 1. Review \$1,020.00
  - 2. Resubmittal \$340.00
- D. Letter-of-map-amendment community acknowledgement \$850.00
- E. Flood inquiry
  - 1. Basic \$170.00
  - 2. Complex \$340.00

(Ord. 17224 § 29, 2011: Ord. 16959 § 27, 2010: Ord. 15957 § 17, 2007: Ord. 14683 § 46, 2003: Ord. 14683 § 18, 2003: Ord. 14187 § 4, 2001: Ord. 13332 § 28, 1998).

**27.10.150 State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) review - preparation of environmental impact statement.**

A. State Environmental Policy Act review of environmental checklists and preparation of threshold determinations of nonsignificance for minor new construction, including single family residential buildings and minor clearing and grading permits, shall be assessed a fee of eight hundred fifty dollars. Review of environmental checklists and preparation of threshold determinations of nonsignificance and mitigated determinations of nonsignificance and supplemental reviews for all other projects shall be assessed an hourly charge at the department's current hourly rate.

B. Preparation of an environmental impact statement shall be charged at actual cost to the department including consultant costs, administrative costs and cost of review by other county departments and governmental agencies. (Ord. 17224 § 30, 2011: Ord. 13332 § 30, 1998).

**27.10.160 Shoreline substantial development permit and shoreline exemption application review fees.**

A. Except as provided in subsection B., C. and D. of this section, the fee for review of shoreline substantial development permit and shoreline exemption applications shall be charged at the department's current hourly rate and shall require a deposit based on the department's estimate.

B. There shall be a fee of five hundred ten dollars for a shoreline exemption for repair and maintenance..

C. There shall be a fee of three hundred forty dollars for a shoreline exemption for timber harvest operations within the forest production district.

D. There shall be a fee of three hundred forty dollars for a shoreline exemption for agricultural activities. (Ord. 17224 § 31, 2011: Ord. 16959 § 29, 2010: Ord. 13332 § 31, 1998).

**27.10.170 Zoning application review fees.** Fees for zoning application reviews and variances and exceptions shall be charged as follows:

A. Conditional use permit - residential, home industry or tower	\$5,100.00
B. Transfer of development rights sending site certification	\$364.00
C. Critical area alteration exception or reasonable use exception - residential	\$5,100.00
D. Critical area alteration exception or reasonable use exception - extension of approval	\$765.00
E. Reviews, variances and exceptions not otherwise listed	Current hourly rate

(Ord. 17224 § 32, 2011: Ord. 16959 § 30, 2010: Ord. 14683 § 19, 2003: Ord. 14190 § 39, 2001: Ord. 13332 § 32, 1998).

**27.10.180 Site-specific land use amendment.** Applicant generated site-specific land use map amendments shall be charged an application fee of one thousand five hundred dollars. If the amendment is implemented as part of the comprehensive plan amendment process, the application fee will be credited toward the zoning reclassification fee, provided that the application for zoning reclassification is filed within one year of the effective date of the land use map amendment. (Ord. 13332 § 33, 1998).

**27.10.190 Preliminary subdivision, short subdivision, urban planned development or binding site plan - preliminary review fees.** Preliminary subdivision, short subdivision, urban planned development or binding site plan review including initial applications, revisions and alterations shall require a deposit and be charged an hourly fee based on the department's current hourly rate. (Ord. 17224 § 33, 2011: Ord. 16959 § 31, 2010: Ord. 13332 § 34, 1998).

**27.10.200 Final subdivision, short subdivision, urban planned development or binding site plan - final plan, extension, subdivision legal description fees.** Final subdivision, short subdivision, urban planned development or binding site plan review approval and resubmittal shall be charged fees as follows:

A.	Final plan review	
1.	Short plat - urban 2 to 4 lots, simple	\$3,655.00
2.	Short plat - urban 2 to 4 lots, complex	\$5,100.00
3.	Short plat - urban 5 to 9 lots	\$7,480.00
4.	Short plat - rural	\$5,100.00
5.	Subdivision - 25 or fewer lots	\$7,480.00
6.	Subdivision - more than 25 lots	Current hourly rate
7.	Urban planned development	Current hourly rate
8.	Binding site plan - small to moderate size	\$7,480.00
9.	Binding site plan - large or complex	Current hourly rate
B.	Final plan resubmittal	
1.	Short plat	\$1,360.00
2.	Subdivision - 25 or fewer lots	\$1,360.00
3.	Binding site plan - small to moderate size	\$1,360.00
C.	Final plan approval	
1.	Short plat - urban 2 to 4 lots, simple	\$595.00
2.	Short plat - urban 2 to 4 lots, complex	\$850.00
3.	Short plat - urban 5 to 9 lots	\$1,700.00
4.	Short plat - rural	\$850.00
5.	Subdivision - 25 or fewer lots	\$1,700.00
6.	Subdivision - more than 25 lots	Current hourly rate
7.	Urban planned development	Current hourly rate
8.	Binding site plan - small to moderate size	\$1,700.00
9.	Binding site plan - large or complex	Current hourly rate
D.	Extension of approval - short plat, subdivision, urban planned development, binding site plan	\$212.00
E.	Subdivisional legal description	\$1,360.00
1.	1-50 lots - base fee	\$340.00
2.	1-50 lots - per lot	\$102.00
3.	51-100 lots - base fee	\$5,440.00
4.	51-100 lots - per lot	\$40.00
5.	More than 100 lots - base fee	\$7,440.00
6.	More than 100 lots - per lot	\$10.00

(Ord. 17224 § 34, 2011: Ord. 16959 § 32, 2010: Ord. 13332 § 35, 1998).

**27.10.210 Separate lot recognition, subdivision exemption, recorded building envelope modification, name change request and purchaser review fees.** A fixed fee shall be charged for separate lot recognitions, subdivision exemptions, recorded building envelope modifications, name change requests and innocent purchaser reviews as follows:

A. Affidavit - modification of recorded building envelope	\$1,020.00
B. Affidavit - modification resubmittal	\$340.00
C. Affidavit - name change	\$241.00
D. Innocent purchaser - review	\$629.00
E. Innocent purchaser - resubmittal	\$170.00
F. Separate lot - basic - platted lots - review	\$884.00
G. Separate lot - basic - platted lots - resubmittal	\$340.00
H. Separate lot - complex - nonplatted lots, minimum review fee - one lot	\$884.00
I. Separate lot - complex - nonplatted lots, review fee per additional lot	\$510.00
J. Separate lot - complex - nonplatted lots - resubmittal	\$340.00
K. Miscellaneous lot exemption - review	\$1,734.00
L. Miscellaneous lot exemption - resubmittal	\$340.00

(Ord. 16959 § 33, 2010 Ord. 15957 § 18, 2007: Ord. 14683 § 20, 2003: Ord. 13332 § 36, 1998).

**27.10.220 Boundary line adjustments and lot mergers fees.** Boundary line adjustments and lot mergers shall be charged fixed fees as follows, plus the cost of recording documents:

A. Boundary line adjustment - basic - review	\$2,448.00
B. Boundary line adjustment - basic - resubmittal, each	\$680.00
C. Boundary line adjustment - complex - review	\$3,808.00
D. Boundary line adjustment - complex - resubmittal, each	\$1,020.00
E. Boundary line adjustment - final Mylar approval for recording only	\$680.00
F. Lot merger - review	\$850.00
G. Lot merger - resubmittal, each	\$340.00

(Ord. 17224 § 35, 2011: Ord. 16959 § 34, 2010: Ord. 15957 § 19, 2007: Ord. 14683 § 21, 2003: Ord. 13332 § 37, 1998).

**27.10.310 Construction and site development inspection fees - applicability.** Construction and site development inspection fees shall compensate the department for inspections necessary to determine compliance with adopted international codes and other county regulations. The fees may be based on valuation as defined in this title, fixed, hourly or a combination thereof. Fees shall be collected for reinspections and supplemental inspections, as well as being collected to compensate the department for inspection of:

- A. Commercial and residential buildings, additions, and under K.C.C. chapters 16.04, 16.70, 16.74 and 16.78 and K.C.C. Titles 20 and 21A;
- B. Grading and clearing sites under K.C.C. chapter 16.82;
- C. Site development, including roads and drainage and erosion control under K.C.C. Titles 9 and 14 and K.C.C. chapter 16.82;
- D. Shoreline permit approvals and exemptions under K.C.C. Title 25;
- E. State Environmental Policy Act condition compliance under K.C.C. chapter 20.48;
- F. Zoning condition compliance under K.C.C. Title 21A; and
- G. Monitoring drainage and sensitive area conditions. (Ord. 16959 § 35, 2010: Ord. 13332 § 39, 1998).

