



LANE COUNTY

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Date: July 3, 2019
To: Interested Parties
From: Keir Miller, Division Manager
RE: Land Management Division Fee Adjustment

This notice is to inform you that on June 18, 2019, the Board of Commissioners adopted Order No. 19-06-18-09 to amend the Land Management Division's fee schedule. New fees for Lane County Building, Planning and Sanitation services will become effective August 5, 2019.

A summary of these fee adjustments is provided below along with links to additional background material. A separate memo outlining the treatment of legal lot applications and fees is being provided in tandem with this notification.

Generally, fees have been adjusted to:

1. Incorporate new and updated application types, which are necessary to implement recently adopted amendments to Lane Code Chapter 16 (Land Use and Development).
2. Reflect a 6.1% fee increase based on adjustments to the Consumer Price Index since 2016.
3. Establish new Building Program fees.
4. Codify existing fees previously established by a 2008 fee study.
5. Increase fees beyond 6.1% for a specific number of planning application types.
6. Perform other non-substantive housekeeping measures.

1. Lane Code Chapter 16 changes:

The following changes are being proposed as a result of recent amendments to Lane Code Chapter 16.

- New "Type I" application fees have been established for the following review processes: In-Home Commercial Activity, Farm Processing Facility Determination, Winery or Cider Business Determination, Farm Stand, Telecommunications Tower: Changeout, and Telecommunications Tower: Collocation (Spectrum Act).
- Decrease the Type I Verification of Replacement Rights fee (F-1, F-2, and EFU zones).

2. Consumer Price Index (CPI) adjustments:

The Land Management Division's fees have not undergone a comprehensive review since 2015 and a major, across-the-board, fee adjustment has not occurred for over a decade. Sporadic, unpredictable and often large fee adjustments can have disruptive effects. Therefore, a cumulative 6.1% CPI-based fee increase has been approved to adjust for increases in inflation since the Division's last fee analysis in 2015. Moving forward, CPI-based fee adjustments will be proposed at regular intervals to avoid future instances where larger fee increases are necessary.

3. New Building Program fees:

A “Temporary Campground Building Permit” fee and a “Minimum Electrical Permit” fee have been established to Lane Manual.

4. Codification of existing fees:

Fees were added to Lane Manual to coincide with fees currently reflected on the Planning Program’s fee schedule, which have been in use since 2008.

5. Application specific changes¹

The following existing fees were amended:

- Legal Lot Verification Type II Review: fee increased from \$1,100.00 to \$2,120.00.
- Additional Legal Lot Cost per Deed Submitted: fee decreased from \$100.00 to \$50.00.
- Additional Cost per Legal Lot Research (when combined with a Type II PLA only): fee increased from \$500.00 to \$1,520.00.
- Forest Template Dwelling: increase fee from \$2,000 to \$2,650.00.
- The “Planning Director Decision to Hearings Official (on the record)” and “Continuation of Planning Director Hearing” have been deleted from Lane Manual because these options were removed from Lane Code Chapter 14 in 2009.

6. Housekeeping amendments:

Some application types were renamed in Lane Manual to mirror Lane Code Chapter 14 terminology. Other sections within Lane Manual have been reorganized.

Additional Information

The new fee schedule is posted on the LMD website at:

<http://www.lanecounty.org/Departments/PW/LMD/LandUse/Pages/Default.aspx>

If you would like more background information about the fee changes, please visit:

http://www.lanecounty.org/UserFiles/Servers/Server_3585797/File/Government/BCC/2019/2019_AGENDAS/061819agenda/T.8.E.1.pdf

For questions concerning changes to Building and Sanitation Program fees, please contact Steve McGuire, Lane County Building Official, at (541) 682-4466.

For questions concerning changes to Planning Program fees, please contact Lindsey Eichner, Senior Planner, at (541) 682-3998.

¹ All amounts listed are the “base” application fee. Additional surcharges may apply in most instances.