First Reading: December 13, 2022 Second Reading: December 20, 2022

ORDINANCE NO. 13929

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE PART II, CHAPTER 10, SECTION 10-3(J)(F), SECTIONS 1,09.2, 109.2.1, 109.2.2, 109.2.3, AND 109.2.4 REGARDING FEE SCHEDULES FOR NON-REFUNDABLE PERMITS, MOVING, DEMOLITION, AND OTHER FEES AND SECTION 10-32 REGARDING THE FEE SCHEDULE FOR ENGINEERING PLANS REVIEW.

SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE, that Chattanooga City Code, Part II, Chapter 10, Section 10-3(j)(f), Sections 109.2, 109.2.1, 109.2.2, 109.2.3, and 109.24, be and the same are hereby amended by deleting said Sections in their entirety and substituting in lieu thereof with the following:

j. (f) Section 109.2 is amended by adopting a non-refundable fee schedule for all building permits which shall be as follows:

Total Valuation	Fee	
\$1,000.00 and less	No fee, unless inspection is required, in which case a \$40.00 fee for each inspection shall be charged.	
\$1,001.00 to \$50,000.00	\$25.00 for the first \$1,000.00 plus \$5.75 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof, to and including \$50,000.00	
\$50,001.00 to \$100,000.00	\$295.00 for the first \$50,000.00 plus \$4.75 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof, to and including \$100,000.00	
\$100,000.00 to \$500,000.00	\$525.00 for the first \$100,000.00 plus \$3.75 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof, to and including \$500,000.00	
\$500,001.00 and up	\$1,925.00 for the first \$500,000.00 plus \$2.75 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof	

109.2.1. Moving Fee.

For the moving of any building or structure, the fee shall be \$150.00.

109.2.2. Demolition Fees.

For the demolition of any building or structure, the fee shall be:

Residential Structures (Maximum of 4 Units)	\$200.00
Non-Residential Structures up to 35 Feet in Height and Less Than 10,000 Square Feet, and Apartments up to 3 Stories	\$350.00
Non-Residential Structures More Than 10,000 Square Feet	\$500.00

109.2.3. Penalties.

Where work for which a permit is required by this Code is started or proceeded with prior to obtaining said permit, the fees herein specified shall be doubled, but the payment of such double fee shall not relieve any persons or entities from fully complying with the requirements of this Code in the execution of the work or from any other penalties prescribed herein.

109.2.4. Other Fees.

All of the fees in 109.2.4 shall be non-refundable unless in the determination of the Building Official, the Land Development Office has not completed sufficient review to justify the entire fees for Phased Construction Plans Review or Cell Tower Technical Location Requirement Review due to the withdrawal of an application prior to review. In such incidents, any proportional refund shall be in the sole discretion of the Building Official for the Land Development Office.

Fee Description	Fee
Board of Sign Appeals	\$150.00
Board of Zoning Appeals	\$150.00
Certificates of Occupancy (New Facility)	\$15.00
Certificates of Occupancy (Conditional)	\$50.00
Certificates of Occupancy (Existing Facility)	\$75.00
Certificates of Occupancy (Beverage License)	\$125.00

Certificates of Completion	\$25.00
Chattanooga Historic Zoning Commission—Demolition Application	\$250.00
Chattanooga Historic Zoning Commission—All Other Applications	\$150.00
Fee for Sewer Verification Letter	\$75.00
Fee for Zoning Letter	\$155.00
Fee for Code Compliance Letter (Basic)	\$75.00
Fee for Code Compliance Letter (detailed)	\$150.00+* {*\$.05/per sq. ft.}
Fee for Code Compliance Letter (warehouse/industrial)	\$500.00+* {*\$.02/sq. ft. for each add'l sq. ft. above 10,000}
Fee for Re-inspections (Bldg., Plumbing, Gas, Mechanical, Electrical, Fire and Signs)	\$50.00
Fee for Permit Transfer	\$50.00
Fee for Modular Home Site Investigation	\$100.00
Fee for Fire & Life Safety Inspection and Plans Review	20% of Building Permit Fee
Cell Tower Site Review Fee	\$100.00
Cell Tower Technical Location Requirements Review Fee	\$1,500.00
Construction Board of Appeals:	
Fee for 1-2 Family Structure Appeals	\$150.00
Fee for all other appeals	\$150.00
Fee for Variance Request to Board of Zoning Appeals	\$150.00
Fee for any construction on a structure in any Historic Zone	\$25.00
Fee for any construction on a structure which requires the issuance of a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) or Certificate of Extreme Hardship (CEH)	\$25.00
Fee for Appeal to the Board of Sign Appeals	\$150.00
Fee for Floodplain Variance Request	\$200.00
Fee for Fire District Removal Request	\$200.00

Form Based Code Committee - Major Modifications	\$150.00
Form Based Code Committee - Minor Modifications	\$25.00
Plan Checking Fee	30% of Building Permit Fee
Phased Construction Plans Review Fee	50% of Building Permit Fee
Staff Plans Review Fee for Submission of Building Plans Inside of Form Based Code	\$25.00
Building Permit Plan Revision Fee	5% of Plan Review Fee

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that Chattanooga City Code, Part II, Chapter 10, Section 10-32, be and the same is hereby amended by deleting said Section in its entirety and substituting in lieu thereof with the following:

Sec. 10-32. Engineering Plans Review and Fees.

The City is authorized to charge a non-refundable fee for services provided as follows:

Subdivision Review Fee for Ten (10) Lots or Less	\$175.00
Subdivision Review Fee - Additional Fee Per Each Lot Above Ten (10) Lots	\$10.00

SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this ordinance shall become effective January 1, 2023.

Passed on second and final reading: December 20, 2022

CHAIRPERSON

APPROVED: V DISAPPROVED:

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