**27.10.320 Buildings and other structures construction inspection fees.**

A. Except as otherwise provided in this section, permit fees for the inspection of buildings and other structures, including additions and modifications, shall be calculated using valuations and using fee rate tables published by the International Conference of Building Officials or International Code Council or other current nationally recognized standards. The building official shall establish the final valuation. The permit fee charged shall be one-hundred percent of the calculated amount, unless otherwise specified in this title.

B. Additional inspections required for applications using nonstandard methods, materials, or design shall be charged at the department's current hourly rate in addition to the standard fees.

C. Inspections of agricultural building shall be charged a fixed fee of five hundred ten dollars.

D. On single family residence construction sites to ensure required erosion control measures are in place and functioning, the site inspection fee shall be as follows:

1. New dwelling - single or modular	\$231.00
2. New dwelling - basic	\$194.00
3. New dwelling - accessory dwelling unit or manufactured housing	\$170.00
4. Addition or improvement	\$112.00
5. Not otherwise listed	\$85.00
6. Reinspection	Regular Fee

(Ord. 17224 § 36, 2011: Ord. 16959 § 36, 2010: Ord. 14683 § 48, 2003: Ord. 13996 § 8, 2000: [Ord. 13664 § 9, 1999, repealed by Ord. 13996 § 13, 2000]: Ord. 13332 § 40, 1998).

**27.10.330 Structural-mechanical system inspection fees.** Structural-mechanical system inspection fees are distinguished by residential mechanical systems and commercial mechanical systems. Mechanical systems serving individual dwelling units shall be charged a fixed fee of one hundred eighty-four dollars per dwelling unit. Fees for inspection of commercial or multifamily residential project mechanical systems shall be calculated as provided in K.C.C. 27.10.320. (Ord. 16959 § 37, 2010: Ord. 15957 § 21, 2007: Ord. 14683 § 49, 2003: Ord. 14683 § 23, 2003: Ord. 13332 § 41, 1998).

**27.10.350 Fire system and fire tank inspections - conformance with approved plan - fees.**

Fees shall be charged to cover the costs of physical inspections to assure that projects are constructed in accordance with approved plans as follows.

A. Fire alarm systems	
1. Each system	\$510.00
2. Each device	\$3.40
B. Automatic sprinkler systems	
1. Each riser	\$510.00
2. Each head or plug	\$4.25
3. Maximum fee per riser, including fee for heads and plugs	\$3,400.00
C. Standpipe fixed systems	
1. Class I, each system	\$425.00
2. Class II, each system	\$425.00
3. Class III, each system	\$1,170.00
4. Each outlet for Class I or II	\$80.00
5. Fire pump, each	\$510.00
D. Flammable or combustible liquids storage tank, each	
E. High piled storage racks	\$476.00
F. Underground piping to flammable or combustible liquid storage tanks	\$1,318.00
G. Water main extension, or replacement, or both	
1. Each main	\$510.00
2. Each hydrant	\$37.00
H. Monitoring transmitters, each system	\$340.00
I. Emergency or standby power system, each	\$578.00
J. Sprinkler supply main, each	\$510.00
K. Fire extinguishing system, each	\$765.00
L. All other inspections not listed in this section	Current hourly rate

(Ord. 17224 § 37, 2011: Ord. 16959 § 38, 2010: Ord. 15957 § 22, 2007: Ord. 14683 § 24, 2003: Ord. 13996 § 9, 2000: [Ord. 13664 § 10, 1999, repealed by Ord. 13996 § 13, 2000]: Ord. 13332 § 42, 1998).

**27.10.360 Hazardous materials and public assembly inspections-fees.** Fire code inspections, mitigations and code enforcement fees shall be based on the department's current hourly rate, with the following exceptions:

A. Fireworks stands and displays	Maximum allowed under chapter 70.77 RCW
B. Liquefied petroleum gas serving single family residences	N/C
C. Parade floats	N/C
D. Use of candles for ceremonial purposes by churches or nonprofit groups	N/C

(Ord. 16959 § 39, 2010: Ord. 14683 § 25, 2003: Ord. 13332 § 43, 1998).

