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(Bill No. 170167)

AN ORDINANCE

Amending Subcode “A” (The Philadelphia Administrative Code) of Title 4 of The Philadelphia Code (The Building, Construction and Occupancy Code), by adding and revising various provisions related to fees for permits, licenses, certificates, appeals and services; and making technical changes; all under certain terms and conditions.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Subcode “A” of Title 4 of The Philadelphia Code is amended to read as follows:

SUBCODE "A" (THE PHILADELPHIA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE)

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CHAPTER 9 FEES

SECTION A-901 GENERAL

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A-901.3 Multiple fees: The payment of the fee for a particular permit, license or service shall not relieve the permit holder, license holder or applicant from the payment of fees that are prescribed for other permits, licenses and services associated with the *activity*, project or premises.

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A-901.7 Filing fees: The department is authorized to require [a] non-refundable [filing] *application* fees to be charged upon application for permits *and licenses*. The amount of [the] *such* fees shall be [determined] *as set forth in this Chapter or as otherwise established* by regulations of the department. [Such filing] *Payment of such* fees shall be applied as a credit [to the appropriate] *upon charge for the applicable permit or license* fee.

A-901.8 Rough-in permits: The Department is authorized to issue permits for the rough-in of various utility systems, service systems and other building systems or elements as authorized by the Department from time to time, where such work is applied for in

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advance of the application for the complete system or element installation. Each type of system or element shall be applied for separately and shall require a permit fee of ~~[\$125.00]~~ \$150.

A-901.9 Annual permits: Where annual permits are issued pursuant to Section A-302.7, the fee shall be ~~[\$1250.00]~~ \$1350 per [annum] year, payable on a schedule established by the Department.

A-901.10 Accelerated plan review: The department is authorized to provide accelerated review of plans associated with the issuance of any permit required under Title 4 or 14 of this Code. The fee for this service shall be in addition to any permit fee set forth in this Chapter. The fee shall be paid at the time an accelerated review is requested, and is not refundable. The fees for accelerated reviews shall be established by the department by regulation and published in appropriate schedules.

A-901.10.1 Accelerated zoning plan review: Upon payment of the fee, the department shall complete its plan review of any zoning application that is subject to civic design review under § 14-304(5) and issue a decision no later than ten business days after submission of a complete application, absent an emergency that would prevent such completion.

A-901.11 Administrative fees: [For] *Fees for* items that require the Department to [perform administratively] *provide non-routine or personalized administrative services,* [the fee schedule is listed below, provided, however, that the] *shall be as follows.* The Department is authorized to *revise such fees or establish fees* by regulation [an alternative fee] for any [such activities, which alternative fee shall supersede the fee listed below] *other similar services to cover the costs of program administration.* The fee for services that are provided shall be in addition to any permit or license fee set forth in this Chapter or as required by an Act of the Commonwealth.

For amending or transferring permits \$50.00

[For review of building plans and department records more than one year old
.\$50.00]

For copies of licenses, permits and certificates \$15.00

For replacement of a photo ID license, certificate or permit \$25.00

For processing a permit extension request *before permit expiration.* \$50.00

Exception: Owner occupied one-family dwellings No fee

For processing a permit reinstatement request \$50.00

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Exception: Owner occupied one-family dwellings No fee

[For the review of a zoning archive file \$50.00]

[For the first twelve pages of copies made from the contents of one zoning record
No fee]

[For each additional page copied from a zoning record \$1.00]

For the electronic storage of building plans for future retrieval \$4.00 per page

For the issuance of each approved permit for which a surcharge is [otherwise] required pursuant to Act 157 of 2006 \$3.00 per permit

A-901.12 Inspection fee: The Department is authorized to charge inspection fees in accordance with Sections A-901.12.1 through A-901.12.3.

