

# 2006 FEE SCHEDULE

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2006 -- Projects that were submitted with complete construction plans prior to this date, but not yet sold will be sold at the previous fees.

**Goals & Expectations:** Our goal is to continue providing the citizen's of the City of Houston with excellent service by reducing our plan review time to 11 days or less starting June 2007.

**Summary of changes:** The most significant change is the change to basing permit fees on valuation. Remodels have always been priced on valuation, now all building permits for remodels, alterations, and new structures will be determined by valuation. Other permits and administrative fees were increased slightly.

<b>Valuation Table</b>	
*Use this table to determine fees when noted in the fee schedule*	
Valuation (rounded to the nearest dollar)	Permit Fee
\$0.01 - \$7,000	\$35
\$7,001 - \$150,000	\$35 for the first \$7,000 plus \$4 for every additional \$1000 in valuation or fraction thereof
\$150,001 - \$200,000	\$607 for the first \$150,000 plus \$3.75 for every additional \$1000 in valuation or fraction thereof
\$200,001 - \$300,000	\$794.50 for the first \$200,000 plus \$3.50 for every additional \$1000 in valuation or fraction thereof
\$300,001 - \$500,000	\$1,144.50 for the first \$300,000 plus \$3.25 for every additional \$1000 in valuation or fraction thereof
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	\$1,794.50 for the first \$500,000 plus \$3 for every additional \$1000 in valuation or fraction thereof
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	\$3,294.50 for the first \$1,000,000 plus \$2.75 for every additional \$1000 in valuation or fraction thereof
\$5,000,001 - \$50,000,000	\$14,294.50 for the first \$5,000,000 plus \$1.50 for every additional \$1000 in valuation or fraction thereof
\$50,000,001 and up	\$81,794.50 for the first \$50,000,000 plus \$1.00 for every additional \$1,000 in valuation or fraction thereof

Notes:

1. New single family homes with a valuation of \$115,000 or less shall receive a 50 percent discount on permit fees.
2. A historic building that has been designated by the jurisdiction as a landmark or that is located within a historic district designated by the jurisdiction, or for which designation as a landmark or part of a historic district is pending, shall receive a 50 percent discount on permit fees provided that a certificate of appropriateness issued pursuant to Chapter 33 of the City Code is submitted with the construction documents.

**Definitions:**

**VALUATION.** The total cost of construction to the end user, excluding the land purchase costs and the overhead attributed to the land purchase. The value of donated goods and services is included.

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<b>Administrative &amp; General Inspection Fees</b>		
Description	Fee prior to 07/01/06	Fee Effective 07/01/06
Administrative fee	5.00	10.00
Minimum permit fee	12.00	35.00
Certificate of Occupancy	50.00	55.00
Certificate of Compliance	50.00	55.00
Temporary Certificate of Occupancy	35.00	55.00
Reinspection fee	25.00	35.00
Special requested inspections	200.00	240.00
Emergency inspections	150.00 (min. 4 hours) 25.00 (ea. hour or portion thereof exceeding 4 hours)	150.00 (min. 4 hours) 35.00 (ea. hour or portion thereof exceeding 4 hours)
Inspections outside of jurisdiction	200.00+ 20/mile	240.00 + the current standard mileage rate as published by the IRS.
Overtime inspections	240.00 (min. 4 hours) 35.00 (ea. hour or portion thereof exceeding four hours)	Same
Name change	50.00	55.00
Address change	50.00	55.00
Duplicate job card	20.00	55.00

<b>Plan Review Fees</b>		
Description	Fee prior to 07/01/06	Fee Effective 07/01/06
Prefabricate buildings or modular buildings	.05 sq. ft.	*See Valuation Table
Residential Master Plans	New Fee	40.00
Deferred, resubmittals, revisions	35.00	40.00
Manufactured Home Parks	35.00- 15 spaces or less 1.50- Each additional space	Same

<b>Parking Lots, Paved Areas, and Sidewalks</b>		
Description	Fee prior to 07/01/06	Fee Effective 07/01/06
Parking lot or paved areas	35.00- First 1,000 sq. ft. or part thereof 1.50- Each additional 1,000 sq. ft or part thereof	40.00- First 1,000 sq. ft. or part thereof 2.00- Each additional 1,000 sq. ft or part thereof
Sidewalks	30.00 -First 100 lineal ft 7.00 -each additional lineal ft	35.00 -First 100 lineal ft 8.00 -each additional lineal ft
Driveways	30.00	35.00
Culvert pipes (not in driveways)	30.00-First 100 lineal ft 7.00- each additional lineal ft	35.00 -First 100 lineal ft 8.00 -each additional lineal ft
Curb and Gutter	30.00-First 100 lineal ft 7.00- each additional lineal ft	35.00 -First 100 lineal ft 8.00 -each additional lineal ft

