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# **DEVELOPERS FEES**

# Developer-Construction Fees Residential-Commercial Information Packet

Effective: January 1, 2022

# Plan Check and Permit Fee Schedule

## CITY OF PARAMOUNT LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 93:036**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT ADOPTING FEES AND CHARGES ON DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS.

WHEREAS, the City Council has extensively studied the costs associated with conducting a Public Art Program, preparing a Storm Drain Master Plan, and preparing a General Plan Update Study; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to recoup the costs of providing these programs, services, and/or plans; and

WHEREAS, the Fiscal Year 1994 Budget establishes reasonable fees to pay for these programs, services, and/or plans; and

WHEREAS, the funds collected from these fees will be segregated specifically to provide these programs, services, and/or plans.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Paramount does FIND, DETERMINE, and RESOLVE as follows:

Section 1. The schedule of fees and charges on development projects, as set forth in Exhibit A, attached hereto and by this reference made part thereof, shall be adopted.

Section 2. This resolution shall take effect pursuant to Government Code, Section 66017.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Paramount this 3rd day of August, 1993.

Manuel E. Guillen, Mayor

Attest:

A. Holt, City Manager

§ 17.112.010

## CHAPTER 17.112 ART IN PUBLIC PLACES

Prior ordinance history: Ord. 1131.

#### § 17.112.010. Purpose.

The purpose of this chapter is to establish and maintain a public art requirement for private development in order to provide the following benefits to the community: (1) maintain Paramount's art and culture for generations; (2) recognize the vital importance of the arts to the City as a whole; and (3) make a lasting contribution to the intellectual, emotional, and creative life of the community at large, and create a more desirable community to live, work, and recreate. A policy is hereby established to require developers and/or owners of certain private developments to use a portion of building development costs for the acquisition and installation of freely accessible works of art. Additionally, requirements for public art not associated with new development are included.

(Ord. 1200, 6/10/2025)

## § 17.112.020. Contribution requirements—Public art associated with new private development.

#### Calculation.

- 1. Nonresidential Building Developments. Private nonresidential building developments involving a project valuation of \$100,000: or more shall devote an amount not less than 1% of building development costs for acquisition and installation of publicly accessible art on the development site or the adjacent right-of-way within one-fourth mile.
- 2. Residential Building Developments. Private residential building developments of five or more new dwelling units shall devote an amount not less than 1% of building development costs for acquisition and installation of publicly accessible art on the development site or the adjacent right-of-way within one-fourth mile.

#### B. In Lieu Contribution.

- 1. At the discretion of the developer and/or owner, and in lieu of installing public art, an in-lieu contribution shall be placed into the public art fund account for acquisition and placement of public art throughout the City.
- 2. At the discretion of the City, in addition to the required art installation of publicly accessible art on the development site or the adjacent right-of-way within one-fourth mile, an in-lieu contribution may be required from the developer/or property owner when it has been determined that the value of the proposed public art installation is less than the required 1%. The combined total shall be equal to the required 1% of building development costs for acquisition and installation of publicly accessible art on the development site or the adjacent right-of-way within one-fourth mile.

(Ord. 1200, 6/10/2025)



## STATE OF CALIFORNIA FEES

## Fee Schedule Strong-Motion Instrumentation and Seismic Hazard Mapping Fee

#### Category 1 Construction \* (1 to 3 Story Residential)

#### Method 1

The fee amount can be calculated from the permit valuation amount using the formula:

(Valuation Amount) X 0.00013 = Fee Amount

As an example, the fee for a \$128,580 valuation is \$128,580 x 0.00013 or \$16.72

#### Method 2

As an alternative to Method 1, the fee for a given valuation can be calculated using the following table, as illustrated below:

Valu	ation	Fee	Va	luation	Fee	Valuation	Fee	Valuation	Fee	Valuation	Fee
\$0	- 100	\$ 0.01	\$	1,000	\$ 0.13	\$ 10,000	\$ 1.30	\$ 100,000	\$ 13.00	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 130.00
\$	200	\$ 0.03	\$	2,000	\$ 0.26	\$ 20,000	\$ 2.60	\$ 200,000	\$ 26.00	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 260.00
\$	300	\$ 0.04	\$	3,000	\$ 0.39	\$ 30,000	\$ 3.90	\$ 300,000	\$ 39.00	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 390.00
\$	400	\$ 0.05	\$	4,000	\$ 0.52	\$ 40,000	\$ 5.20	\$ 400,000	\$ 52.00	\$ 4,000,000	\$ 520.00
\$	500	\$ 0.07	\$	5,000	\$ 0.65	\$ 50,000	\$ 6.50	\$ 500,000	\$ 65.00	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 650.00
\$	600	\$ 0.08	\$	6,000	\$ 0.78	\$ 60,000	\$ 7.80	\$ 600,000	\$ 78.00	\$ 6,000,000	\$ 780.00
\$	700	\$ 0.09	\$	7,000	\$ 0.91	\$ 70,000	\$ 9.10	\$ 700,000	\$ 91.00	\$ 7,000,000	\$ 910.00
\$	800	\$ 0.10	\$	8,000	\$ 1.04	\$ 80,000	\$ 10.40	\$ 800,000	\$ 104.00	\$ 8,000,000	\$ 1,040.00
\$	900	\$ 0.12	\$	9,000	\$ 1.17	\$ 90,000	\$ 11.70	\$ 900,000	\$ 117.00	\$ 9,000,000	\$ 1,170.00

