

Memo

To: Kennie Hobbs, Assistant City Manager / Finance Director

From: Chris Torres, City Planner

Date: September 9, 2019

Re: Planning and Zoning Fees

As required by Florida Statutes Title XII, Chapter 166, Section 166.041 and the City of Lauderhill's Code or Ordinances Article IV, Section 4.04 and Article IV, Section 4.05, amendments to Ordinances must be voted on by the City Commission and shall not be passed until two (2) separate readings.

Background.

The City of Lauderhill's Planning and Zoning fees are provided for in the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 6, Buildings and Building Regulations, Article I., In General, Section 6-10, Enumeration of Fees, Subsection III., Planning and Zoning Review.

As the City Of Lauderhill is continuously growing in development, the Planning Division conducted an audit of surrounding municipalities' Planning and Zoning fee schedules to ensure that the City's fees are compatible and up-to-date given that the last time the City of Lauderhill's Planning and Zoning Fees were updated was in 2003 (Ordinance No. 030-03-130 Attached).

It was found that the City of Lauderhill's Planning and Zoning fees are lower as compared to the following surrounding municipalities' fee schedules (attached) within Broward County:

- Coconut Creek
- Coral Springs
- Dania Beach
- Davie
- Fort Lauderdale
- Lauderdale Lakes
- Margate
- North Lauderdale

- Oakland Park
- Sunrise
- Plantation
- Tamarac
- Pompano Beach

The following proposed changes to the City of Lauderhill's Planning and Zoning fee schedule are as follows:

- Variance filing fees:
 - Zoning from 800.00 to 1,000.00
 - Sign from 300.00 to 350.00
- Special Exception filing fees from 600.00 to 800.00
- Rezoning filing fee from 800.00 to 2,000.00
- Platting filing fee from 500.00 (minimum) to 800.00 (minimum)
- Vacation of easement right-of-way filing fee from 500.00 to 800.00
- Acceptance of easement right-of-way filing fee from 500.00 to 800.00
- Land Use Plan Amendment filing fee from 1,700.00 (minimum) to 3,000.00 (minimum)
- Site Plan review filing fee from 750.00 (minimum) to 1,000.00 (minimum)
- Revised or amended site plan filing fee from 200.00 to 500.00
- Landscape inspection or re-inspection fee:
 - Single-family dwelling from 25.00 to 40.00
 - First re-inspection 25.00 remains
 - Second or subsequent re-inspection from 25.00 to 40.00
 - Multi-family residential and commercial, per building from 75.00 to 100.00
 - First re-inspection 75.00 remains
 - Second or subsequent re-inspection from 75.00 to 100.00
- Modification to Landscape Plan filing fee from 100.00 to 200.00
- Zoning Inspection or re-inspection fee:
 - Single-family dwelling from 25.00 to 40.00
 - First re-inspection 25.00 remains

- Second or subsequent re-inspection from 25.00 to 40.00
 - Multi-family residential and commercial, per building from 75.00 to 100.00
 - First re-inspection 75.00 remains
 - Second or subsequent re-inspection from 75.00 to 100.00
- Development review filing fee from 200.00 to 250.00
- Requested inspection for code compliance, apparent zoning and site plan violations, exterior inspections of buildings (prior to real estate closings or foreclosures) from 100.00 to 200.00
- Amendment to the land development regulations, when requested by the applicant 2,500.00 plus 89.00 per Staff hour

The following additions to the fee schedule are proposed:

- Zoning Verification Letter application fee*
 - Zoning map/LU verification (base fee) from 75.00 to 100.00
 - Additional Determinations 89.00 per staff hour
- Staff Review/Research for Documentation not listed 89.00 per staff hour

Request

The City of Lauderhill's Planning Division respectfully request the proposed updated fee schedule be presented to the City Commission at the September 26, 2019 City Commission Meeting.

Attachment A: Ordinance No. 030-03-130

Attachment B: Fee Schedule Comparison Sheet

Attachment C: Surrounding Municipalities' Fee Schedules