A-901.12.1 [Reinspection] *Permit reinspection* fee: The Department is authorized to charge a reinspection fee of \$100.00 for each additional inspection that is required as a result of the need to re-schedule a scheduled *permit* inspection for one or more of the following reasons, and the Department shall have the discretion to require that such fee be paid in advance of any re-inspection:

1. The work is not constructed in accordance with the applicable code;
2. The work is not ready for inspection;
3. Access to the work to be inspected is not provided [.]; *or*
4. *A violation of the code is observed during a permit inspection.*

A-901.12.2 Code violation reinspection fee: When, upon reinspection, the Department determines that [work or] a condition previously found not in compliance with a provision of the technical codes or regulations promulgated thereunder continues not to be in compliance, the Department is authorized to charge a further reinspection fee for all second and subsequent reinspections, as follows:

Second reinspection [\$75.00] *\$100*

Third reinspection [\$150.00] *\$200*

Fourth and subsequent reinspections [\$300.00] *\$350*

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A-901.12.3 [Overtime] *After hours inspection* fee: [An overtime] A fee of [\$50.00] \$60 per hour, with a minimum charge of four hours, shall be charged to any person requesting an inspection *be performed* at any time other than [normal] *ordinary* working [inspection] hours *for inspections*.

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A-901.15 License and permit fee revisions: The Department, by regulations effective on or after July 1, 2018, is authorized to revise the fees established in Sections A-901 through A-907 of this Chapter, or adopt fees not otherwise provided for in such sections, based upon the costs to administer and enforce the applicable programs and services, provided that no fee shall be increased to an amount higher than the fee as it existed on July 1, 2017, multiplied by the CPI Multiplier, as defined in Section 9-102 of the Code, and further provided that regulations adopted pursuant to the authority to establish and revise fees as set forth in Subsection A-901.11 may be effective on or after March 1, 2017.

A-901.15.1 A schedule of all current fees shall be maintained on the Department's website.

SECTION A-902 BUILDING, FUEL GAS AND MECHANICAL CODE FEES

A-902.1 General: Fees for permits, appeals, certificates and administrative services related to activity regulated by the Building, Fuel Gas and Mechanical Codes shall be as set forth in this Section.

A-902.2 Construction: Permit fees for new construction, additions, alterations, demolition, occupancy and repairs shall be as set forth in Sections A-902.2.1, except as otherwise specified in Sections A-902.2.2 through [A-902.2.10] A-902.2.8.

A-902.2.1 Constructed area: The permit fee for new construction, additions, alterations and repairs shall be based on the constructed area as follows:

For new construction and additions:

500 square feet or less [\$150.00] \$200

Greater than 500 square feet [\$150.00] \$200 plus [\$50.00] \$58 for each additional 100 square feet or fraction thereof above 500 square feet

Exceptions:

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1. For *new construction* of [Group R-3 and U Occupancies] *one- or two-family dwellings*:

Each building \$1050

2. For *additions and structures accessory to existing one- and two-family dwellings*:

500 square feet or less [\$50.00] \$60

Greater than 500 square feet [\$50.00] \$60 plus [\$40.00] \$45 for each additional 100 square feet or fraction thereof above 500 square feet

[2.] 3. For [Manufactured and Industrialized Housing] *modular construction of one- and two-family dwellings* pursuant to the Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Authorization Act, Act 192 of 1982, P.L. 676 (35 P.S. §§ 1656.1 – 1656.9) and the Industrialized Housing Act, Act 70 of 1972, P.L. 286 (35 P.S. §§ 1651.1 – 1651.12) respectively, the building permit fee shall be [\$350.00] \$450 per building.

4. For *construction of industrialized buildings other than one- and two-family dwellings pursuant to the Industrialized Housing Act, Act 70 of 1972, P.L. 286 (35 P.S. §§ 1651.1 – 1651.12) and related rules and regulations, the building permit fee shall be \$900 per building.*

[3.] 5. For initial tenant fit-out of a newly constructed building the fee shall be [\$10.00] \$13 per 100 square feet or fraction thereof with a minimum fee of [\$100.00] \$150.