The fee amount can be obtained by breaking the	\$100,000	\$13.00	
Evaluation amount into parts and using the entries in	20,000	2.60	
This table. An example for a permit valuation of	8,000	1.04	
\$128,580 is shown at the right:	500	0.07	
	80	0.01	
	\$128,580	\$16.72 F	ee Amount

#### \* Notes:

- 1) The minimum fee is 50 cents, so the fee for any valuation up to \$3850 is simply \$.50.
- 2) Category 1 construction includes residential buildings 1 to 3 stories in height, except hotels and motels. Single family houses, duplexes and quadruplexes are in Category 1. Condominiums and apartment buildings are in Category 1 only if they are 3 stories or less in height.
- 3) A "building" is defined as a structure built for the support, shelter or enclosure of people, animals or property.

## Fee Schedule Strong-Motion Instrumentation and Seismic Hazard Mapping Fee

#### Category 2 Construction \* (Over 3 story Residential and all Commercial)

#### Method 1

The fee amount can be calculated from the permit valuation amount using the formula:

(Valuation Amount) X 0.00028 = Fee Amount

As an example, the fee for a \$1,231,890 valuation is \$1,231,890 x 0.00028 or \$344.93

#### Method 2

As an alternative to Method 1, the fee for a given valuation can be calculated using the following table, as illustrated below:

Valu	uation	Fee	Va	luation	Fee	Valuation	Fee	Valuation	Fee	Valuation	Fee
\$0	- 100	\$ 0.03	\$	1,000	\$ 0.28	\$ 10,000	\$ 2.80	\$ 100,000	\$ 28.00	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 280.00
\$	200	\$ 0.06	\$	2,000	\$ 0.56	\$ 20,000	\$ 5.60	\$ 200,000	\$ 56.00	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 560.00
\$	300	\$ 0.08	\$	3,000	\$ 0.84	\$ 30,000	\$ 8.40	\$ 300,000	\$ 84.00	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 840.00
\$	400	\$ 0.11	\$	4,000	\$ 1.12	\$ 40,000	\$ 11.20	\$ 400,000	\$ 112.00	\$ 4,000,000	\$ 1,120.00
\$	500	\$ 0.14	\$	5,000	\$ 1.40	\$ 50,000	\$ 14.00	\$ 500,000	\$ 140.00	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 1,400.00
\$	600	\$ 0.17	\$	6,000	\$ 1.68	\$ 60,000	\$ 16.80	\$ 600,000	\$ 168.00	\$ 6,000,000	\$ 1,680.00
\$	700	\$ 0.20	\$	7,000	\$ 1.96	\$ 70,000	\$ 19.60	\$ 700,000	\$ 196.00	\$ 7,000,000	\$ 1,960.00
\$	800	\$ 0.22	\$	8,000	\$ 2.24	\$ 80,000	\$ 22.40	\$ 800,000	\$ 224.00	\$ 8,000,000	\$ 2,240.00
\$	900	\$ 0.25	\$	9,000	\$ 2.52	\$ 90,000	\$ 25.20	\$ 900,000	\$ 252.00	\$ 9,000,000	\$ 2,520.00

The fee amount can be obtained by breaking the evaluation amount into parts and using the entries in this table. An example for a permit valuation of \$1,231,890 is shown at the right:

\$1,000,000	\$280.00
200,000	56.00
30,000	8.40
1,000	0.28
800	0.22
90	0.03
\$1,231,890	\$344.93

Fee Amount

#### \* Notes:

- 1) The minimum fee is 50 cents, so the fee for any valuation up to \$1786 is simply \$.50.
- Category 2 includes all buildings not in Category 1. For example, Category 2 includes residential buildings over 3 stories, all office buildings, warehouses, factories and other manufacturing or processing facilities, restaurants, and other non-residential buildings.
- 3) A "building" is defined as a structure built for the support, shelter or enclosure of people, animals or property.

