

ORDINANCE

[To Amend City of Prattville Code of Ordinances Chapter 105 - Building and Building Regulations, Article I. - In General, Sec. 105-26. - Schedule of Permit Fees.]

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Prattville, that City of Prattville Code of Ordinances is amended as follows:

Article I. – In General
Sec. 105-26. Schedule of permit fees.

- (a) *Permits—Generally.* On all buildings, structures, electrical, plumbing, gas, and mechanical systems, or alterations requiring a permit, an issuance fee of \$25.00 shall be paid plus an additional amount in accordance with following schedules:
(1) *Building permits.*

Total Valuation	Fee*
Up to \$2,000.00	Issuance fee plus \$25.00 if inspection required.
\$2,001.00 to \$15,000.00	Issuance fee for the first \$2,000.00 plus \$1.50 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof, to and including \$15,000.00 plus \$25.00 inspection fee.
\$15,001.00 to \$50,000.00	Issuance fee plus \$30.00 for the first \$15,000.00 plus \$1.25 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof to and including \$50,000.00.
\$50,001.00 to \$100,000.00	Issuance fee plus \$75.00 for the first \$50,000.00 plus \$1.00 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof, to and including \$100,000.00.
\$100,001.00 to \$500,000.00	Issuance fee plus \$125.00 for the first \$100,000.00 plus \$0.75 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof, to and including \$500,000.00.
\$500,001.00 and up	Issuance fee plus \$425.00 for the first \$500,000.00 plus \$0.50 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof.

*One-quarter of one percent (0.25%) shall be added to the final permit fee.

- (2) *Valuation.* All fees for building permits shall be calculated on the basis of the true value of the building, structure, addition or alteration.
- a. *Single-family residential structures.* For new one- and two-family residential structures, valuations shall be based on the square footage of the structure and calculated using the most recent building valuation data table published by the International Code Council, Inc. (ICC) in effect on January 1 of each year. The value per square footage shall be based on type of construction as classified by the ICC table.
 - b. Valuation for all structures other than single-family and two-family residential shall be based on the actual value or contract price rounded up to next thousand dollars. Permit valuations shall include total value of the contract, including material and labor.
 - c. The building official may request all appraisal or contract information necessary to determine the true value of the building, structure, addition or alteration. If, in the opinion of the building official, the valuation is underestimated on the application, the permit shall be denied, unless the applicant can show detailed estimates to meet the approval of the building official. Final permit valuation shall be set by the building official.
 - d. Projects with multiple general contractors shall designate one contractor or construction manager for obtaining and paying for a building permit.

- (3) *Electrical, plumbing, gas, and mechanical permit fees.*
a. *Electrical fees. In addition to the issuance fee:*

Permit Type	Fee
New and Existing Commercial Meter Loops	
Up to 100 amps	\$10.00
200 amps	\$12.00
400 amps	\$15.00
600 amps	\$20.00
800 amps	\$25.00
1200 amps	\$30.00
1600 amps	\$35.00
2000 amps	\$45.00
New and Existing Residential Meter Loops	
Up to 100 amps	\$20.00
200 amps	\$25.00
400 amps	\$30.00
Over 400 amps	\$35.00
Each additional meter loop	\$5.00
Appliances	
Ranges, including cook tops and ovens	\$2.50
Clothes dryers	\$2.50
Water heaters	\$3.00
Garbage disposals	\$2.50
Similar appliances not listed	\$2.50
Motors	
Motors up to six hp	\$3.00
Motors over six hp, each hp	\$0.50
Electric heat up to 15 kw	\$3.00
Electric heat over 15 kw, each kw	\$0.25
Electric-controlled floor furnace, unit heaters, ventilating and types of connected fans, including control and outlets	\$5.00
Other	
Swimming pools	\$25.00
Temporary poles	\$5.00
Mobile home hookup	\$15.00
Reconnection of service	\$10.00
Signs and outdoor wiring single circuit	\$10.00
Each additional circuit	\$5.00
Solar Panels and Photovoltaic Systems	\$13.00
Electric Vehicle Chargers	\$13.00
Generators or Transfer Switches	\$10.00
Transformers	
All types, first 15 kva	\$3.00
Each additional kva	\$0.20
Shop inspections	
Neon, per transformer	\$1.00
Plastic, per lamp	\$1.00
Incandescent, first circuit	\$2.00
Each additional circuit	\$5.00
Commercial and residential, concealed work to outlets	
One to ten outlets	\$3.00
11 and above, per outlet	\$0.30
Ranges, including cook tops and ovens	\$2.50
Water heaters	\$2.50
Clothes dryers	\$2.50
Inspection fees on concealed work do not include fixtures for which there is a separate fee.	

b. Plumbing fees. In addition to the issuance fee:

For each plumbing fixture, floor drain or trap or set of fixtures on one trap, including fixture water supply and drainage piping	\$3.00
For each house sewer	\$5.00
For each house having to be replaced or repaired	\$5.00
For each electric water heater	\$5.00
Dishwasher	\$3.00
Garbage grinder	\$3.00
Washing machine	\$3.00
Rain leader and roof drain piping	\$3.00
Ejectors, pumps or sumps	\$3.00
For repairs or alteration of draining or vent piping	\$3.00
For vacuum breakers or backflow protection devices	\$3.00
Each fixture not above provided	\$3.00
In excess of four inspections	\$50.00

c. Fuel gas fees. In addition to the issuance fee:

Piping inspection at one location rough and final	\$5.00
For five fixtures or less	\$5.00
Per fixture over five	\$3.00
Conversion burners, floor furnaces, incinerators, boilers, or central heating or air conditioning units	\$5.00
Vented wall furnaces	\$3.00
Water heaters	\$3.00
For additional unit	\$2.00
Ranges, including cook tops and ovens	\$5.00
Clothes dryers	\$5.00
Water heater	\$2.50
Grill connection	\$2.50
Gas logs or lights	\$2.50
Furnace or heater	\$5.00
Generator	\$5.00
Air test and final	\$6.00
Deep fryers	\$5.00
Pool or sauna heater	\$5.00

d. Mechanical fees. In addition to the issuance fee:

A/C With or Without Heating	
Up to and including three tons	\$10.00
Over three tons and including five tons	\$15.00
Over five tons and including ten tons	\$18.00
Over ten tons, each ton over	\$3.00
Refrigeration	
Up to and including three hp	\$10.00
Over three hp and including ten hp	\$15.00
Over ten hp and including 20 hp	\$18.00
Over 20 hp, each hp over	\$2.50
Chillers, each ton	\$0.50
Each cooling coil	\$3.00
Boilers	\$20.00
Each heating coil	\$3.00
Thru Wall Unit	
Heating or cooling, each unit	\$7.00
Cooling tower (water)	\$10.00
Heating Only	
Gas or electric, each unit	\$5.00
Reinspection fee	\$10.00
Ventilation hood, each hood	\$50.00
Incinerators	\$50.00
Vent fans, each fan	\$5.00
Dryers	\$5.00

(4) *Miscellaneous permits and fees.*

- a. *Work prior to permit.* Where work for which a permit is required by this chapter commences prior to obtaining said permit, the permit fee herein specified shall be doubled and a \$250.00 administrative fee may be charged
- b. *Moving fee.* For the relocation of any building or structure, the fee shall be \$100.00 per section.
- c. *Demolition fee.* For the demolition of any building or structure, the fee shall be \$25.00 per story. In addition, the application for a demolition shall be accompanied by a \$1,000.00 surety, which shall be refunded by the building official when all demolition debris has been properly removed and the site has been properly graded and stabilized. Said bond or cash deposit shall indemnify the City against damage to the public streets and sidewalks, and against unwarranted litter and debris allowed to remain on the premises, which constitutes a public nuisance. Interior demolition shall be based on the contract value provided by the permittee.
- d. *Mobile or manufactured home.* For the placement of any manufactured home covered by the National Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974 (commonly known as the HUD Code), a fee of \$100.00 shall be paid prior to placement of the structure. The permit fee shall cover the inspection of correct installation, flood hazard determination, electrical connection and plumbing connection.
- e. *Plan review fee.* A plan review fee shall be paid for the review of all multi-family, commercial and industrial projects that require architectural plans. Said fee shall be paid at the time said plans are submitted to the City planning and development department. Plan review fee shall be calculated as \$2.50 per \$1,000.00 of building valuation, with a minimum fee of \$250.00 and a maximum of \$10,000.00. When determined by the building official or the fire marshal that it is necessary for plan review to be performed by an outside party (e.g., International Code Council), the full fee shall be paid by the owner or contractor to the outside party.
- f. *Re-inspection fee.* A fee of \$100.00 shall be paid for each re-inspection of a failed second inspection.
- g. Pursuant to Alabama Act 2015-308, the city shall assess a fee on all non-residential construction work permitted within the City in the amount of \$1.00 for every \$1,000.00 of said non-residential construction work permitted. The fees shall be collected by the city and shall be electronically remitted monthly to the department of finance, division of construction management, by the 20th day of the month following the issuance of the applicable permits as required by Act 2015-308.
- h. *Roofing permit.* All work involving the replacement of a roof covering must be permitted prior to work beginning. If work only involves the roof covering and underlayment (e.g. new shingles) then only the issuance fee will be charged for the permit. If the work includes any changes to decking or sheathing, rafters, or any structural portion of the roof or greater structure, then a building permit must be applied for and issued with applicable fees.

(5) *Fee refunds.* The Building Official shall authorize the refunding of fees as follows:

- a. The full amount of any fee paid hereunder that was erroneously paid or collected.
- b. Not more than 80 percent of the permit fee paid when no work has been done under the permit issued in accordance with this chapter.
- c. Not more than 80 percent of the plan review fee paid when an application for a permit for which a plan review fee has been paid is withdrawn or cancelled before the plan review has been completed.

- (b) The Building Official shall not authorize the refunding of any fee paid except upon written application filed with the City Planning and Development Department by the original permittee.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the increase in fees shall become effective June 1,

2024.

THIS Ordinance shall become effective upon its passage and execution as provided

by law.

ADOPTED THIS 16TH DAY OF APRIL, 2024.

By: Lora Lee Boone, President
Prattville City Council

AUTHENTICATED THIS 16TH DAY OF APRIL, 2024.

By: Paula G. Barlow
City Clerk

APPROVED:

By: Bill Gillespie, Jr.
Mayor