

1 [Building Code - Permit Fee Calculation]

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3 **Ordinance amending the Building Code to clarify that the Department of Building**  
4 **Inspection may use multiple data sources to determine annual adjustments to the**  
5 **construction cost schedule for permit issuance fees and affirming the Planning**  
6 **Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act.**

7 **NOTE:** **Unchanged Code text and uncodified text** are in plain Arial font.  
8 **Additions to Codes** are in *single-underline italics Times New Roman font*.  
9 **Deletions to Codes** are in ~~*italics Times New Roman font*~~.  
10 **Board amendment additions** are in double-underlined Arial font.  
11 **Board amendment deletions** are in ~~Arial font~~.  
12 **Asterisks (\* \* \* \*)** indicate the omission of unchanged Code  
13 subsections or parts of tables.

14 Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

15 Section 1. Environmental Finding; Building Inspection Commission Hearing. (a) The  
16 Planning Department has determined that the actions contemplated in this ordinance comply  
17 with the California Environmental Quality Act (California Public Resources Code Sections  
18 21000 et seq.). The Board of Supervisors hereby affirms this determination. Said  
19 determination is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 150150 and is  
20 incorporated herein by reference.

21 (b) On December 17, 2014, the Building Inspection Commission held a duly noticed  
22 hearing on this ordinance and recommended its approval. The Building Inspection  
23 Commission Secretary submitted a letter to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors that  
24 reported this decision. A copy of said letter is on file with the Clerk of the Board in File No.  
25 150150.

1 Section 2. The Building Code is hereby amended by revising Section 107A.2, to read  
2 as follows:

3 107A.2 Permit Issuance Fees. The minimum permit fee per Section 110A, Table 1A-A  
4 – Building Permit Fees – shall be paid at the time an application for a building permit is  
5 issued. The New Construction Permit Fee Schedule applies to new buildings or structures.  
6 The Alteration Permit Fee Schedule applies to alterations, repairs, additions or other work on  
7 an existing building or structure, or to the modification of the scope of an approved permit as  
8 required by Section 106A.4.7.

9 The determination of value or valuation under any of the provisions of this code shall  
10 be made by the Building Official. The value to be used in computing the permit issuance and  
11 plan review fees shall be the final valuation upon completion of all construction work for which  
12 the permit is issued, as well as all finish work, painting, roofing, mechanical, electrical,  
13 plumbing, heating, air conditioning, elevators, fire-extinguishing systems and all other  
14 permanently installed equipment and construction, even though other permits to perform such  
15 work may be required.

16 The valuation shall be calculated at the time of permit issuance according to a cost  
17 schedule posted in the office of the Department or by actual construction cost, whichever is  
18 greater. The valuation shall be recalculated at the time of any addenda and/or revision  
19 issuance. Any additional fees due resulting from the recalculation of valuation shall be paid  
20 prior to addenda and/or revision issuance. The cost schedule shall be adjusted annually  
21 based on construction cost data reported by a variety of sources, including without limitation,  
22 local contractors, design professionals, cost estimators or nationally published construction cost data  
23 books or websites ~~Marshall and Swift, Valuation Engineers~~. Contractor overhead and profit shall be  
24 reflected in the schedule. The Building Inspection Commission is authorized to waive the  
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1 annual cost schedule adjustment if it determines that increasing the fees will exceed the cost  
2 of providing the services for which the fees are paid.

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4 Section 3. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective 30 days after  
5 enactment. Enactment occurs when the Mayor signs the ordinance, the Mayor returns the  
6 ordinance unsigned or does not sign the ordinance within ten days of receiving it, or the Board  
7 of Supervisors overrides the Mayor's veto of the ordinance

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9 Section 4. Scope of Ordinance. In enacting this ordinance, the Board of Supervisors  
10 intends to amend only those words, phrases, paragraphs, subsections, sections, articles,  
11 numbers, punctuation marks, charts, diagrams, or any other constituent parts of the Municipal  
12 Code that are explicitly shown in this ordinance as additions, deletions, Board amendment  
13 additions, and Board amendment deletions in accordance with the "Note" that appears under  
14 the official title of the ordinance.

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16 APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
17 DENNIS J. HERRERA, City Attorney

18 By:   
19 John D. Malamut  
20 Deputy City Attorney

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**City and County of San Francisco**  
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**Ordinance**

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**File Number:** 150150

**Date Passed:** April 21, 2015

Ordinance amending the Building Code to clarify that the Department of Building Inspection may use multiple data sources to determine annual adjustments to the construction cost schedule for permit issuance fees; and affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act.

April 06, 2015 Land Use and Transportation Committee - RECOMMENDED

April 14, 2015 Board of Supervisors - PASSED, ON FIRST READING

Ayes: 11 - Avalos, Breed, Campos, Christensen, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Tang, Wiener and Yee

April 21, 2015 Board of Supervisors - FINALLY PASSED

Ayes: 11 - Avalos, Breed, Campos, Christensen, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Tang, Wiener and Yee

File No. 150150

**I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was FINALLY PASSED on 4/21/2015 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.**

Angela Calvillo  
Clerk of the Board

  
Mayor

Date Approved