

RESOLUTION NO. 25 - 12

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING FEES FOR APPLICATIONS PROCESSED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS

WHEREAS, the Code of Public Local Laws of Worcester County, Maryland, General Provisions Article and Sections BR 2-103(f) (Plumbing Standards - Fees), PW 5-104 (Shared Sanitary Facilities - Establishment of shared sanitary facility), PW 5-305(b)(5) (Sanitary Service Areas - Cost and fees), (Stormwater Management - plan review fees), NR 1-407 (Forest Conservation), NR 2-102(b) (Construction along shorelines - Permits required), and NR 3-101 and NR 3-201 (Critical Area Programs), as from time to time amended, provide that the County Commissioners may establish certain fees for processing of applications; and

WHEREAS, the Worcester County Commissioners have adopted or amended said fees by previous resolutions, most recently by Resolution No. 24-11, adopted on June 18, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the County Commissioners have determined it necessary to revise said fees and add fees for various review services provided by County staff.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Commissioners of Worcester County, Maryland that the following fee schedule shall be in effect for the services provided by the Department of Environmental Programs:

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS **FEE SCHEDULE**

I. APPLICATION REVIEW FEES

- A. Water and Sewer Plan Amendments:
 - 1. Minor Amendments: \$100.00
 - 2. Major Amendments: \$500.00

- B. Forest Conservation Program Review
 - 1. Declaration of Intent: \$50.00 flat fee.
 - 2. Forest Conservation Plan Review:
 - a. Sketch plan (optional): No fee
 - b. Major subdivision: \$250.00 base fee, plus \$25.00 per lot.
 - c. Minor subdivision/Boundary line adjustment: \$150.00 flat fee.
 - d. Major site plan: \$250.00 base fee, plus \$25.00 per acre.
 - e. Minor site plan: \$150.00 flat fee.
 - f. Revisions: (<25% of site) \$150.00 flat fee; or
(>25% of site) \$150.00, plus \$35.00 per acre.
 - g. Forestry adjustment, exception, or payment in lieu request: \$150.00 flat fee.

- C. Critical Area Program Review
 - 1. Sketch plan (optional): No fee
 - 2. Major subdivision: \$250.00 base fee, plus \$25.00 per lot.
 - 3. Minor subdivision/Boundary line adjustment: \$150.00 flat fee.

4. Major site plan: \$250.00 base fee, plus \$25.00 per acre.
5. Minor site plan: \$150.00 flat fee.
6. Revisions: (<25% of site): \$150.00 flat fee;
(>25% of site): \$150.00 plus \$35.00 per acre.
7. Growth allocation request: \$650.00 base fee plus \$15.00 per acre.
8. Board of Zoning Appeals review of Department's denial of fees in lieu: \$100.00.
9. Critical Area variance review: \$200.00 flat fee.
10. Reinspection fee: \$100.00 per occurrence.
11. Critical Area Permit: \$50.00

D. Environmental Programs Division Program Review

1. Sketch Plan (optional): No fee.
2. Plat Review, public water & sewer, up to 5 lots: \$100.00.
3. Plat Review, public water & sewer, more than 5 lots: \$200.00.
4. Plat Review, private water & sewer, minor subdivision: \$180.00.
5. Plat Review, private water & sewer, major subdivision: \$150.00 minimum for first 5 lots, plus \$25.00 per additional lot over 5.
6. Plat Review, property line revision/septic reserve area revision; Agricultural Use Only: \$150.00.
7. Commercial Construction Plan Review, public water & public sewer: \$60.00.
8. Commercial Construction Plan Review, public water & private sewer: \$85.00.
9. Commercial Construction Plan Review, private water & private sewer: \$150.00.

E. Research Fee: \$50.00 per hour for each hour or portion thereof beyond the first hour of staff research time.

F. Natural Resources Article Text Amendment: \$400.00 per change requested.

II. PERMITS

A. Water Well: \$160.00 per well.

B. Water Sample (other than compliance sampling): \$50.00 per sample

C. Sewage:

1. Residential Evaluation.
 - a. Individual lot or minor subdivision evaluation: ~~\$350.00~~ 400.00 per single family unit.
 - b. Major subdivision evaluation: \$350.00 per single family unit. If more than six lots are requested a minimum payment of \$1,800.00 is required. Balance of fee to be collected as testing is completed.*
 - c. Piezometer Installation (over 2 per lot): \$50.00 each
 - d. Commercial Evaluation.
 1. A minimum of \$450.00 is required.*
 - e. Sewage Area Modification.
 1. 30% or More: \$350.00
 2. Less than 30%: \$75.00
 - f. Sewage Permit.
 1. Complete new system (tank & drainfield): \$400.00
 2. Drainfield replacement: \$325.00
 3. Repairs of existing system including tank replacement: \$225.00

- 4. Repairs and new permits for non-conventional systems: \$475.00
- g. Building/Zoning Permit/Environmental Programs Review: \$50.00

*Note: This application fee covers testing for 10,000 square feet of sewage area. If conditions require testing greater than 10,000 square feet, applicant will be billed at a rate of \$10 per each additional 1,000 square foot area tested.