**27.10.380 Site development inspections, monitoring and pre-site work engineering meetings**

**- fees.** Site inspections of grading, clearing, drainage systems, landscaping and other site development, site monitoring and pre-site work engineering meetings shall be charged [as follows]\*:

A.	Residential or small construction sites not requiring engineered plan	
1.	Residential building site - less than one acre disturbance	\$510.00
2.	Other small construction site - less than one acre, per inspection	\$510.00
B.	Other site development - fee per month with active construction	
1.	Non-engineered plans; minimal road improvements; minimal drainage review	\$680.00
2.	Engineered plans; private or minor public road improvements; small project drainage, dispersion, flow control BMPs, conveyance only or detention only, or any combination thereof	\$1,020.00
3.	Engineered plans; private or public road improvements; full drainage review with detention or water quality, or any combination thereof	\$1,360.00
4.	Engineered plans; private or public road improvements; full drainage review with detention, infiltration or water quality, or any combination thereof	\$1,700.00
5.	Engineered plans; private or public road improvements; full drainage review with multiple basins	\$2,040.00
6.	Engineered plans; large private or public road improvements; full drainage review with multiple basins	\$2,550.00
7.	Not otherwise listed	Current hourly rate
C.	Other site development - fee per month without active construction	
1.	Non-engineered plans; minimal road improvements; minimal drainage review	\$85.00
2.	Engineered plans; private or minor public road improvements; small project drainage, dispersion, flow control best management practices, conveyance only or detention only, or any combination thereof	\$85.00
3.	Engineered plans; private or public road improvements; full drainage review with detention or water quality, or both	\$170.00
4.	Engineered plans; private or public road improvements; full drainage review with detention, infiltration or water quality, or any combination thereof	\$255.00
5.	Engineered plans; private or public road improvements; full drainage review with multiple basins	\$340.00
6.	Engineered plans; large private or public road improvements; full drainage review with multiple basins	\$340.00
7.	Not otherwise listed	Current hourly rate
D.	Monitoring inspections of active surface mines, material processing facilities and other long-term industrial operations	
1.	Inactive sites	No charge
2.	Semiactive sites - 20 acres or less	\$680.00
3.	Semiactive sites - more than 20 acres	\$2,720.00
4.	Active sites - 20 acres or less	\$2,720.00
5.	Active sites - more than 20 acres	\$6,800.00
E.	Review of changes to approved plans	Current hourly rate
F.	Reinspection of nonbonded actions	\$425.00

(Ord. 17224 § 38, 2011: Ord. 16959 § 41, 2010: Ord. 13332 § 46, 1998).

\*Reviser’s note: Language not underlined in Ordinance 17224. See K.C.C. 1.24.075.

**27.10.385 Site inspections and pre-site work engineering meetings for construction of stormwater facilities.** Site inspections and pre-site work engineering meetings for construction of stormwater facilities shall be charged as follows:

- A. Preconstruction meeting and inspection of stormwater facilities - one facility site \$1,320.00
  - B. Inspection of stormwater facilities - each additional facility site \$660.00
- (Ord. 17224 § 39, 2011).

**27.10.395 Site inspections and re-site work engineering meetings for road construction.** Site inspections and pre-site work engineering meetings for road construction shall be charged as follows:

- A. Preconstruction meeting and inspections.
  - 1. Non-engineered plans; minimal road improvements minimal drainage review \$440.00
  - 2. Engineered plans; private or minor public road improvements; small project drainage; dispersion, flow control BMPs, conveyance only or detention only, or any combination thereof \$440.00
  - 3. Engineered plans; private or public road improvements; full drainage review with detention or water quality, or both \$5,500.00
  - 4. Engineered plans; private or public road improvements; full drainage review with detention, infiltration or water quality, or any combination thereof \$6,600.00
  - 5. Engineered plans; private or public road improvements; full drainage review with multiple basins \$9,680.00
  - 6. Engineered plans; large private or public road improvements; full drainage review with multiple basins \$14,520.00
  - 7. Not otherwise listed Department of transportation hourly rate
- B. Permit revisions, reinspection or supplemental inspection Department of transportation hourly rate

(Ord. 17224 § 40, 2011).

**27.10.410 Zoning, SEPA, shoreline, critical area, other conditions or mitigation - postapproval or postdevelopment monitoring or inspection - fees.** Fees for postapproval or postdevelopment monitoring or inspection, or both, for p-suffix conditions, or compliance with conditional use permits, special use permits, state Environmental Policy Act conditions, shoreline development permit conditions, critical areas conditions or other conditions or mitigation associated with project approval shall be charged at the department’s hourly rate fixed fees as follows.

- A. Zoning, state Environmental Policy Act, critical area or shoreline condition inspection
  - 1. Residential, each inspection \$297.00
  - 2. Other, each inspection \$552.00
- B. Critical area mitigation inspection
  - 1. Installation \$382.00
  - 2. Monitoring - 3 to 5 years \$1,317.00
  - 3. Monitoring - more than 5 years \$2,635.00

(Ord. 17224 § 41, 2011: Ord. 16959 § 42, 2010: Ord. 13332 § 47, 1998).