For alterations and repairs, *including the installation of decks*:

500 square feet or less [\$150.00] \$200

Greater than 500 square feet [\$150.00] \$200 plus [\$40.00] \$48 for each additional 100 square feet or fraction thereof above 500 square feet

Exceptions:

1. For [Group R-3 and U Occupancies] *one- or two-family dwellings*:

500 square feet or less [\$50.00] \$60

Greater than 500 square feet [\$50.00] \$60 plus [\$40.00] \$45 for each additional 100 square feet or fraction thereof above 500 square feet

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2. For alterations and repairs, the permit fee shall, at the applicant's selection, be based upon 2% of the contract value for construction regulated by the Building, Fuel Gas and Mechanical Codes, when such value is substantiated by the submission of a valid contract, except that the minimum fee shall be [~~\$100.00~~] *\$200*.

A-902.2.2 Demolition: Fees for permits for *complete* demolition shall be [~~\$15.00~~] *\$20* per 100 square feet or fraction thereof, but shall not exceed [~~\$37,500~~] *\$40,000*. *The minimum fee shall be \$200.*

Exception:

For the demolition of non-bearing partitions the fee shall be as follows:

In space 4,000 square feet or less [~~\$50.00~~] *\$60*

In space more than 4,000 square feet [~~\$50.00~~] *\$60* plus [~~\$3.00~~] *\$4* per each additional 100 square feet above 4,000 square feet

A-902.2.3 Minor Alterations: Where the scope of the work to be performed is limited to the items listed below, the fees shall be as set forth in Sections A-902.2.3.1 through A-902.2.3.5.

Exception: The fee for each of the following for a one- or two-family dwelling shall be \$55.

A-902.2.3.1 For exterior wall covering:

4000 square feet or less [~~\$50.00~~] *\$60*

More than 4000 square feet [~~\$50.00~~] *\$60* plus [~~\$3.00~~] *\$4* per each additional 100 square feet above 4000 square feet

A-902.2.3.2 For replacement of roof covering:

4000 square feet or less [~~\$50.00~~] *\$60*

More than 4000 square feet [~~\$50.00~~] *\$60* plus *\$3.00* per each additional 100 square feet above 4000 square feet

A-902.2.3.3 For replacement of windows and doors:

20 openings or less [~~\$50.00~~] *\$60*

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More than 20 openings \$.[\$50.00] \$60 plus [\$3.00] \$4 per each additional opening above 20 openings

A-902.2.3.4 For replacement of [a] porch *or deck* flooring having a maximum area of:

200 square feet [\$50.00] \$60

A-902.2.3.5 For the installation of roll-down security gates:

For each gate [\$50.00] \$60

A-902.2.4 Foundation-only permits: [A building permit fee of \$100.00 shall be paid prior to the issuance of a permit] *Fees for permits* for the installation of foundations [.] *shall be based on the constructed area as follows:*

500 square feet or less \$200

501 to 2500 square feet \$350

More than 2,500 square feet \$600

A-902.2.5 Miscellaneous items: Fees for miscellaneous items shall be as listed below:

Exception: The fee for each of the following for [a property in Group R-3 occupancy] *one- or two-family dwellings* shall be [\$50.00] \$55.

Antennas – Roof- or ground-mounted (each) [\$100.00] \$110

Canopies (each) [\$100.00] \$125

Fence walls – Concrete and masonry [\$100.00] \$110

Fences (each) – Non-masonry, exceeding 6 feet high [\$100.00] \$110

[Harbor structures without buildings (each) \$500.00]

Installation, removal or filling with inert material of flammable or combustible liquid storage tanks: (each tank) [\$100.00] \$125

[Marquees (each) \$200.00]

[Outdoor decks (each) \$100.00]

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[Ramps \$100.00]

Retaining walls more than two feet *but less than 4 feet* above the lower ground level
[\$100.00] \$125

Retaining walls 4 feet or more above the lower ground level . . . \$200

Sidewalk and shelter platforms (each)[\$100.00] \$125

Signs:

Accessory \$200.00

Outdoor advertising devices \$250.00

Site preparation (clearing, grubbing and earth movement):

Areas not exceeding [20,000] *15,000* square feet \$100.00

Areas in excess of [20,000] *15,000* square feet \$100.00 plus \$5.00 per each additional 1,000 square feet in excess of [20,000] *15,000* square feet *with a maximum fee of \$5,000.*

Swimming pools[\$100.00] \$200

Tower cranes (when submitted as a separate permit application) . . . \$250

A-902.2.6 Fire Suppression Equipment: For the installation or alteration of fire suppression systems, the fee shall be as follows, except that the minimum fee shall be [\$100.00] \$150:

Exception: For the installation of a complete fire sprinkler system within a one- or two-family dwelling the fee shall be \$150.

