

Resolution No. 2019-34

A Resolution to Amend Chapter A-239 of the City Code to Revise Various City Fees.

WHEREAS, the City of New Castle has completed a comprehensive review and analysis of the City's current fee schedule as found in Chapter A-239 of the City Code; and

WHEREAS, the City Administrator and his staff have surveyed other municipalities in Delaware to comparatively study the types and amounts of fees charged in those jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, many City fees have not been adjusted for many years and have not kept up with inflation and increased demand on City staff and resources;

WHEREAS, the City Code provides for fees for various City permits, licenses, applications and services to be set from time to time by resolution of the City Council;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the City Council of The City of New Castle that the fees and charges for the following permits, licenses, applications and services listed in Chapter A-239 of the City Code shall be revised as provided below:

I. VENDOR LICENSE:

\$100.00 Annually

II. RENTAL LICENSE:

\$75.00 per unit, annually. Includes initial inspection at time of application.

\$50.00 Each subsequent inspection to ensure Code compliance

III. BUSINESS LICENSE:

\$50.00/yr. 1-3 Employees

\$90.00/yr. 4-8 Employees

\$210.00/yr. 9-20 Employees

\$360.00/yr. 21+ Employees

IV. BUILDING PERMITS:

(1) Building permits (including fence and sign permits) are charged in accordance with the value of the work being done.

(a) For work or improvements valued at less than \$250: No permit is required, except for fences and signs in all districts and for all work and improvements in the Historic Districts regardless of value.

(b) For work or improvements valued at \$250 but less than \$1,000: \$50.00.

(c) For work or improvements valued at more than \$1,000 but less than \$1,000,000: \$150 plus 1.5% of the value of such work or improvements.

(d) For work or improvements valued at more than \$1,000,000: \$200, plus 1.5% of the value of such work or improvements.

(e) Permit fees shall be doubled if work is begun prior to issuance of a building permit.

V. BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT:

Filing fee for an appeal to, or any other application to the Board of Adjustment:

(a) In connection with property in an OS&R, R-1, R-2, R-3 or HR District: \$800.00

VI. SOLID WASTE PICK UP FEES:

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>PRICE</u>
Air Conditioner – window unit	\$35.00
Barbeque Grill (charcoal)	\$25.00
Barbeque Grill (gas – no propane tanks)	\$35.00
Bathroom – vanity w/sink	\$35.00
Bathroom – vanity w/o sink	\$25.00
Bathtub – fiberglass	\$25.00
Bathtub – cast iron	\$75.00
Bed frame – twin or double	\$25.00
Bedframe – king or queen	\$35.00
Carpet – (per room – cut to 4’ bundles)	\$20.00
Chair – dining or accessory chair	\$15 each or \$25.00 (pair)
Chair – upholstered	\$30.00
Chair - recliner	\$35.00
Construction debris	<i>Written quote required</i>
Desk – child size to 4’ wide	\$25.00
Desk - large (over 4’ wide)	\$35.00
Dishwasher	\$40.00
Dresser	\$25.00
Dryer	\$40.00
Hot water heater	\$40.00
Matt./box spring combo twin/double	\$25.00

Matt./box spring combo king/ queen	\$35.00
Microwave	<i>Written quote required.</i>
Mirror (framed/unframed)	\$15.00
Push Mower (drained of fluids)	\$25.00
Refrigerator- large	\$50.00
Refrigerator – small – dorm sized	\$25.00
Screen Door	<i>Written quote required.</i>
Sofa – up to 6’ long	\$35.00
Sofa – over 6’ long / sectional	\$40.00
Sofa – fold out sleeper	\$40.00
Stove /Oven	\$45.00
Television – in cabinet/console	\$35.00
Television – analog or projection unit	\$35.00
Television – flat screen 35” or less	\$25.00
Television – flat screen over 35”	\$30.00
Tire	<i>Written quote required.</i>
Toilet / bidet	\$25.00
Washing machine – top load	\$45.00
Washing machine – front load	\$50.00
Other miscellaneous household items:	<i>Written quote required.</i>

VII. SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT:

A. The following shall be the schedule of the fees and charges under the regulation of Subdivision and Land Development in the City of New Castle:

(1) Major subdivision/land development plans for single-family detached residential development:

(a) Filing fee: \$500.

(b) Review fee:

[1] Zero to 19 lots: \$200, plus \$100 per lot.

[2] Twenty to 99 lots: \$300, plus \$100 per lot.

[3] One hundred or more lots: \$450 plus, \$100 per lot.

(2) Major subdivision/land development plans for residential (multifamily group, two-family):

(a) Filing fee: \$500.

(b) Review fee:

[1] Zero to 19 dwelling units: \$200, plus \$50 per dwelling unit.

[2] Twenty to 99 dwelling units: \$300, plus \$50 per dwelling unit.

[3] One hundred or more dwelling units: \$500, plus \$50 per dwelling unit.

(3) Major subdivision/land development plans for nonresidential development plans:

(a) Filing fee: \$1,000.

(b) Review fee:

[1] Zero to 4.99 acres: \$1,000.

[2] Five to 19.99 acres: \$2,000.

[3] Twenty to 49.99 acres: \$3,500.

[4] Fifty to 99.99 acres: \$5,000.

[5] One hundred plus acres: \$7,500.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all other fees presently listed in Chapter A-239 of the City Code not revised in the foregoing resolution are hereby ratified and confirmed.

PASSED this 2nd day of October, 2019.

Linda Ratchford, City Council President

Valarie W. Leary, Councilperson

Michael M. Platt, Councilperson

Russell P. Smith, Councilperson

Suzanne M. Souder, Councilperson

Attest:

Brian Whitaker, City Clerk