## The Building Standards Administration Special Revolving Fund



### Why is this surcharge collected on building permits?

The California legislation that created the requirement for the building permit fee is Senate Bill 1473 of 2008 (SB 1473, Chapter 719, Statutes of 2008). It added Sections 18931.6 and 18931.7 to the Health and Safety Code (HSC) creating the Building Standards Administration Special Revolving Fund (BSASRF). The BSASRF supports specific activities of the California Building Standards Commission (CBSC), the Department of Housing and Community Development, and the Office of the State Fire Marshal.

## HSC Section 18931.7 reads, in part:

"...emphasis [is to be] placed on the development, adoption, publication, and updating of green building standards, the updating of verification guidelines for Tier 1 or Tier 2 green building standards and educational efforts, including, but not limited to, training for local building officials associated with green building standards."

Because of this emphasis on green building standards, the fee is sometimes called the Green Fee. It's also known by the name of the bill, SB 1473.

#### How is the BSASRF fee calculated?

The fee is determined by the valuation of each building permit issued by a city or county in California. The minimum fee is \$1 for permits with valuation up to \$25,000, and it increases by \$1 for each additional \$25,000 (or fraction thereof) of the permit valuation (California Administrative Code, Title 24, Chapter 1, Article 5).

## Benefits to the Public and Industry Professionals:

- Continued improvement of green building standards found in the California Green Building Standards Code (CALGreen, Part 11 of Title 24, California Code of Regulations).
- Increased safety and reduced environmental impact of new construction and remodels.
- The public and industry professionals may receive training at no cost regarding the California Building Standards Code (Title 24), with emphasis on CALGreen and the public rulemaking process.
- Knowledgeable design professionals, contractors, builders, building officials and inspectors.

#### Benefits to Local Jurisdictions:

- Jurisdictions may retain up to 10 percent of the collected permit fee for administrative costs and code enforcement education for building officials and inspectors.
- Building officials and inspectors may receive training at no cost regarding the California Building Standards Code (Title 24), with emphasis on CALGreen and the public rulemaking process.

## Visit The Building Permit Fee page on CBSC's website at www.dgs.ca.gov/BSC

For more information regarding the BSASRF, read the *Guide to Filing Building Permit Fees*.

Also, access the California Administrative Code on this webpage.

CBSC is the BSASRF Administrator. Phone: 916-263-0916.

Email: BSASRF Fee@dgs.ca.gov.

Address: 2525 Natomas Park Drive, Suite 130, Sacramento, CA 95833

#### **BUILDING STANDARDS COMMISSION**

2525 Natomas Park Drive, Suite 130 Sacramento, California 95833 (916) 263-0916 FAX (916) 263-0959

#### **BUILDING STANDARDS BULLETIN 08-01**

**DATE:** OCTOBER 30, 2008

TO: CITY, COUNTY, AND CITY AND COUNTY JURISDICTIONS

SUBJECT: Chapter 719, Statutes of 2008 (Senate Bill No. 1473, Calderon)

On September 30<sup>th</sup> of this year Governor Schwarzenegger signed SB 1473 into law. It will take effect on January 1, 2009. Among other things, the bill provides for the creation of the Building Standards Administration Special Revolving Fund, which is established in the State Treasury. Moneys deposited in this fund will come from a surcharge on both residential and non-residential building permits.

The bill requires that each city, county, and city and county collect a fee from an applicant for a building permit, assessed at the rate of four dollars (\$4) per one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) in valuation, with appropriate fractions thereof, but not less than one dollar (\$1). "Appropriate fractions thereof" is interpreted to be \$1 per every twenty-five thousand (\$25,000) in valuation per table illustrated below. Fees will be submitted quarterly to the California Building Standards Commission (CBSC), as follows:

Permit Valuation	Fee
\$1 – 25,000	\$1
\$25,001 – 50,000	\$2
\$50,001 - 75,000	\$3
\$75,001 – 100,000	\$4
Every \$25,000 or fraction thereof above \$100,000	Add \$1

In addition, SB 1473 provides that the city, county, or city and county may retain up to ten (10) percent of the fees collected for related administrative costs and for code enforcement education. The bill requires that the local jurisdiction transmit the remainder to CBSC for deposit in the Building Standards Administration Special Revolving Fund.

Once appropriated, moneys deposited in this fund will be available to CBSC, the Department of Housing and Community Development, and the Office of the State Fire Marshal for expenditure in carrying out the provisions of the State Building Standards Law and provisions of State Housing Law that relate to building standards. Emphasis is to be placed on the development, adoption, publication, updating, and educational efforts associated with green building standards.

Notification that the first quarter's fees will be due on April 15, 2009, and a reporting form for the first quarter beginning January 1, 2009, and ending March 31, 2009, will be distributed to each city, county, and city and county, and placed on CBSC's website at www.bsc.ca.gov in the first part of 2009. If you have any questions concerning this bulletin, please contact Jane Taylor, Senior Architect, by telephone at (916) 263-0807, or via email at Jane.Taylor@dgs.ca.gov.