D. Burning Permit: ~~\$80.00~~ 90.00

E. Reinspection Fee: \$50.00 per occurrence.

F. Septage Haulers:

- 1. Annual license: \$50.00

G. Bathing Beach Permit: \$150.00

H. Mobile Home Park and Campground Permit Fees

- 1. Annual Mobile Home Park Permit
 - a. 10 or less sites: \$125.00
 - b. 11 or more sites: \$200.00
- 2. Annual Campground Permit
 - a. 100 or less sites: \$200.00
 - b. 101 or more sites: ~~\$300.00~~ 350.00
- 3. Late Fees (Mobile Home Park and/or Campground Permits):
\$50.00 per day/\$500.00 maximum.

I. Shared Facilities Agreement Processing Fees

- 1. Minor (up to 5,000 gallons per day): \$100.00
- 2. Major (greater than 5,000 gallons per day): \$400.00
- 3. Shared facility inspection: \$50.00 per inspection

*Note: There shall be no charge for shared facility agreements between two single-family homes.

J. Sanitary Service Area Applications

- 1. Minor (up to 5,000 gallons per day): \$100.00
- 2. Major (greater than 5,000 gallons per day): \$500.00

*Note: There shall be no charge for expansions involving the addition of an individual residential property to an existing service area.

K. Stormwater Management and Sediment & Erosion Control:

- 1. Waiver requests: \$100.00.
- 2. Sediment and erosion control inspection fee for single-family dwellings: \$100.00.
- 3. Sediment and erosion control inspection fee for timber harvests: \$100.00.
- 4. Stormwater management and sediment and erosion control permits (with devices, structures, or the like): \$350.00 base fee, plus \$15.00 per acre over 5 acres.

- 5.. Stormwater management and sediment and erosion control permits for clearing, grading and filling (no devices, structures or other items): \$200.00 base fee, plus \$15.00 per acre over 5 acres.
6. Stormwater management and sediment and erosion control permit revision fee: \$50.00.
7. Reinspection Fee: \$100.00 per occurrence.

L. Plumbing Permits:

1. Administrative Fees (per permit issued)
 - a. Mobile Homes (Manufactured Housing): \$25.00
 - b. Modular Homes (Certified State Inspected): \$25.00
 - c. Stick-built Homes: \$25.00
 - d. Multi-Unit Buildings (Condo, Townhouse, Motel): \$100.00
 - e. Commercial Units (Shopping Centers, Banks, Restaurants, Offices, etc.): \$100.00
 - f. Back Flow Preventer Only: \$50.00
2. Inspection Fees (per unit)
 - a. Mobile Homes (Manufactured Housing): \$40.00
 - b. Modular Homes (Certified State Inspected): \$75.00
 - c. Stick-built Homes: \$125.00
 - d. Multi-Unit Buildings (Condo, Townhouse, Motel): \$125.00
 - e. Commercial Units (Shopping Centers, Banks, Restaurants, Offices, etc.): \$125.00
 - f. Back Flow Preventer Only: \$65.00
 - g. Per fixture (over 5): \$5.00 Residential
 - h. Per fixture (over 5): \$15.00 Commercial
3. Modification, Remodeling and Alteration Fees (Fixture Unit Count of Eight or Less)
 - a. Administrative Fee: \$25.00
 - b. Inspection Fee: \$75.00
4. Reinspection Fee: \$50.00 per inspection
5. Investigative Fee (beginning work without a permit): \$50.00 per hour
6. Gas Permits:
 - a. Gas Permit: \$60.00
 - b. Administrative Fee: \$25.00
 - c. Each Additional Appliance (over 3): \$10.00
7. Plumbing Plan Review (Commercial)
 - a. Up to 10,000 square feet: \$125.00
 - b. Greater than 10,000 square feet: \$250.00
 - c. Changes, additions, revisions to approved plans: ~~\$50.00~~ \$80.00 per hour of review time
 * Note: minimum charge of one-half hour re-review time
8. Rebuild of sewer cleanout reinspection/remobilization: \$100.00

M. Shoreline Construction Activity:


1. Minor application review fee (less than eight feet channelward): \$150.00
2. Major application review fee (greater than eight feet channelward): \$300.00.
3. Shoreline construction permit: \$150.00
4. Shoreline construction permit revision: \$50.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any other license or permit fee not enumerated above shall be in the amount presently in effect.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect on July 1, 2025.

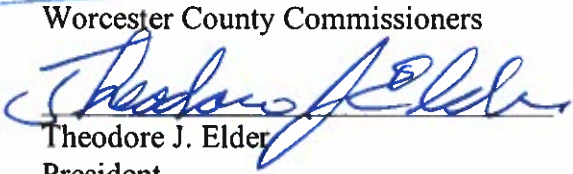
PASSED AND ADOPTED this 20th day of May, 2025.

Attest:



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Chief Administrative Officer

Worcester County Commissioners




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President




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Vice President



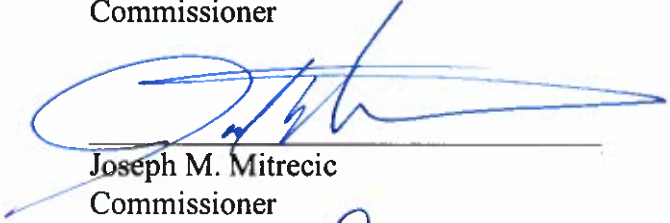
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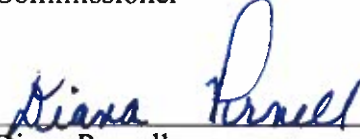
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