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<b>Structural Permit Fees</b>		
<b>2006 Description</b>	<b>Fee prior to 07/01/06</b>	<b>Fee Effective 07/01/06</b>
New buildings	.05/ sq. ft.	See valuation table
Additions, alterations, remodels, conversions, and repairs	0.45 of 1% of valuation	See valuation table
Demolition of a building	55.00 (for the first story) 25.00 (for each additional story)	60.00 (for the first story) 30.00 (for each additional story)
Towers (other than signs)	0.45 of 1% of valuation	See valuation table
Dredging	None	100.00
Prefabricated fireplaces	12.00	15.00
Sand or water blasting	30.00	35.00
Grading	30.00	35.00
Loading docks	30.00 First 100 lineal feet 0.07 Each additional lineal ft	35.00 First 100 lineal feet 0.08 Each additional lineal ft
Paint spray booth	30.00	35.00
Stationary and floating piers	20.00 First 100 square feet of deck area .15 Each additional square foot	Same
Bulkheads	40.00 First 100 lineal feet or part thereof 10.00 Each additional 100 lineal feet or part thereof	Same
Incinerators (other than domestic outdoor type)	75.00	Same
Barricades	55.00 First 100 lineal feet 15.00 Each additional lineal foot	Same
Heliports and Helistops	700.00	Same
Fire Escapes	30.00 Four stories or less 15.00 Each additional story in height	Same

<b>Fences</b>		
<b>Description</b>	<b>Fee prior to 07/01/06</b>	<b>Fee Effective 07/01/06</b>
First 100 lineal feet or part thereof	55.00	55.00
Ea. Additional 100 lineal feet or part thereof	7.00	8.00

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<b>Occupancy &amp; Inspection Fees</b>		
<b>Description</b>	<b>Fee prior to 07/01/06</b>	<b>Fee Effective 07/01/06</b>
Certificate of Occupancy or Life Safety Inspection	300.00 First story	400.00 First story
Certificate of Occupancy or Life Safety Inspection	100.00 Each additional story	Same
Certificate of Occupancy or Life Safety Inspection.	New Fee	.01 Each additional sq. ft. above 10,000 sq. ft. with a maximum of 200,000 sq. ft
Certificate of Occupancy or Life Safety Inspection (Residential multifamily buildings, per contiguous project)	300.00 1-30 units	400.00 1-30 units
Certificate of Occupancy or Life Safety Inspection ( Residential multifamily buildings, per contiguous project)	10.00 Each additional unit over 30	Same
Duplicate life safety compliance certificate	35.00	55.00
Certificate name change only	50.00	55.00
Duplicate certificate of occupancy	35.00	55.00
Change of address	50.00	55.00
Certificate for individual retail or office spaces of less than 3,000 sq. ft. in multi-tenant buildings	35.00 If performed at the same time as the building core inspection	55.00 If performed at the same time as the building core inspection
Certificate for individual retail or office spaces of less than 3,000 sq. ft. in multi-tenant buildings	125.00	200.00
Incinerator inspection	35.00	Same
Revalidation inspection	25.00	Same

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<b>HVAC Fees</b>		
<b>Description</b>	<b>Fee prior to 07/01/06</b>	<b>Fee Effective 07/01/06</b>
Ventilating systems or heat only systems (other than boilers)	1.15 percent of valuation, plus \$15.00	2.0 percent of valuation, plus \$35.00
Repairs or alterations to existing HVAC or refrigeration systems	1.15 percent of valuation, plus \$15.00 Excpt: Ducts and grilles in a lease space, where total valuation is less than \$500.00: \$30.00 for each lease space.	2.0 percent of valuation, plus \$35.00 Excpt: Ducts and grilles in a lease space, where total valuation is less than \$500.00: \$35.00 for each lease space.
Air-handling and duct systems for air-conditioning in buildings that have heating or cooling fluid from an external source	3.00 per ton, plus \$25.00	4.00 per ton, plus \$35.00
Air-conditioning cooling equipment located in a building other than the one being cooled	3.00 per ton, plus \$25.00	4.00 per ton, plus 35.00
A complete air-conditioning system where the cooling equipment, the air-handling equipment and duct system are in the same building.	6.00 per ton, plus \$25.00	8.00 per ton, plus 35.00
Commercial, manufacturing and industrial process refrigeration systems	6.00 per ton, plus \$25.00 or HP whichever is greater	8.00 per ton, plus 35.00 or HP whichever is greater
Temporary operation inspection	30.00	35.00
Self contained air conditioning units	6.00 per ton, plus \$25.00	8.00 per ton, plus 35.00
Boiler installation based on Btu input and/or HP	25.00 plus, 3.00 per BHP or part thereof	35.00 plus, 4.00 per BHP or part thereof
Repair permit	1.15 percent of valuation, plus 25.00	2.0 percent of valuation, plus 35.00
Manufactured home inspections	25.00	Same
Certificate of approval	20.00	Same
Annual Boiler Fee	30.00	Same