David Walls
Executive Director

# Park Development Fees

#### Paramount, California Municipal Code

#### Title 16 SUBDIVISIONS AND OTHER DIVISIONS OF LAND

#### Chapter 16.24 FEES, DEPOSITS AND BONDS

# 16.24.060 Regulations for payment of park fees for new residential dwelling units.

- A. Requirements. As a condition of approval of a building permit for a new residential dwelling unit in an R-M (Multiple Residential) zone or a PD-PS (Planned Development with Performance Standards) zone for multiple-family dwellings, the subdivider or developer shall pay a fee for park or recreational purposes at the time and according to the standards and formula contained in this section. This section does not apply to stock cooperatives, which consist of the subdivision of air space in an existing apartment building which is more than five years old, when no new dwelling units are added.
- B. General Standards. It is hereby found and determined that the public interest, convenience, health, welfare, and safety require that two acres of property for each 1,000 persons residing within this City be devoted to local park and recreational purposes.
- C. Amount of Fee. The fee to be paid shall not exceed, but can be less than the fee determined by the following formula:

- D. Fees. The subdivider shall pay a fee as described in subsection C, or \$500.00 for the first bedroom in each unit and \$250.00 for each bedroom in the unit in excess of one bedroom, whichever is less.
- E. Use of Money. The money collected hereunder shall be used exclusively for the purposes of developing new or rehabilitating existing neighborhood or community park or recreational facilities. The interest earned on the accumulated in-lieu fees shall be used for the same purposes.
- F. Credit for Private Open Space. Where private open space for park and recreational purposes is provided in a proposed subdivision and such space is to be privately owned and maintained by the future residents of the subdivision, such areas shall be credited against the requirement of the payment of fees in lieu thereof in subsection C of this section, provided the City Manager, or designee, finds it is in the public interest to do so and that the following standards are met:
  - 1. That yards, court areas, setbacks and maintenance of the open space is adequately provided for by written agreement; and
  - 2. That the private ownership and maintenance of the open space is adequately provided for by written agreement; and

- 3. That the use of the private open space is restricted for park and recreational purposes by recorded covenants which run with the land in favor of the future owners of property within the tract and which cannot be defeated or eliminated without the consent of the City Council; and
- 4. That the proposed private open space is reasonably adaptable for use for park and recreational purposes, taking into account such factors as size, shape, topography, geology, access, and location of the private open space land; and
- 5. That facilities proposed for the open space are in substantial accordance with the provisions of the recreational element of the General Plan, and are approved by the City Council. (Prior code § 39-266.1)

### **Contact:**

City Clerk: 562-220-2225

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## CITY OF PARAMOUNT LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

#### ORDINANCE NO. 616

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT ADDING SECTION 267 TO CHAPTER 39 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE, ESTABLISHING REGULATIONS FOR PAYMENT OF PARK FEES FOR NEW RESIDENTIAL DWELLING UNITS

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

#### Section 1. Section 39-267 is added to read as follows:

- A) Requirements. As a condition of approval of a building permit for a new residential dwelling unit in an R-M (Multiple Residential) zone or a PD-PS (Planned Development with Performance Standards) zone for multiple family dwellings, the subdivider or developer shall pay a fee for park or recreational purposes at the time and according to the standards and formula contained in this ordinance. This ordinance does not apply to stock cooperatives, which consist of the subdivision of air space in an existing apartment building which is more than five years old, when no new dwelling units are added.
- B) General Standards. It is hereby found and determined that the public interest, convenience, health, welfare, and safety require that two (2) acres of property for each 1,000 persons residing within this City be devoted to local park and recreational purposes.
- C) Amount of fee. The fee to be paid shall not exceed, but can be less than the fee determined by the following formula:

(Cost of Land/acre + Cost of Park Development/acre) X

- $\frac{2 \text{ acres}}{1,000 \text{ Population}}$  X Average number of persons per unit
  - = Fee to be paid
- D) Fees. The subdivider shall pay a fee as described in Section 3, or, \$500.00 for the first bedroom in each unit and \$250.00 for each bedroom in the unit in excess of one bedroom, whichever is less.
- E) Use of Money. The money collected hereunder shall be used exclusively for the purposes of developing new or rehabilitating existing neighborhood or community park or recreational facilities. The interest earned on the accumulated in-lieu fees shall be used for the same purposes.
- F) Credit for private open space. Where private open space for park and recreational purposes is provided in a proposed subdivision and such space is to be privately owned and maintained by the future residents of the subdivision, such areas shall be credited against the requirement of the payment of fees in lieu thereof in Section 3, provided the City Manager, or his designee, finds it is in the public interest to do so and that the following standards are met:
- a. That yards, court areas, setbacks and maintenance of the open space is adequately provided for by written agreement; and
- b. That the private ownership and maintenance of the open space is adequately provided for by written agreement; and

- c. That the use of the private open space is restricted for park and recreational purposes by recorded convenants which run with the land in favor of the future owners of property within the tract and which cannot be defeated or eliminated without the consent of the City Council; and
- d. That the proposed private open space is reasonably adaptable for use for park and recreational purposes, taking into account such factors as size, shape, topography, geology, access, and location of the private open space land; and
- e. That facilities proposed for the open space are in substantial accordance with the provisions of the recreational element of the General Plan, and are approved by the City Council.

