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ORDINANCE NO. 12638

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, PART II, CHAPTER 10, SECTIONS 10-3(j), RELATIVE TO BUILDING PERMIT AND OTHER FEES AND TO ADD A NEW SECTION 10-3(u) REGARDING DESIGN METHODOLOGY FOR RETAINING WALLS AND REINFORCED SOIL SLOPES.

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), be and is hereby amended by deleting same in its entirety and substituting in lieu thereof the following:

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

109.2 NON-REFUNDABLE PERMIT FEES

Total Valuation	Fee
\$1,000 and less	No fee, unless inspection required, in which case a \$25.00 fee for each inspection shall be charged.
\$1,001 to \$50,000	\$25.00 for the first \$1,000.00 plus \$5.50 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof, to and including \$50,000.00
\$50,001 to \$100,000	\$294.50 for the first \$50,000.00 plus \$4.50 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof, to and including \$100,000.00
\$100,001 to \$500,000	\$519.50 for the first \$100,000.00 plus \$3.50 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof, to and including \$500,000.00
\$500,001 and up	\$1919.50 for the first \$500,000.00 plus \$2.25 for

each additional thousand or
fraction thereof

109.2.1 MOVING FEE

For the moving of any building or structure, the fee shall be
\$125.00

109.2.2 DEMOLITION FEES

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

Residential Structures (maximum of 4 units)	\$125.00
Non-Residential structures up to 35-feet in height and less than 10,000 sq. ft. and Apartments up to 3 stories.	\$250.00
Non-Residential structures over 10,000 sq. ft.	\$400.00

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 may be doubled, but the payment of such double fee shall not relieve any persons 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

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)	\$50.00
Certificates of Completion	\$15.00
Fee for Sewer Verification Letter	\$75.00
Fee for Zoning Letter	\$75.00
Fee for Code Compliance Letter (Basic)	\$50.00
Fee for Code Compliance Letter (detailed) {*\$.05/per sq. ft.}	\$150.00+*
Fee for Code Compliance Letter (warehouse/industrial) {*\$.02/sq. ft. for each add'l sq. ft. above 10,000}	\$500.00+*
Fee for Re-inspections (Bldg., Plumbing, Gas, Mechanical, Electrical and Signs)	\$50.00
Fee for Permit Transfer	\$25.00
Fee for Modular Home Site Investigation	\$50.00
Plan Checking Fee	(30% of Building Permit Fee)

Phased Construction Plans Review Fee	(50% 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	\$50.00
Fee for all other appeals	\$100.00
Fee for Variance Request to Board of Zoning Appeals	\$100.00
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 Northshore Design Review Committee	\$100.00
Fee for Appeal to the Downtown Overlay Committee	\$100.00
Staff Plans Review Fee for submission to the Northshore Design review Committee, or the Downtown Overlay Committee	\$25.00
Fee for Appeal to the Board of Sign Appeals	\$100.00
Fee for Floodplain Variance Request	\$100.00
Fee for Fire District Removal Request	\$100.00

All of the fees in 109.2.4 shall be nonrefundable unless in the determination of the Administrator of Public Works, the department 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 Administrator of Public Works.

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That Chattanooga City Code, Part II,

Chapter 10, be and is hereby amended by adding a new Section 10-3(u) as follows:

- (u). **Design Methodology.** Retaining walls and reinforced soil slopes shall be designed according to the following design methods based on type:

Concrete Gravity => ACI 318 and ASCE/SEI 7 (latest revisions)
Concrete Cantilever => ACI 318 and ASCE/SEI 7 (latest revision)
Mechanically Stabilized Earth Walls and Reinforced Soil Slopes (MSEWs & RSSs) => FHWA-NHI-00-043 Mechanically Stabilized Earth Walls and Reinforced Soil Slopes – Design & Construction Guidelines and ASCE/SEI 7 (latest revisions)

SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That this Ordinance shall become effective immediately from and after its passage due to a previous clerical error.

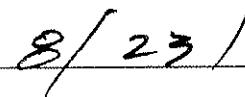
PASSED on Second and Final Reading

August 21, 2012.



CHAIRPERSON

APPROVED: DISAPPROVED: _____

DATE:  8/23/_____, 2012



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