



Development Services Department
Fee Schedule Amendment
City Commission Meeting

ID 2023-121

FEE SCHEDULE AMENDMENT

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Introduction

- P & Z fees for 22 municipalities in Broward County and Palm Beach County government compiled and analyzed
- Fees were last adjusted in 2009; several not since the 1970's
- Municipalities are entitled to charge fees that cover their costs and do not have to subsidize the cost to process applications



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Comparisons to other Municipalities

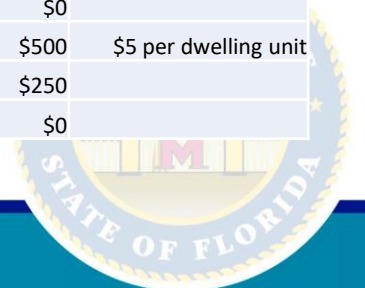
- Analysis shows the majority of fees collected by the City of Margate rank the lowest in 26 of 51 categories
- Equitable adjustments to the fee schedule by using the median of those studied as the primary basis
- Majority adopt fees via Resolution with CPI adjustment



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Comparisons to other Municipalities (continued)

	Average	Median	High	Low	Rank	Count	Recommended Fee	Recommended Additional Fee / Comments	Current Fee	Current Additional Fee
Plats										
Amendment / Delegation Requests	\$1,032	\$684	\$4,200	\$102	14	21	\$1,000		\$500	
Nonresidential	\$2,968	\$2,339	\$19,500	\$500	20	24	\$2,500	\$50 per acre	\$1,000	\$50 per acre
Residential	\$2,834	\$2,167	\$19,500	\$300	21	24	\$2,500	\$50 per dwelling unit	\$750	\$5 per dwelling unit
Subdivision Resurvey / Re-plat	\$693	\$500	\$1,045	\$360	4	7	\$2,500	\$50 per acre \$50 per dwelling unit	\$500	\$100 recording
Resubmittals								1/2 the fee after 2nd submittal per review		
Sign Permit Applications										
Grand Opening Ground Sign	\$97	\$100	\$150	\$65	1	5	\$150		\$150	
Grand Opening Reopening Banner	\$67	\$70	\$100	\$0	5	5	\$75	Costs: Processing, 2 inspections	\$0	
Public Hearing Sign Bond (refundable deposit)	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$150	1	1	\$0	Cost to process payment & refund not justified	\$150	
Sign Permit - Other	\$107	\$100	\$150	\$70	1	3	\$150		\$150	
Uniform Sign Plan	\$640	\$450	\$1,702	\$100	9	9	\$100	per submittal	\$100	
Site Plan Applications										
Amendment	\$1,710	\$1,140	\$14,000	\$250	24	24	\$1,500		\$250	
Change of Occupancy	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$2,750	\$250	2	2	\$1,500		\$250	
Master Parking Plan	\$877	\$748	\$2,500	\$0	6	6	\$750	Cost recovery if needed	\$0	
Nonresidential	\$3,805	\$2,589	\$19,500	\$500	22	22	\$2,750	\$75 per 1,000 gross sq.ft. of floor area	\$500	\$1 per 25 sq. ft.
Planned District Site Plan	\$8,073	\$3,046	\$41,400	\$0	8	8	\$3,500	\$75 per 1,000 gross sq.ft. of floor area, \$50 per dwelling unit	\$0	
Pre-Application Meeting	\$396	\$250	\$1,350	\$0	9	9	\$300	\$300 each additional hour or 15 min. fraction	\$0	
Residential	\$3,689	\$2,550	\$19,500	\$500	23	23	\$2,750	\$50 per dwelling unit	\$500	\$5 per dwelling unit
Resubmittals	\$695	\$412	\$1,500	\$240	7	9		1/2 the fee after 2nd submittal per review	\$250	
Site Plan Extensions	\$604	\$357	\$1,765	\$0	13	13	\$500		\$0	