Section 2. Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this Ordinance, or the application thereof to any person, firm, corporation or circumstance, is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not effect the validity of the remaining portion thereof. The City Council of the City of Paramount hereby declares that it would have adopted this ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, phrases, or portions be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

Section 3: Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect thirty days after its adoption. The City Clerk or his duly appointed deputy, shall certify to the adoption of this Ordinance and shall cause this Ordinance to be published as required by law.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Paramount this 6th day of August 1985.

City Clerk

charles Weldon, Mayor

Attest:

STATE OF CALIFORNIA ) COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) CITY OF PARAMOUNT )

I, William A. Holt, City Clerk of the City of Paramount, California, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Ordinance was adopted as Ordinance No. 616 of the City of Paramount at a regular meeting held August 6, 1985, and said Ordinance has been duly signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk and that the same was approved and adopted by the following roll call

AYES:

Councilmember Mies, Vice Mayor Mulrooney,

NOES:

Councilmember Boogaard

ABSENT:

Councilmember Caldwell

ABSTAIN:

None

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Paramount this 7th day of August, 1985.

## **Sewer Reconstruction Fees**

#### Paramount, California Municipal Code

#### Title 13 PUBLIC SERVICES

## **Chapter 13.08 SEWERS AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL**

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## 13.08.010 Adoption of County sewer and industrial waste regulation.

- A. There is hereby adopted as a Sanitary Sewers and Industrial Waste Ordinance of the City, Title 20, Utilities, Division 2 of the Los Angeles County Code, commonly referred to as the Sanitary Sewers and Industrial Waste Ordinance as amended July 27, 1989.
- B. Three copies of the Los Angeles County Code, Title 20, Utilities, Division 2, Sanitary Sewers and Industrial Waste Ordinance, as amended, have been deposited with the City Clerk and shall at all times be maintained by the City Clerk for use and examination by the public. (Prior code § 35-1)

#### 13.08.020 Construction and definition of terms and names.

Whenever any of the following names or terms are used in Ordinance No. 6130 of the County, as adopted by this chapter, each such name or term shall be deemed and construed to have the meaning ascribed to it in this section as follows:

Board. The City Council.

County Engineer. The City Engineer.

County Health Officer. The City Health Officer.

**County of Los Angeles**. The City of Paramount except in such instances where the County of Los Angeles is a correct notation due to circumstances.

**County sewer maintenance district**. The County sewer maintenance district except in the instance where the territory concerned either is not within or has been withdrawn from a County sewer maintenance district. In any such instance County sewer maintenance district means the City.

**Ordinance**. An ordinance of the City except in such instances where the reference is to a stated ordinance of the County.

**Public sewer**. All sanitary sewers and appurtenances thereto, lying within streets or easements dedicated to the City, which are under the sole jurisdiction of the City.

Trunk sewer. A sewer under the jurisdiction of a public entity other than the City.

**Unincorporated area of the County of Los Angeles**. Whenever, in Ordinance No. 6130 reference is made to the unincorporated area of the County of Los Angeles, such area shall be deemed to include in its true geographical location the area of the City of Paramount. (Prior code § 35-2)

#### 13.08.030 Definitions.

For the purposes of this chapter, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them by this section:

**Floor area**. The area included within the exterior walls of a building or portion thereof exclusive of open vent shafts and courts.

Lot. Any piece or parcel of land bounded, described or shown upon a map, plot or deed recorded in the office of the County Recorder, or shown as a separate parcel on the last equalized assessment roll which conforms to the boundaries of such lot as shown upon such recorded map, plot or deed or roll; provided, that in the event any building or structure or intended use covers more area than a lot as herein defined, the term "lot" shall include all such pieces or parcels of land upon which the building or structure or intended use is wholly or partly located, together with the yards, courts and other unoccupied spaces legally required for the building or structure.

**Owner**. An individual human being, a firm, partnership, corporation, organization or anyone having an interest in any lot or parcel of land in the City.

**Peak flow**. The instantaneous maximum rate of flow of sewage to be discharged to the sewer and, for the purpose of this chapter, shall be as provided herein.