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<b>Plumbing Fees</b>		
<b>Description</b>	<b>Fee prior to 07/01/06</b>	<b>Fee Effective 07/01/06</b>
Minimum Fee	12.00	35.00
Temporary gas inspection	25.00	35.00
Gas permit and inspection (up to 3 openings)	12.00	35.00
Additional gas openings, each	3.00	5.00
Manufactured home inspection	25.00	35.00
Fire sprinkler system (any head or group of heads up to 25 that is regulated with a valve for any portion of a building)	75.00	75.00
Each additional head	2.00	3.00
Standpipe system (1-25 hose connections)	50.00	55.00
Each additional hose connection	2.00	3.00
Furnace (nonduct type)	12.00	15.00
Each additional furnace	6.00	7.50
Floor furnace (nonduct type)	30.00	35.00
Infrared heaters (one or two)	12.00	15.00
Each additional	6.00	7.50
Yard lights or barbecue grills (first opening)	12.00	15.00
Each additional opening	6.00	7.50
Wall heater	12.00	15.00
Each additional	6.00	7.50
Gas steam radiator	30.00	35.00
Each additional radiator	6.00	7.50
Commercial dryer	30.00	35.00
Commercial oven	40.00	Same
Plumbing fixtures (1-2)	12.00	15.00
Each additional	6.00	7.50
Warm-air circulators (nonduct) (1-3)	30.00	35.00
Each additional	6.00	7.50
Tie to curb inlet-storm sewer	60.00	65.00
Manholes, each	60.00	65.00
Roof drain or outside downspout connection to drainage system (1-2)	12.00	15.00
Each additional	6.00	7.50
Catch basin or outside area drain (1-2)	12.00	15.00
Each additional	6.00	7.50
Sewer connections	35.00	40.00
Ground in plumbing for shell buildings 3,000 sq. ft. or less floor area	30.00	35.00
Each additional 1,000 sq. ft. or part thereof	10.00	15.00
Disconnect and plug main sewer connection	30.00	35.00
Tanks (not septic tanks) 0-1,000 gallons	30.00	35.00
1,001-6,000 gallons	45.00	50.00
6,001-15,000 gallons	70.00	Same
15,001-30,000 gallons	115.00	Same
Over 30,000 gallons	170.00	Same
Med gas, each outlet	3.00	5.00

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<b>Electrical Fees</b>		
<b>Description</b>	<b>Fee prior to 07/01/06</b>	<b>Fee Effective 07/01/06</b>
Minimum fee	12.00	35.00
Meter Loop and Service Up to and including 50kW	12.00	35.00
MLS 51kW – 250kW	20.00	40.00
MLS Over	30.00	45.00
Panels with eight or more circuits, ea	5.00	6.00
Outlets, each	.35	.50
Fixtures, each	.35	.50
Range receptacle	2.25	2.50
Clothes dryer	2.25	2.50
Stove top	2.25	2.50
Oven	2.25	2.50
Garbage disposal	2.25	2.50
Dishwasher	2.25	2.50
Window air conditioner receptacle	2.25	2.50
Motors Up to and including 1 HP	1.50	2.00
Over 1 – 10 HP	6.00	7.50
Over 10 HP (each additional HP)	.30	.50
Shop inspection of incandescent electrical signs and gas or vacuum tube signs, 0-5 kVA	30.00	35.00
Each additional kVA or fraction thereof exceeding 5 kVA	5.00	7.00
Installation inspection of incandescent electrical signs and gas or vacuum tube signs, 0-5 kVA	30.00	35.00
Each additional kVA or fraction thereof exceeding 5 kVA	5.00	7.00
Streamers and festoon lighting per circuit	6.00	7.50
Ball park and parking lot light poles	30.00	35.00
Temporary saw poles	20.00	35.00
Temporary cut-in made permanent	30.00	35.00
Temp. Installations (Saws, spray machines, etc)	15.00	Same
Temp. Sound equipment	20.00	Same
Temp. Lighting installations	15.00	Same
Reconnection fee	20.00	35.00

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<b>Sign Fees</b>		
<b>Description</b>	<b>Fee prior to 07/01/06</b>	<b>Fee Effective 07/01/06</b>
Site Inspection	60.00	Same
Reinspection fee Site, hole and electrical	25.00	35.00
Construction or reconstruction permit, the first 50 square feet of one sign face or fraction thereof	45.00	45.00
Each sq. ft. of sign face or fraction thereof exceeding 50 sq ft.	.33	.35
Operating permit—on premise signs, the first 50 square feet of one sign face or fraction thereof	15.00	50.00
Operating permit – off premise signs that advertise the sale or rental of real property	100.00	Same
Operating permit – off premise signs other than above	40.00	Same
Each sq. ft. of sign face or fraction thereof exceeding 50 sq ft.	.27	.30
Replacement of lost or damaged operating tag	25.00	35.00
Plan examination fee	25.00	35.00
Plan reexamination fee due to alteration of approved plan	25.00	35.00

<b>Alarm, Detectors, Central Station Security and Testing Fees</b>		
<b>Description</b>	<b>Fee prior to 07/01/06</b>	<b>Fee Effective 07/01/06</b>
Smoke or heat actuated detectors (1-10)	30.00	35.00
Each additional detector	2.00	2.50
Security system, minimum	25.00 10.00 - each floor over 2	35.00 10.00 - each floor over 2
Emergency central alarm/station	25.00	Same
Emergency public address system	40.00 – 1 to 9 floors 4.00 – Each additional floor	Same
Retest entire emergency system	75.00	Same
Retest any single-type system	25.00	Same