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Zoning Applications										
Alcohol Beverage License Review	\$112	\$100	\$400	\$0	17	17	\$100		\$0	
Land Use Plan Amendment	\$6,182	\$4,943	\$19,500	\$2,200	17	24	\$5,000	\$500 per acre	\$3,500	
Concurrency Developer Agreements	\$1,235	\$1,136	\$2,700	\$0	8	8	\$1,250		\$0	
Flexibility allocation requiring recertification or not	\$2,054	\$2,061	\$4,230	\$0	16	16	\$2,000	\$50 per acre \$50 per dwelling unit / regardless has to go to Planning Council	\$0	
Land Development Code Amendment	\$2,809	\$2,716	\$5,400	\$0	18	18	N/A		\$0	
Nonresidential Color Palette	\$8	\$8	\$15	\$0	2	2	\$75		\$0	
Reasonable Accommodation	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	1	1	\$0		\$0	
Rezoning	\$3,593	\$2,663	\$19,500	\$1,000	22	24	\$3,000	\$50 per acre	\$1,500	
Rezoning with Flex or Reserve Units	\$3,604	\$4,230	\$7,148	\$0	7	7	\$4,250	\$50 per dwelling unit	\$0	
Planned District Rezoning	\$4,472	\$5,250	\$7,500	\$0	10	10	\$5,250	\$50 per acre \$50 per dwelling unit	\$0	
Resubmittals	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250	1	1		1/2 the fee after 2nd submittal per review	\$250	
Special Exception Use	\$2,351	\$2,164	\$7,650	\$500	23	23	\$2,250	Site Plan fee	\$500	Site Plan fee
Temporary Storage Container (Building Dept.)	\$49	\$50	\$70	\$25	4	4	\$50		\$25	
Temporary Use Permit - Administrative	\$73	\$75	\$150	\$30	4	9	\$75	2 reviews then full fee each time	\$75	
Temporary Use Permit - City Commission	\$238	\$170	\$550	\$30	4	11	\$250	2 reviews then full fee each time	\$250	
Underground Wiring Waiver	\$400	\$400	\$400	\$400	1	1	\$400		\$400	
Walkway Café (less than 1,000 sq. ft.)	\$416	\$165	\$2,400	\$0	9	9	\$200		\$0	
Wireless Communications Annual Inspection	\$539	\$465	\$1,000	\$225	2	4	\$500		\$500	
Wireless Communications Site Development	\$2,396	\$2,160	\$4,000	\$1,420	1	7	\$4,000		\$4,000	
Zoning Confirmation Letter	\$147	\$117	\$334	\$51	18	24	\$250	\$75 per item after 3, expedited 7 days 2x fee	\$75	



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Zoning Board of Adjustment Applications										
Administrative Appeal	\$1,530	\$1,080	\$5,074	\$200	13	13	\$1,500		\$200	
Color Palette Waiver	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	1	1	\$500		\$200	
Sign Waiver	\$409	\$405	\$926	\$100	6	8	\$500	\$250 per sign 2x fee after the fact / each sign needs reviewed	\$200	
Zoning Variance	\$894	\$1,100	\$1,235	\$200	6	6	eliminate		\$200	
Zoning Variance Residential Homesteaded	\$665	\$539	\$2,800	\$0	19	19	\$600	\$250 per code item 2x fee after the fact	\$0	
Zoning Variance Non-Homesteaded or Non-residential	\$1,782	\$1,600	\$5,500	\$0	19	19	\$1,750	\$250 per code each item 2x fee after the fact/ each item needs reviewed	\$0	



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Actual Cost Comparisons

Marquesa	220 d.u.'s, 8.3 ac.		
	Fee Collected		Proposed Fee
Site Plan	\$1,600		\$13,750
Plat	\$1,850		\$13,500
Plat Amendment	\$500		\$1,000
UWW	\$200		\$400
TOTAL:	\$4,150		\$28,650
Firstgate	131,329 s.f. Warehouse, 9.3 ac.		
	Fee Collected		Proposed Fee
Site Plan	\$5,767.20		\$12,575
Subdivision Resurvey	\$500		\$2,965
TOTAL:	\$6,267.20		\$15,540

Margate Executive Golf Course	200 d.u.'s, 22.3 ac.		
	Fee Collected		Proposed Fee
LUPA	\$3,500		\$11,500
Rezoning	\$1,500		\$4,100
TOTAL:	\$5,000		\$15,600
Chipotle	2,462 s.f. restaurant with drive-thru, 0.88 ac.		
	Fee Collected		Proposed Fee
Site Plan	\$598.48		\$2,934.65
Special Exception	\$500		\$2,250
Subdivision Resurvey	\$500		\$2,544
TOTAL:	\$1,598.48		\$7,728.65



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Recommendation

- Direct staff to bring forward a Code Amendment removing all Development Services Department Fees from the Code
- Direct staff to bring forward a fee schedule to be adopted via Resolution