**27.10.420 Extensions of permits and approvals.** Permit and approval extension fees shall be charged to cover the costs of administering permit extension applications and for final inspections as follows. All other inspections for extensions for land use approvals either shall be fixed fees or shall require a deposit estimated by the department and shall be charged at the department's current hourly rate.

A.	Final Inspections	
1.	Single-family residential	\$301.00
2.	All other permits	\$423.00
B.	All other extensions (more than final inspection):	
1.	Single family residential	\$423.00
2.	Temporary mobile home	\$217.00
3.	Temporary hardship mobile home	\$133.00
4.	All other building permits	Current hourly rate
C.	Mechanical permits:	
1.	Single Family residential	\$133.00
2.	Other permits final only	\$241.00
3.	Other permits full mechanical system inspection	20% of original permit fee
D.	Fire system permits:	
1.	Single family residential	\$151.00
2.	Final and correction inspections	\$241.00
3.	Full fire inspection	20% of original permit fee
E.	Sign permits	\$151.00
F.	Plats or short plats	\$212.00
G.	Grading or clearing permits:	
1.	residential site	\$212.00
2.	nonresidential site	\$382.00
3.	industrial or mineral extraction sites:	\$892.00
H.	Right-of-way use permits	\$212.00
I.	Temporary use permits - one year renewal	Current hourly rate
J.	Conditional use permits	\$170.00
K.	Variances	\$170.00
L.	Shoreline permits	\$170.00

(Ord. 17224 § 42, 2011; Ord. 16959 § 43, 2010; Ord. 15957 § 24, 2007; Ord. 14683 § 50, 2003; Ord. 14683 § 27, 2003; Ord. 13332 § 48, 1998).

**27.10.425 Investigation of work done without a required permit or approval.** A fixed fee shall be charged for investigation of work done without a required permit or approval.

A.	For building construction or mechanical, fire, or sign installation, the investigation fee shall be equal to the amount of the permit or application fee required by this title.	
B.	Site work	
1.	minor clearing or grading	\$213.00
2.	clearing 1 - 10 hazard trees	\$213.00
3.	clearing 11 - 20 hazard trees	\$425.00
4.	residential development	\$595.00
5.	nonresidential development	\$1,190.00
C.	Work in the right-of-way	\$595.00

(Ord.17224 § 43, 2011).

**27.10.430 General inspections.** A flat fee shall be charged to cover the costs of inspection services when buildings are damaged, require code compliance and verification, are being relocated or demolished.

A. Damage from fire, flood, earthquake, wind or other disasters	\$217.00
B. Minimum housing code	\$217.00
C. Relocation of structure	\$217.00
D. Demolition inspection	\$217.00

(Ord. 15957 § 25, 2007: Ord. 14683 § 28, 2003: Ord. 13332 § 49, 1998).

**27.10.450 Mobile home fees.** A flat fee shall be charged to cover the costs associated with mobile home setup inspections.

A. Mobile home permit inspection	\$380.00
B. Temporary mobile home	\$302.00
C. Temporary mobile home/hardship	\$302.00
D. Noninsignia mobile home	\$302.00

(Ord. 15957 § 26, 2007: Ord. 14683 § 29, 2003: Ord. 13332 § 50, 1998).

**27.10.460 Condominium conversion review and inspection fees.** Review and inspections of condominium conversions shall be charged a fee of one thousand five hundred thirty dollars to cover the costs of plan, code updates, monitoring of relocation assistance and other administrative requirements. A fee of three hundred forty dollars shall be charge for resubmittal of plans. (Ord. 16959 § 44, 2010: Ord. 15957 § 27, 2007: Ord. 14683 § 30, 2003: Ord. 13332 § 51, 1998).

**27.10.500 Supplemental inspection and reinspection.** If inspections are required in addition to what would normally be required, supplemental inspection and reinspection fees shall be charged as follows.

A. Supplemental inspections	Current hourly rate
B. Building permit reinspection, each:	
1. Building permit	\$217.00
2. Mechanical permit	\$184.00
3. Fire system permit	\$217.00
C. Site development permit reinspection, each:	
1. Residential	\$297.00
2. Other	\$552.00

(Ord. 17224 § 44, 2011: Ord. 15957 § 28, 2007: Ord. 14683 § 31, 2003: Ord. 13996 § 10, 2000: [Ord. 13664 § 11, 1999, repealed by Ord. 13996 § 13, 2000]: Ord. 13332 § 52, 1998).

