

July 12, 2019

TO:	Mayor Jerry L. Demings -AND-
	Board of County Commissioners
FROM:	Jon V. Weiss, P.E., Director
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SUBJECT:	August 6, 2019 - Consent Agenda Item Adjustment of Fees as required by Florida Statutes

House Bill 7103 amended Section 553.791, Florida Statutes, to require that owners and contractors who hire a private provider for plans review and building inspections pay reduced fees related to building permitting requirements.

In accordance with Florida statutory requirements, the Division of Building Safety conducted an evaluation of the building and construction support permit fees to determine the cost saving to the County if an owner/owner's contractor elects to use a private provider for plans review and/or inspections to determine compliance with the Florida Building Code (Chapter 553, Part IV, Florida Statutes). Based on the result of the study all permit fees shall be reduced in accordance with the following: applicable permit fee(s) shall be reduced to 55% of the total permit fee if a private provider is selected to perform either plan review or inspections or to 10% of the total permit fee if a private provider is selected to perform both the plan review and inspections. However, if the permit fee is at a minimum fee, then no reduction shall be applied.

The Office of Management and Budget has reviewed this fee change and concurs that it meets the requirements of Florida Statutes.

ACTION REQUESTED: Ratification of revision to the Fee Directory Fiscal Year 2018-2019 adding a note reducing applicable permit fees for the use of a private provider consistent with Section 553.791, Florida Statutes. All Districts

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## Planning, Environmental and Development

Sign Permit Fees	Cost
101 to 150 sq. ft	54.00
151 to 200 sq. ft	59.00
201 to 250 sq. ft	64.00
251 to 300 sq. ft	69.00
For each additional 100 sq. ft. over 300 sq. ft	11.00

## **Inspection Fees**

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(A) Re-inspection Fees Reinspection fees that remain unpaid longer than sixty days will be assessed a \$11.00 collection fee per account in addition to the reinspection fee due).	\$38.00
(B) Meter Reset	38.00
(C) Special (After Working Hours) Inspection Fees: Requests for special after-hours (normal working hours, week-end or holiday inspections must be submitted in writing by the developer/contractor to the Building Division Official twenty-four hours in advance of the requested inspection. The minimum number of hours that will be approved is for four hours per inspector. No inspection(s) will be performed until the assessed fee has been paid *After the initial four hours, an additional fee of \$51.00/hour will be charged.	212.00

## Note- Private Provider Fees

In accordance with Florida Statute 553.791 applicable Permit fee(s) shall be reduced to 55% of the total permit fee if private provider is selected to perform either plan review or inspections or to 10% of the total permit fee if private provider is selected to perform both the plan review and inspections. However, in no event shall permit fees be reduced below the stated minimum.

## **Other Fees**

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(A) Extension Request: Only one administrative extension (90 day) shall be granted per permit prior to each permit expiration date by the Building Official	\$32.00