



SUPPORTING DOCUMENT

BUILDING VALUATION DETERMINATION

Residential and Commercial Building Permit Fees and Fire Code Construction Permits are determined by the building value or value of the improvement as calculated by either using the square footage of the project multiplied by the square foot construction cost, as compiled by the International Code Council (ICC) and published by the Building Safety Journal magazine annually, or the value of the improvement. For improvements not covered in the ICC table, applicants may be asked to provide the valuation for those projects (i.e., replacement furnaces, decks, or other components of a construction project). That value will then be multiplied by a Permit Fee Multiplier for the total permit fee. For single-family residences, the Permit Fee Multiplier includes all the standard improvements of the structure (no additional fixture fee, plan review fee, etc.) For commercial projects, the Permit Fee Multiplier includes the main structure only; supporting elements such as mechanical and plumbing, etc. will have a separate fee based on the value of the improvement.

Where the values are unclear, the Department will use the RS Means or Saylor Publications, Inc. latest editions, or other regionally accepted valuation determination publication.

In accordance with the August 2018 edition of ["Building Valuation Data, Table 1"](#), one and two family residential buildings and their associated accessory structures shall have a minimum valuation as follows:

New residential space	\$ 120.75	per sq ft
New unfinished (or semi-finished) basement of a dwelling	\$ 47.09	per sq ft
New garage, barn, shed, pole building (unheated, attached or detached)	\$ 47.09	per sq ft
New deck (greater than 30" to grade or 18" if adjacent to water)	\$ 15.70	per sq ft
New free-standing roof structures, carports, covered deck	\$ 24.15	per sq ft
New foundation under an existing structure	\$ 15.70	per sq ft
New second floor of a garage, unfinished storage space	\$ 47.09	per sq ft
New second floor or addition to a garage, finished space	\$ 72.45	per sq ft
New second floor of a garage used as heated living space	\$ 120.75	per sq ft
New modular home installed on a land parcel	\$ 120.75	per sq ft
Interior residential remodel - Minor	\$ 24.15	per sq ft
Interior residential remodel - Major (when down to studs)	\$ 72.45	per sq ft
Conversion of existing basement or garage to residential space	\$ 72.45	per sq ft
Conversion of existing basement or garage to shop/hobby space	\$ 24.15	per sq ft
Fences greater than 6 feet high	\$ 15.70	per lineal ft
Retaining walls (upland, greater than 4' high)	\$ 24.15	per lineal ft
Bulkhead (shoreline)	\$ 163.01	per lineal ft