**27.10.510 Certification of compliance or completion.** Certificates of compliance or completion shall require a fixed fee to cover the administrative and clerical costs to the department of processing and issuing the certificate.

A. Temporary occupancy permit per building or tenant space	\$344.00
B. Occupancy permit when more than one building per permit	\$344.00
C. Occupancy permit for individual condominiums or other portions of building	\$157.00
D. Letter of completion for shell construction when more than one building per permit	\$344.00

(Ord. 15957 § 29, 2007: Ord. 14683 § 32, 2003: Ord. 13332 § 53, 1998).

**27.10.550 Preissuance construction authorization (PICA) inspections - fees.** A fixed fee of one thousand two hundred dollars shall be charged for processing and review of preissuance construction authorization. Building and site inspections shall be charged at the department's current hourly rate (Ord. 16959 § 45, 2010: Ord. 14683 § 51, 2003: Ord. 14683 § 33, 2003: Ord. 13332 § 54, 1998).

**Chapter 27.36**  
**ZONING AND LAND USE PERMIT**

**Sections:**

27.36.040 Site-specific shorelines redesignation fee.

**27.36.040 Site-specific shorelines redesignation fee.** A site-specific shorelines redesignation, whether generated by an applicant or initiated by motion, is subject to application and review fees as provided in this title. The property owner shall be responsible for payment of the fees unless the council approves an appropriation ordinance to fund the review. If the property owner does not agree to payment of the fees, the redesignation shall not be processed. (Ord. 13687 § 8, 1999).

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**Chapter 27.44**  
**SCHOOL IMPACT FEES**

**Sections:**

27.44.010 School impact fees.

**27.44.010 School impact fees.**

A. The following school impact fees shall be assessed for the indicated types of development:

SCHOOL DISTRICT	SINGLE FAMILY per dwelling unit	MULTIFAMILY per dwelling unit
Auburn, No. 408	\$5,557	\$2,305
Enumclaw, No. 216	7,295	2,565
Federal Way, No. 210	4,014	1,253
Fife, No. 417	2,945	1,632
Highline, No. 401	0	0
Issaquah, No. 411	3,568	0
Kent, No. 415	5,486	3,378
Lake Washington, No. 414	7,090	433
Northshore, No. 417	0	0
Renton, No. 403	6,392	1,274
Riverview, No. 407	0	0
Snoqualmie Valley No. 410	8,504	2,743
Tahoma, No. 409	7,896	3,063

B. The county's costs of administering the school impact fee program shall be sixty-five dollars per dwelling unit and shall be paid by the applicant to the county as part of the development application fee.

C. The school impact fees established in subsection A. of this section take effect January 1, 2012. (Ord. 17220 § 14, 2011: Ord. 16963 § 13, 2010: Ord. 16698 § 12, 2009: Ord. 16311 § 13, 2008: Ord. 15965 § 12, 2007: Ord. 15636 § 11, 2006: Ord. 15331 § 10, 2005: Ord. 15076 § 11, 2004: Ord. 14802 § 12, 2003: Ord. 14525 § 13, 2002: Ord. 14258 § 13, 2001: Ord. 14009 § 13, 2000: Ord. 13686 § 1, 1999: Ord. 13673 § 14, 1999: Ord. 13338 § 14, 1998: Ord. 12928 § 13, 1997: Ord. 12532 § 13, 1996: Ord. 12063 § 12, 1995: Ord. 11569 § 11, 1994: Ord. 11148 § 3, 1993: Ord. 11037 § 6, 1993: Ord. 10982 § 3, 1993: Ord. 10790 § 3, 1993: Ord. 10722 § 4, 1993: Ord. 10633 § 3, 1992: Ord. 10472 § 3, 1992: Ord. 10470 § 3, 1992: Ord. 10162 § 20, 1991: Ord. 10122 § 2, 1991).

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**Chapter 27.46**  
**URBAN PLAN DEVELOPMENT PERMIT FEES**

**Sections:**

27.46.010 Urban plan development permit fees.

**27.46.010 Urban Plan Development permit fees.** Fees shall be assessed and collected to compensate King County for the review and monitoring of all urban plan development permit and associated applications when combined in a single coordinated review, pursuant to the provisions of K.C.C. Title 21A. Such fees compensate for preapplication review, application, and monitoring and compliance.