For each sprinkler head or suppression nozzle [\$10.00] \$12

For the installation of a backflow prevention device on a fire suppression system (where presented as a separate permit) [\$100.00] \$125

For each standpipe riser (per floor) [\$50.00] \$60

For each yard hydrant [\$50.00] \$60

For each fire pump [\$250.00] \$275

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For commercial cooking extinguishing systems (each) [\$100.00] \$125

A-902.2.6.1 Minor alterations: Fees for minor alterations to fire suppression systems shall be as listed below:

Exception: The fee for a one- or two-family dwelling shall be \$55.

For relocation of fire sprinklers:

20 sprinklers or less [\$50.00] \$60

More than 20 sprinklers [\$50.00] \$60 plus [\$3.00] \$4 per each additional sprinkler above 20

A-902.2.7 Mechanical Systems:

A-902.2.7.1 For the installation *or alteration* of mechanical systems with ductwork, *including connected appliances*, the fee shall be [\$10.00] \$12 for each register or diffuser served by the ductwork, except that the minimum fee shall be [\$100.00] \$150.

Exception: For the installation of a complete heating and/or cooling system, including fuel gas piping and appliances, within a one- or two-family dwelling, the fee shall be \$150.

A-902.2.7.2 For the installation of fuel gas piping systems and equipment as regulated by the Philadelphia International Fuel Gas Code, *including connected appliances*, the fee shall be 2% of the contract value for construction when such value is substantiated by the submission of a valid contract, except that the minimum fee shall be [\$100.00] \$150.

Exception: The fee for alterations in a [Group R-3 occupancy] one- or two-family dwelling shall be [\$50.00] \$55.

A-902.2.7.3 For the installation *or replacement* of appliances regulated by the mechanical code *or fuel gas code* such as fireplaces (masonry and factory built), boilers, air conditioning units and heat pumps *where presented as a separate permit application*, the fee shall be [\$100.00] \$125 for each appliance.

Exception: The fee for [Group R-3 occupancy] one- or two-family dwelling shall be [\$50.00] \$55 for each appliance.

A-902.2.7.4 For the installation of commercial cooking exhaust systems and related components the fee shall be [\$100.00] \$125 per hood.

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A-902.2.7.5 Minor alterations: Fees for minor alterations to mechanical systems shall be as listed below:

A-902.2.7.5.1 For relocation of HVAC diffusers or registers with flexible connectors:

20 units or less [\$50.00] \$60

More than 20 units [\$50.00] \$60 plus \$3.00 per each additional unit above 20

A-902.2.7.5.2 For *direct vent heating apparatus, or* warm air heating apparatus installation connected to a flue or chimney:

Each unit [\$50.00] \$60

Exception: The fee for one- or two-family dwelling shall be \$55 for each apparatus.

A-902.2.7.5.3 For the installation of ductwork within a single tenant space and the capacity of the equipment is equal to or less than 2000 cfm:

Each installation[\$50.00] \$60

A-902.2.8 [Fast Track Permits: For the review of documents submitted under the Fast Track Residential Reconstruction Program, a processing fee of \$200.00 shall be added to the building permit fee.]

[A-902.2.9 Pre-paid Permits: The department is authorized to print application blanks which shall be sold to licensed contractors in the amount of \$25.00 and \$100.00 each. Such applications, when completed by the contractor, shall be accepted for specific types of work as determined by the department.]

[A-902.2.10] Undetermined items: For items of construction or alteration that are not included in Sections A-902.2.1 through [A-902.2.9] A-902.2.7, the fee shall be two percent of the total value of construction, but not less than [\$100.00] \$125.

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A-902.4 Approval fee schedule: For items submitted to the department for approval, the fees shall be as set forth in Sections A-902.4.1 through A-902.4.4.