**Public sewer**. The main line public sanitary sewer, excepting therefrom sewers under the jurisdiction of a public entity other than the City. (Prior code § 35-4)

### 13.08.040 Purpose of chapter.

Most of the existing sewers in the City were constructed years ago and were designed to serve residential and agriculture properties. However, due to the ever increasing population density within the City, the erection of many multifamily dwelling units and growth of the commercial and industrial areas the City sewerage system is no longer adequate to accommodate the increased volume of sewerage generated by such developments. The purpose of this chapter is to establish a means of providing adequate sewers required by development in the City and to establish a charge to be collected from all the properties that propose to discharge, to the public sewer, quantities of sewage in excess of the quantity for which the existing sewerage system was designed; and to establish a fund into which these charges may be deposited and from which money will be available for the City sewer reconstruction program. (Prior code § 35-5)

### 13.08.050 Sewer reconstruction plan.

The sewer reconstruction program shall be carried out basically in accordance with the City sewer reconstruction plan which is on file in the office of the City Engineer. If compliance with the reconstruction plan is impossible or impractical because of peculiar or unforeseen conditions and the purposes of this chapter may be accomplished and the public health and safety assured by an alternate construction, and the City Engineer so finds, he or she may grant an exception to the reconstruction plan permitting such alternate construction, subject to approval of City Council. (Prior code § 35-6)

## 13.08.060 Compliance with chapter.

No person shall, within the City, erect, construct, enlarge or alter any building or structure or cause the same to be done without first having complied with the provisions of this chapter. (Prior code § 35-7)

## 13.08.070 Enforcement of chapter.

The City Engineer shall enforce and administer all the provisions of this chapter. (Prior code § 35-8)

## 13.08.080 Sewer capacity within City.

The City Engineer shall determine what capacity is necessary in each public sewer to provide for the proper collection of sewage in the City. In the event a lot in the City is to undergo development or redevelopment, and the anticipated sewage from the proposed use is found by the City Engineer to exceed the capacity available in the public sewer, the building permit for such development or redevelopment shall not be issued until such time as capacity in the public sewer is available or can be made available before the building is occupied. (Prior code § 35-9)

## 13.08.090 Determination of peak flow.

- A. The size and grade of each public sewer shall be such as to provide at all times sufficient capacity for peak flow rates of discharge. In order to establish estimates of sanitary sewage at peak flow, the owner or developer of a building shall submit plans of intended construction and such other information as the City Engineer may require on printed forms provided for that purpose.
- B. The following table is established as the peak flows for the various occupancies and shall be used as the basis for computing the discharge rates to the public sanitary sewer:

OCCUPANCY	PEAK FLOW
Apartment or multiple dwelling	600 gal./day/dwelling unit
Assembly areas	15 gal./day/person
Auditorium	15 gal./day/seat
Automobile wash:	
Regular	86,400 gal./day/wash lane
Coin operated	2,500 gal./day/stall
Bar and cocktail lounges	60 gal./day/seat
Gas station:	
Without wash rack	1,500 gal./day
With wash rack	3,000 gal./day
Hospitals	1,500 gal./day/bed
Hospital (convalescent)	300 gal./day/bed
Hotels	600 gal./day/room
Ice plant	1,200 gal./day/1,000 sq. ft. of floor area
Industry, light (no water processes)	600 gal./day/1,000 sq. ft. of floor area
Laundry, automatic (public)	225 gal./day/machine
Medical office	900 gal./day/1,000 sq. ft. of floor area
Mobile homes and trailer courts	600 gal./day/unit
Motels	600 gal./day/unit
Office	600 gal./day/1,000 sq. ft. of floor area
Restaurant	150 gal./day/seat
Schools:	
Elementary	27 gal./day/capita
Other	75 gal./day/capita
Single-family dwelling	600 gal./day/dwelling unit
Stand or drive-in for sale of lunches, ice cream, beverages and similar items	900 gal./day/1,000 sq. ft. of floor area
Storage garages and warehouses	75 gal./day/1,000 sq. ft. of floor area
Stores, commercial and display	300 gal./day/1,000 sq. ft. of floor area

- C. All others shall be classified by the occupancy it most nearly resembles as determined by the City Engineer or as computed by the City Engineer in accordance with the anticipated use.
- D. The peak flow to the sanitary sewer for a building containing mixed occupancies shall be determined by adding the peak flow characteristics of the various occupancies as set forth in the above table.
- E. In the event that an area of occupancy, in use prior to the enactment of this chapter, is to undergo structural innovations and such innovations shall not increase the peak flow as it existed from the lot immediately prior to such date of enactment to the public sewer, the owner shall submit to the City Engineer an affidavit or statement pursuant to Section 2015.5 of the Code of Civil procedure, in duplicate, verifying the actual occupancy load prior to such date of enactment. (Prior code § 35-10)