A. Preapplication fees. Preapplication fees shall compensate the department for preliminary review and evaluation of urban plan development permits and for advising the permit applicant prior to the submittal of a formal application for a permit. Preapplication fees shall be collected at the time preapplication review services are rendered and shall be an hourly charge at the department's current hourly rate.

B. Urban plan development permit application fees. Urban plan development application fees shall be an hourly fee to cover the costs of application intake, development of a scope of work and all work performed under the scope of work. A deposit shall be made at the time of application as a guarantee of work billed in arrears. The hourly fee shall be billed monthly. The scope of work shall include a complete description of the required reviews and products to be prepared by all affected county agencies, or contract agents for such agencies, specifying the amount and type of work task up to the final decision on the all urban plan development permit by the council. The scope of work shall be agreed upon in writing by the applicant and the department before starting any review work on the all urban plan development permit application.

C. Urban plan development monitoring and compliance fee. An hourly monitoring and compliance fee shall be collected to compensate the department for reviews, inspections, and project management activities associated with the approved all urban plan development permit. The fee will be used for determining, ensuring, and enforcing compliance with conditions placed on the all urban plan development or as required to maintain monitoring of specific conditions or compliance with other county code requirements. (Ord. 13332 § 62, 1998; Ord. 10662 § 37, 1992).

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**Chapter 27.50**  
**APPEALS - PROJECT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM PERMIT FEE ESTIMATES**

**Sections:**

- 27.50.010 Necessary conditions.
- 27.50.020 Fee estimate dispute - procedure - appeal.
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- 27.50.040 Notice of completion or permit issuance.
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- 27.50.060 Project managed permit or approval - appeal - combined notice and statement of appeal - fee waiver request - procedure - notice - decisions.
- 27.50.070 Non-project managed permit or approval - appeal - fee waiver request - procedure - notice - decisions.
- 27.50.080 Permit billing fees appeal - procedure - burden - decisions.
- 27.50.090 Limitations on appeal - subject matter.
- 27.50.100 Billing fee disputes for billings issued between January 1, 2004, and March 17, 2008 - deadlines.

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**27.50.010 Necessary conditions.** A permit applicant may appeal to the hearing examiner permit fee estimates, including estimate revisions, issued by the department under the project management program only if:

A. The department required the applicant to pay in advance all or a portion of the fee estimate; and

B. The applicant had first filed a fee estimate dispute with the director, who denied all or a portion of the applicant's request. (Ord. 16026 § 10, 2008).

**27.50.020 Fee estimate dispute - procedure - appeal.** An applicant disputing a fee estimate must do so in writing filed with the department not later than seventeen days after the date that the department mailed the fee estimate letter or estimate revision to the applicant. Within fourteen days after the applicant files the fee estimate dispute with the department, the department shall mail the director's decision on the fee estimate dispute to the applicant. The director's decision shall be final unless the applicant then files a written combined notice and statement of appeal with the director, together with the required appeal fee, not later than seventeen days after the department mailed the director's decision to the applicant. The applicant may only appeal an adverse decision, in which the director has denied all or a portion of the applicant's dispute. The department shall forward a copy of the combined notice and statement of appeal to the hearing examiner. The department shall also preserve the record, and comply with the appeal provisions in K.C.C. 20.24.090.D. (Ord. 16026 § 11, 2008).

**27.50.030 Fees estimate or estimate revision appeal - procedure - burden - decisions.** The examiner shall conduct a closed record hearing on the appeal of a fee estimate or estimate revision. The burden is on the applicant to demonstrate that the fee estimate or estimate revision is unreasonable. The examiner shall affirm the decision of the director unless the examiner determines that the director's decision was unreasonable. Upon determining that a decision of the director was unreasonable, the examiner shall modify the fee estimate, order the department to modify the fee estimate in accordance with the examiner's ruling, or provide such other relief as reasonably necessary. The examiner's decision is final. If the examiner determines that the applicant is the substantial prevailing party, the department shall refund the appeal fee. (Ord. 16026 § 12, 2008).

**27.50.040 Notice of completion or permit issuance.** Except where the department imposed no permit fee, the department shall provide the applicant, either in person or by United States mail, with a written notice of completion or permit issuance document when it has completed all necessary work on any building or land use permit or approval. The notice of completion or permit issuance document shall inform the applicant of the right to appeal permit billings under this chapter and shall provide notice of the appeal deadlines established in this chapter. (Ord. 16026 § 13, 2008).