A-902.4.1 Preliminary review: For the examination of each set of preliminary drawings, specifications and computations:

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Tenant spaces, individual floors or buildings equal to or less than three stories:
[\$300.00] \$350

Each additional story: [\$50.00] \$75

A-902.4.2 New methods and/or materials of construction: For each application for approval of construction material or technique: \$500.00 for the initial application and \$150.00 dollars for each subsequent year where recurring information is required to be reviewed by the department.

A-902.4.3 [Duplicate set of construction drawings: For the approval of a duplicate set of construction drawings, subsequent to issuance of the building permit, a fee of \$10.00 per sheet shall be paid. The minimum fee for such an approval is \$50.00.

A-902.4.4] Approval of revised drawings: For the review of revised drawings subsequent to issuance of the building permit, a fee of [\$10.00] \$20 per sheet shall be paid. The fee shall be based on the total number of sheets contained on one of the three sets of revised drawings submitted for review. The minimum fee for such approval is [\$50.00] \$75.

Exception: [There will be no charge] *The fee* for the review of revised drawings submitted for existing owner occupied [Group R-3] one- or two-family dwellings, including those that contain a Family Day Care Home *shall be* \$25.

A-902.5 Appeals: For an appeal to the Board of Building Standards to request a variance, the fee schedule is as follows:

Note: For the purpose of calculating the fee for an appeal to the Board of Building Standards, a story shall be any level of floor area either at, above or below grade.

For *existing* [Group R-3,] one- or two-family dwellings, including those that contain a Family Day Care Home: \$50.00

For [occupancy Groups other than R-3] *all buildings other than existing one- or two-family dwellings*, the fee schedule is based on the building area affected by the refusal, as follows:

Less than five stories in height and less than 30,000 square feet aggregate floor area [\$100.00] \$200

Five or more stories in height or more than 30,000 square feet aggregate floor area [\$500.00] \$600

For special hearings before the Board of Building Standards [\$1,500.00] \$1,700

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A-902.6 Certificate fee schedule: For items where the department issues certifications, the fees shall be as set forth in Section A-902.6.1 through A-902.6.5. These fees shall be paid at the time of filing the application.

A-902.6.1 Certificate of occupancy: For the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy the fee schedule is as follows:

As part of the Building Permit No Fee

Application for a "Certificate of Occupancy" only[\$100.00] \$200

Application for a "Temporary Certificate of Occupancy" *for a permitted construction project*[\$250.00] \$300

Application for a "Temporary Certificate of Occupancy" for a special event \$400

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A-902.6.5 Lawful Occupancy sign: For the review of plans for the initial issue of Lawful Occupancy signs when not part of plan review for building permit and/or Certificate of Occupancy, the fee shall be [\$100] \$150 per [building] *space*.

SECTION A-903 ELECTRICAL CODE FEES

A-903.1 General: Fees for permits and licenses related to activity regulated by the Electrical Code shall be as set forth in this Section. *All application fees for licenses under this Section shall be credited toward the annual license fee if the license is issued.*

A-903.2 Electrical permit fees: The permit fee for electrical work shall be \$25.00 for each \$1,000.00 or fraction thereof of estimated electrical construction costs. The minimum fee shall be [\$25.00] \$50. The maximum fee shall be [\$7,500.00] \$15,000. Except as provided in Section A-903.2.1, the construction costs shall be determined by inclusion of the following:

1. All electrical equipment, conductors, conduit, etc.,
2. All material,
3. All labor,
4. Overhead and profit.

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[A-903.2.2 Pre-paid permits: The department is authorized to print application blanks which shall be sold to licensed electrical contractors in the amount of \$25.00 and \$50.00 each. Such completed applications shall be accepted by the department for specific types of alteration projects to be determined by the department.]

A-903.3 Electrical inspection [agent] *agency* license: The license fee for an electrical inspection agency shall be [\$1,500.00 for the first year and \$1,900.00 for each subsequent year] \$2,000, payable annually. *In addition to the license fee there shall be a non-refundable initial application fee of \$200.*

A-903.4 Electrical inspector license: The fees for obtaining and renewing a license as an electrical inspector shall be as follows:

1. *Non-refundable* [A]application fee: [\$50.00] \$60
2. Initial license and annual renewals: \$100.00

A-903.5 Electrical contractor license: The fees for obtaining and renewing a license as an electrical contractor shall be as follows:

1. *Non-refundable* [A]application fee: [\$50.00] \$60
2. Initial license and annual renewals: [\$150.00] \$160

The application fees are in addition to any fees charged by an agency which the department authorizes to administer the examination.

