

Memo

To: All Contractors
From: Building Inspection
Date: June 30, 2009
Re: New Fees and Requirements

In an effort to reduce fees on renovation permits in the City, several changes have been made in Ordinance 1309.11 Permit Fee Schedule. In the past, if a remodel job was being performed that involved structural alterations and extension of (1) one or (2) two electric circuits, a typical permit would have required a base fee of \$150.00 and a rewire fee of \$40.00 totaling \$190.00. Even if the project only involved a couple electrical circuits, the electric permit would be \$40.00.

The changes made involve a base fee of \$60.00 for any work involving removal of 25% or more of the plaster or drywall in any room for the purpose of moving utilities or changing floor layout. Also, a partial rewire permit of \$10.00 would be used if no more than (2) two new circuits are being run. This would effectively drop the permit fee to \$70.00 for a typical remodel job or \$100.00 if more than (2) two electric circuits are run.

Added to the fee schedule is a requirement for a \$40.00 utility inspection fee for any gas lines that require a release to Vectren in existing homes where problems have occurred with the piping resulting in a shutoff notice or addition of gas piping in an existing dwelling where a release to Vectren would be required.

It should be noted that these fee changes will have no affect on room additions or new dwellings. All other fees remain the same.

Also being implemented at this time is a requirement, based on our wind speed zone in the Residential Code of Ohio, that all truss to top plate connections be supplemented by "hurricane ties" unless engineering for that installation does not require them. If you don't want to use "hurricane ties" you will need an engineered, stamped, document stating the same.

All requirements in this memo will be implemented on July 6, 2009. Anyone with questions concerning these changes may call (937) 498-8132 for clarification.

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