## 13.08.100 Charges generally.

The applicant for a permit to build in the City shall declare all information necessary, as determined by the City Engineer, to comply with the provisions of this chapter and shall pay to the City at the time of issuance of a building permit, a charge based on the anticipated additional peak flow created by the new construction, or change of use, at the rate of \$0.20 per gallon per day of additional peak flow less any credit which might be allowed as provided in this chapter. (Prior code § 35-11)

## 13.08.110 Credits for existing capacity.

In calculating the chargeable peak flow of sewage, each lot within the City shall be given a credit of not less than 600 gallons per day per 5,000 square feet of lot area. This credit shall not be applied more than once to the same lot, except when the building on the lot has been demolished. (Prior code § 35-12)

## 13.08.120 Disposition of revenue.

The money collected under Section 13.08.100 shall be deposited with the City Treasurer, and credited to the City sewer reconstruction fund. (Prior code § 35-13)

## 13.08.130 Expenditures from City sewer reconstruction fund.

Money deposited in the City sewer reconstruction fund, as provided in this chapter, may be expended by the City Council to accomplish any lawful purpose as provided in this chapter and as set forth in Section 5471 of the Health and Safety Code of the State, or for such other sewer purpose that the City Council may lawfully authorize. All engineering costs, refunds as provided in this chapter, mileage, overhead, incidentals and construction cost necessarily incurred in the reconstruction of sewers shall be charged to the fund, to the extent allowed by law. (Prior code § 35-14)

## 13.08.140 Refund of charge.

In the event any person shall have paid the applicable sewer charge based on the anticipated additional peak flow created by the new construction, as provided in this chapter, and no portion of the new construction shall have been commenced and the permit for such construction shall have been canceled or expired, such person shall be entitled upon written request to a refund in an amount equal to 100% of the sewer charges paid by the person minus one percent of such charge. However, the amount retained shall not be less than \$10.00 nor more than \$100.00. (Prior code § 35-15)

#### 13.08.150 Reimbursement districts.

A. Definitions. For the purposes of this chapter, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them by this section:

**Reimbursement district**. That territory which may benefit from utilization of further or additional sewer facilities constructed or agreed to be constructed at the expense of the County general fund, pursuant to contracts entered into between subdividers and the County, in accordance with Section 11543 of the Business and Professions Code of the State.

The exterior boundaries of such reimbursement districts have been heretofore established and are reflected in reimbursement maps on file with the County and with the City.

**Reimbursement fees**. Those charges, the imposition of which is authorized by the provisions of the Subdivision Map Act of the State, imposed on territory within reimbursement districts, to recoup the cost of further and additional facilities constructed at the cost of the County. Such fees are reflected on those reimbursement maps heretofore referred to in this section.

**Reimbursement maps**. Those maps on file with the County, and the City, designating the exterior boundaries of reimbursement districts and reflecting the reimbursement fees chargeable to included territory as a condition of utilization of the sewer facilities for which County funds were expended.

B. Payment of Reimbursement Fees. No permit shall be issued for the connection of property lying within a reimbursement district to a public sewer until the applicant shall have first paid to the County all reimbursement fees attributable to the connecting property as indicated on the reimbursement map. Reimbursement fees shall be paid to the County Engineer, and payments so made shall become the property of the County in accordance with the provisions of contracts entered into pursuant to Section 11544 of the Business and Professions Code. (Prior code §§ 35-16, 35-17)

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# Water Capital Improvement Fees

#### Paramount, California Municipal Code

#### Title 13 PUBLIC SERVICES

#### Chapter 13.04 WATER WORKS SYSTEM

Article 4. Water Service

### 13.04.470 Water capital improvement charges.

- A. Definitions. All terms used in the section shall have the meaning respectively ascribed to them in this section:
  - 1. Acreage. The area of any lot, parcel, subdivision, or other property exclusive of any existing dedicated street rights-of-way or other easements which severely restrict the use of the property.
  - 2. Mains. All water mains existing or proposed to become a part of the City water system.
- B. Application. It shall be the duty of every person as owner or subdivider of a subdivision or single development within the City to file written application with the Water Department for a water service connection.
- C. Capital Improvement Charges. In addition to the established service installation charge, each applicant for water service connection shall pay the applicable capital improvement charge to the Water Department in accordance with subsection E.
- D. Basis of Charge. The capital improvement charge shall be based upon the Fire Department requirements for fire flow and duration, and shall be computed on the per acre charge.
- E. Fee Schedule. The following capital improvement charges shall be payable prior to final or parcel map approval or prior to issuance of a building permit in the case of developments not involving approval of a final or parcel map. In exceptional cases and upon approval by the City Council, fees may be paid over time on a scheduled basis with interest at a rate approved by the Council. These charges shall be based on the area of the property served as defined in subsection A.