SECTION A-904 FIRE CODE FEES

A-904.1 General: Fees for permits, licenses, appeals and services related to activity regulated by the Fire Code shall be as set forth in this Section. *All application fees for licenses under this Section shall be credited toward the annual license fee if the license is issued.*

A-904.2 Operational permit: The fee for an Operational Permit shall be based on the [number of] operations listed in Section F-105.6 of the Fire Code [per property] as follows:

[Family Child Day Care Home \$50.00

All other occupancies :

From one to three operations \$75.00

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- From four to six operations \$150.00
- More than six operations \$225.00]
- 1. *Cutting, welding and other open burning (not licensed pursuant to A-904.4) \$75 per property*
- 2. *Temporary membrane structures, tents and canopies (to include any required Lawful Occupancy Signs) \$100 per tent*
- 3. *Use of explosives \$150 per event*
- 4. *Sale of fireworks \$150 per property*

A-904.3 Assisted operation permit: The fee for an Assisted Operation Permit *for fireworks and other pyrotechnic displays* shall be [\$300.00 per item as follows:]

[1. Fireworks Display – Per event, provided that where a single show has a series of performance dates in a theater, sports arena or similar venue, such series of dates shall be considered one event for the purposes of the Assisted Operation Permit, provided there is no change from the approved fireworks or pyrotechnic displays] *\$350 per event.*

A-904.4 Trade license: The annual fee for a Trade or Practice License shall be [\$75.00 for a Category I license and \$200.00 for a Category II license] as follows:

[Category]

1. Fire Suppression Systems *Contractor*

[1. ContractingII]

a. *Non-refundable application fee of \$100*

b. *Annual license fee of \$250*

2. Fire Alarm Systems Inspector [.II]

a. *Non-refundable application fee of \$100*

b. *Annual license fee of \$225*

3. Welding or Cutting [.I] *Operations*

a. *Non-refundable application fee of \$100*

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- b. Annual license fee of \$100*
- 4. [Use of Explosives] *Wrecking and salvage yards, tire storage facilities, junk yards and waste material handling facilities*
 - a. Non-refundable application fee of \$100*
 - b. Annual license fee of \$300*
- 5. *Repair garages and motor fuel dispensing facilities*
 - a. Non-refundable application fee of \$100*
 - b. Annual license fee of \$200*

A-904.5 [Trade license application. The fee for a Trade or Practice License application and examination shall be \$50.00. for the first examination and \$25.00 for each subsequent examination for the following:

- 1. Tank Installation and Repair
- 2. Oil Burner Installation and Repair]

Family Child Day Care Home: The fee for a Family Child Day Care Home License application and examination shall be \$50.

A-904.6 Miscellaneous fees: The fees for services established by, or related to enforcement of the Fire Code shall be as follows:

- 1. [Variance] Appeal to the Board of Safety and Fire Prevention
.[~~\$100.00~~] \$150 per building
- 2. Lawful Occupancy Sign (See A-902.6.5 for initial [use] *issuance*)
.[~~\$20.00~~] \$25 for replacement of a [lost or damaged] *previously issued* sign

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A-904.7 Hazardous Material Handling License. The annual fee for a Hazardous Material Handling License shall be as follows:

Per building or yard [~~\$175.00~~] \$200

SECTION A-905 PLUMBING CODE FEES

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A-905.1 General: Fees for permits and licenses *issued by the department* related to activity regulated by the Plumbing Code shall be as set forth in this Section.

A-905.2 Fixture defined: For the purposes of this Section, the term "fixture" shall mean:

- [1. Any receptacle, attached to the house drainage system directly or indirectly for receiving drainage from inside or outside of the building; and
2. Any connection provided for making a fixture adjustment for such receptacle; and
3. Each privy well; and
4. Each drainage well; and
5. Each sewage disposal plant.]