**27.50.050 Permit billing fees - appeal.** An applicant may appeal to the hearing examiner permit fee billings issued by the department. On project managed permits and approvals, the applicant may only appeal after the department has provided a notice of completion or permit issuance document. On non-project managed permits and approvals, the applicant may only appeal after the department has issued an adverse decision by the director on a fee waiver request under K.C.C. 27.02.040 and has provided a notice of completion or permit issuance document. The applicant may not challenge a permit fee estimate or estimate revision in any appeal provided for by this section. (Ord. 16959 § 46, 2010; Ord. 16959 § 46, 2010; Ord. 16026 § 14, 2008).

**27.50.060 Project managed permit or approval - appeal - combined notice and statement of appeal - fee - procedure - notice - decisions.**

A. An applicant appealing any billing on a project managed permit or approval must file a written combined notice and statement of appeal with the director, together with the required appeal fee not later than twenty-one days after the date the department issues the written notice of completion or permit issuance document to the applicant. The department shall forward the combined notice and statement of appeal to the hearing examiner. The department shall also preserve the record, and comply with the appeal provisions outlined in K.C.C. 20.24.090.D.

B. The director shall respond to the combined notice and statement of appeal filed under this section within twenty-one days after the combined notice and statement is filed with the department. The director shall determine whether to grant, partially grant, or deny the billing appeal. The department shall mail the director's decision to the applicant and the examiner. If the director grants the appeal of the billing, the examiner shall dismiss the appeal and the department shall refund the applicant's appeal fee. If the director partially grants or denies the applicant's billing appeal request, the examiner shall conduct an open record hearing, and affirm, modify or reverse the decision of the director. (Ord. 16026 § 15, 2008).

**27.50.070 Non-project managed permit or approval - appeal - fee waiver request - procedure - notice - decisions.**

A. Before appealing any billing on a non-project managed permit or approval, an applicant must first file a fee waiver request as provided in K.C.C. 27.02.040, no later than twenty-one calendar days after the department issues the notice of completion or permit issuance document. Within fourteen days after the applicant files the fee waiver request with the department, the department shall mail the director's decision on the fee waiver request to the applicant.

B. The director's fee waiver decision is final unless the applicant then files with the director a combined written notice and statement of appeal of the billing, together with the required appeal fee, within twenty-one calendar days after the later of the date the department issues the notice of completion or permit issuance document or the date the department mails the fee waiver response. The department shall forward the combined notice and statement of appeal to the hearing examiner. The department shall also preserve the record. The examiner shall conduct an open record hearing, and affirm, modify or reverse the decision of the director. (Ord. 16959 § 47, 2010; Ord. 16026 § 16, 2008).

**27.50.080 Permit billing fees appeal - procedure - burden - decisions.** In an appeal of department billings under sections K.C.C. 27.50.050, 27.50.060 and 27.50.070, the burden is on the applicant to prove that the particular billing or fee was unreasonable or inconsistent with this title. If the applicant fails to meet that burden, the examiner shall affirm the decision of the director. If the examiner determines that a particular billing or fee was unreasonable or inconsistent with the provisions of this title, the examiner shall modify the fee or billing, order the department to modify the fee or billing in accordance with the examiner's ruling, or provide such other relief as reasonably necessary. If the examiner determines that the applicant is the substantial prevailing party, the department shall refund the appeal fee. The examiner's decision is final. (Ord. 16026 § 17, 2008).

**27.50.090 Limitations on appeals - subject matter.** In an appeal under this chapter, the applicant may only challenge the department's application of the development permit fees provided for in this title to the applicant's permit and approval. The applicant may not challenge in an appeal under this chapter the development permit fees as adopted by the council and codified in this title, or any other King County Code requirement, including any land use provision. (Ord. 16026 § 18, 2008).

**27.50.100 Billing fee disputes for billings issued between January 1, 2004, and March 17, 2008 - deadlines.**

A. Applicants with fee disputes on billings that the agency first issued between January 1, 2004, and March 17, 2008 may, for one year after March 17, 2008, commence billing appeals under this chapter.

B. For any project managed permit or approval, the applicant must, within the one-year period under subsection A. of this section, file a notice of appeal together with the required appeal fee. The applicant must also file a statement of appeal no later than thirty days after filing the notice of appeal.

C. For any non-project managed permit or approval, if the applicant has not done so already, the applicant must, within the one-year period under subsection A. of this section, file a fee waiver request, in accordance with K.C.C. 27.02.040. The applicant must then file a timely appeal together with the required appeal fee, as provided in K.C.C. 27.50.070. (Ord. 16026 § 19, 2008).

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