Fire Flow (gpm)	Duration	Charge Per Acre
0 to 750	2 hrs.	
751 to 1,250	2 hrs.	
1,251 to 1,750	2 hrs.	
1,751 to 2,250	2 hrs.	
2,251 to 2,750	2 hrs.	To be established by resolution.
2,751 to 3,250	3 hrs.	
3,251 to 3,750	3 hrs.	
3,751 to 4,250	4 hrs.	
4,251 to 5,000	5 hrs.	

#### F. Credit for Water Mains.

- 1. The applicant shall be credited for cost incurred for all labor, equipment and material which he or she has incurred to extend, or replace with larger mains, any existing water mains outside the limits of the proposed development.
- 2. Such credit shall be applied to the fee established in subsection E and shall not exceed the amount of the fee.
- G. Reimbursement for Transmission Mains. In the case where the applicant is required by the City to construct a larger diameter transmission main which provides capacity to areas outside of the proposed development, the City shall pay for the additional cost necessitated by the increased size. The amount reimbursable to the applicant shall be negotiated between the City and the applicant prior to issuance of the application.
- H. Water Main Reconstruction Plan. The water main reconstruction program shall be carried out basically in accordance with the City's master plan for water which is on file in the office of the City Engineer.
- I. Disposition of revenue. The money collected under subsection E shall be deposited with the City Treasurer and credited to the City water capital improvement fund.
- J. Expenditure from Water Capital Improvement Fund. Money deposited in the City water capital improvement fund, as provided in this chapter, may be expended by the City Council to accomplish any lawful purpose as provided in this chapter. All engineering costs, overhead, incidentals, and construction cost necessarily incurred in the reconstruction or extension of water mains may be charged to the fund, to the extent allowed by law. (Prior code § 46-17.2)

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#### CITY OF PARAMOUNT LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 82:039**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT ESTABLISHING WATER RATES FOR PRIVATE FIRE SERVICE AND TEMPORARY SERVICE CONNECTIONS AND A WATER CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FEE FOR THE PARAMOUNT WATER SYSTEM.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1.</u> The City of Paramount shall charge and collect from each subscriber for readiness to serve and for water delivered by said City through the meter of said subscriber the following rates:

- (a) For normal Private Fire Protection Service connection, rate schedule for normal service shall be charged as established in Section 2 of Resolution No. 81:009.
- (b) Private Fire Protection Service Connection.
  - 1) The bi-monthly charge for fire service is as follows:

Fire Service	
Size 2"	Charge
<del>-</del>	\$10.00
3"	\$13.40
4"	\$20.00
6"	\$29.50
8"	\$40.00
10"	\$50.00
12"	\$62,00

(c) Temporary Service Connections. There will be a \$50 charge for the initial installation of a temporary service connection. If the meter is moved to another location from the original installation site, an additional fee of \$25 will be charged per move.

At the time of application, a deposit of \$350 shall be required. The minimum charge for water furnished shall be \$12.50 per month for a quantity of water not to exceed 1,250 cubic feet. Additional water consumption shall be charged at the rate established in Resolution No. 81:009 for the over allowable consumption rate per 100 cubic feet.

Section 2. Water Capital Improvement Charge. The Water Capital Improvement charge shall be assessed on the following as defined in Ordinance No. 504, Chapter 46-7.3

- (1) All structures located on a parcel of land within the City's water service area which are connecting to the water system for the first time.
- (2) An existing connection from a parcel where construction of additional dwelling units or change in land use intensity is proposed.
- (3) An existing connection from an industrial, commercial, or institutional parcel where proposed modifications will either increase water consumption by more than 25 percent, or will increase the existing fire flow requirement.

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The established fee shall be as follows:.

(a) Lands where fire flow requirement of the premises is:

Fire Flow (g pm)	Duration	Charge per Acre
0 to 750	2 hrs	\$1,200
851 to 1,250	2 hrs	\$1,300
1,251 to 1,750	2 hrs	<b>\$1,400</b>
1,751 to 2,250	2 hrs	\$1,600
2,251 to 2,750	2 hrs	\$1,800
2,751 to 3,250	3 hrs	\$2,000
3,251 to 3,750	3 hrs	\$2,400
3,751 to 4,250	4 hrs	\$2,800
4,251 to 5,000	5 hrs	\$3,200

For other conditions of fire flow or duration, the per acre charge shall be established by the City Manager based upon an engineering estimate of costs.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT, THIS 6th day of July, 1982.

Cornelius Boogaard, Vice Mayor

Clerk

Attest:

William A. Holt City Clerk

LHIREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 82:039 passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Paramount at a regular meeting held on

this 6th day of July, 1982.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 

AYES: Councilmembers Mies, Mulrooney, Weldon,

and Vice Mayor Boogaard

NOES: None

ABSENT: Mayor Mosier

ABSTAIN: None