A receptacle or device that is connected to a water supply system or discharges to a drainage system or both. Such receptacles or devices require a supply of water; or discharge liquid waste or liquid-borne solid waste; or require a supply of water and discharge waste to a drainage system.

[A-905.2.1 Laundry trays: Laundry trays, whether of one or more compartments, shall be considered as one fixture.]

A-905.3 Plumbing permit fees: The permit fee for plumbing work shall be as specified in Sections A-905.3.1 through A-905.3.4.

A-905.3.1 New building construction and additions: The permit fee for construction of plumbing *systems* in new buildings or additions shall be [\$180.00] \$225 for the first seven fixtures plus [\$18.00] \$20 for each additional fixture, which permit shall authorize the installation of all plumbing for the new construction or addition, *including area drains, roof drains, water distribution pipe, building or house drain, building sewer, building trap and lateral when presented as part of a single permit application.*

Exceptions:

1. The permit fee for the construction of plumbing in additions to a [Group R-3 occupancy] *one- or two-family dwelling* shall be [\$25.00] \$40 for the first seven fixtures plus \$18.00 for each additional fixture, which permit shall authorize the installation of all plumbing for the addition.

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2. *The permit fee for construction of plumbing systems that are not parts of structures containing fixtures, such as storm drainage systems, irrigation systems, and other similar systems not directly serving a structure shall be \$225.*
3. *The permit fee for new underground water distribution and drainage systems when submitted as a separate permit application shall be \$200.*

A-905.3.2 Alterations [and] of existing buildings: The permit fee for construction or reconstruction of plumbing in existing buildings shall be [\$100.00] \$150 for the first seven fixtures and [\$15.00] \$18 for each additional fixture. *Such work shall not include replacement of water distribution, building or house drain, building sewer, lateral or building trap.*

Exception: The fee for the first seven fixtures in [Group R-3 occupancy] a one- or two-family dwelling shall be [\$25.00] \$40 and for each additional fixture the fee shall be [\$15.00] \$18.

A-905.3.3 Water distribution: The permit fee for the [installation or] replacement of water distribution pipe from the curb stop or wells to the interior of the building shall be [as follows]:

- 3/4-inch to 1-1/2 inch pipe \$75.00
- 2 and 3-inch pipe \$95.00
- 4-inch and larger pipe \$125.00] \$100.

A-905.3.4 Repair/replacement: For the repair or replacement of the *existing individual* plumbing items listed below, the fee shall be as follows:

Water and/or waste lines, *including stacks* \$100.00 for *each pipe repaired or replaced* [first seven fixtures plus \$15.00 for each additional fixture]

Exception: The fee for [the first seven fixtures in Group R-3 occupancy] a one- or two-family dwelling shall be [\$25.00] \$30 [and for each additional fixture the fee shall be \$15.00].

[Stacks \$50.00

Exception: The fee for Group R-3 occupancy shall be \$25.00.]

House drains, traps and fresh air inlets [\$50.00] \$60

[Exception: The fee for Group R-3 occupancy shall be \$25.00.]

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Area drains, *storm drains* and [rain conductors] *roof drains*[\$50.00] \$60

[Exception: The fee for Group R-3 occupancy shall be \$25.00.]

Laterals [less than or equal to 6 inches]\$50.00 each

Exception: The fee for Group R-3 occupancy shall be \$25.00.]

[Laterals greater than 6 inches]\$100.00

Exception: The fee for Group R-3 occupancy shall be \$50.00.] \$75

[Combination lateral and house trap less than or equal to 6 inches]\$100.00

Exception: The fee for Group R-3 occupancy shall be \$25.00.]

[Combination of a lateral up to 6 inches and a water distribution pipe 3/4 inch or less]\$75.00]

Water heater[\$25.00] \$30

Fixture replacement (no piping)[\$50.00] \$60 for first seven fixtures plus \$5.00 for each additional fixture

Exception: The fee for [Group R-3 occupancy] *a one- or two-family dwelling* shall be \$25.00.

SECTION A-906 PROPERTY LICENSE FEES

A-906.1 General: Fees for licenses related to activity regulated by Chapter 9-3900 ("Property Licenses and Owner Accountability") shall be as set forth in this Section.

A-906.2 Rental license: The annual license fee for a rental license issued under § 9-3902 shall be [\$50.00] \$55 for each dwelling or rooming unit with a maximum annual fee of [\$20,000] \$22,000 per dwelling.

A-906.2.1 Owner unit exemption: For [one and] two-family dwellings, the [\$50.00] \$55 license fee is waived for a dwelling unit occupied by an owner listed on the title deed to the property.

A-906.2.2 Agency fee: The maximum annual aggregate fee paid by an agency or authority in the business of providing low cost or public housing shall be \$250,000.00.

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A-906.3 Vacant property license: The annual license fee for a vacant lot license issued under § 9-3904, for a vacant structure license issued under § 9-3905, or for a vacant waterfront structure license issued under § 9-3906, shall be [~~\$300.00~~] *\$160*.

A-906.4 Removal of exemption: The license for the proper number of units shall be obtained and the related fee paid not later than ten days following the vacating by an owner of a unit exempted by Section A-906.2.1.

SECTION A-907 ZONING FEES

A-907.1 General: The fees to be paid under the requirements of Title 14 (relating to Zoning) shall be as set forth in this Section, except that:

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A-907.1.1 Permit fees: The schedule of fees for permits that are issued pursuant to the requirements of Title 14 shall be as follows:

- 1. Zoning Permits:
 - New construction of one- or two-family dwelling \$150*
 - New construction of structure other than one-or two-family dwellings \$500*
 - [Lots] Zoning revisions to lots containing existing one- or two-family dwellings . . . [~~\$30.00~~] \$40*
 - [All] Zoning revisions to all other parcels equal to or less than 30,000 square feet [~~\$125.00~~] \$200*
 - [All] Zoning revisions to all other parcels greater than 30,000 square feet [~~\$250.00~~] \$500*
 - Complete demolition of all structures on a parcel \$50*
- 2. Use Registration Permits:
 - For each use in new construction and for each use change in an existing structure [~~\$125.00~~] \$150*
- 3. Accessory sign permit \$200.00
- 4. Non-accessory (outdoor advertising) sign permit \$315.00

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5. Preliminary zoning permit review or conditional zoning approval . . . [\$250.00] \$350

6. *Additional fee where floor area and height bonuses are applied pursuant to §14-702 \$200 per bonus*

A-907.1.2 Zoning Board of Adjustment fees: The fees for matters that are taken before the Board pursuant to § 14-303 and regulations promulgated thereto shall be as follows:

[Note: Fees indicated are per property.]

1. For properties containing an *existing* one- or two-family dwelling only \$125.00

2. For any property not included in subsection (1) [\$250.00] \$300

3. For each accelerated hearing before the Board, in addition to the fee specified in (1) or (2) above [\$625.00] \$750

4. *Fees under 1, 2, and 3 above are per property.*

[Note:] 5. The maximum accelerated hearing fee for simultaneous hearings resulting from multiple permit applications shall be [\$1,875.00] \$2,250.

[Note:] 6. An accelerated hearing shall be scheduled by the Zoning Board at the first available date.

[4.] 7. To request a Zoning Board of Adjustment administrative review, as provided by Zoning Board regulations [\$65.00] \$200

[5.] 8. For a reposting of notices of Zoning Board of Adjustment hearings \$65.00

A-907.1.3 Administrative services fees: The fees for the review or approval of documents by the Department that are required pursuant to local or state law shall be as follows:

1. Certification of Zoning District Classification [\$100.00] \$110

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2. Application for a "Certification Statement" required for transfer of real estate pursuant to Pennsylvania Act 652 of 1961[\$100.00] *\$110*

3. For certification that a permit is not required[\$25.00] *\$30*

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SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall be effective July 1, 2017, provided, however, that any provision of this ordinance that authorizes the adoption of regulations to replace any fee shall be effective immediately.

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CERTIFICATION: This is a true and correct copy of the original Bill, Passed by the City Council on March 30, 2017. The Bill was Signed by the Mayor on April 4, 2017.



Michael A. Decker
Chief Clerk of the City Council