

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 110-286, 110-287, 110-403 and 110-406 OF CHAPTER 110, FEES, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ROCHESTER HILLS, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, TO MODIFY SIGN PERMIT FEES AND TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES.

THE CITY OF ROCHESTER HILLS ORDAINS:

Section 1. Section 110-286 of Chapter 110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Rochester Hills shall be amended as follows:

Sec. 110-286. Planning department.

Planning department fees pertaining to tree removal permits as provided in article III of chapter 126 shall be as follows:

- (1) *Escrow fee for plan review/inspections.* There shall be an escrow account established for site plan/plat review and inspections. Escrow deposits are to be made at the time of application. Any additional consulting and/or administrative fees shall be paid prior to permit issuance or approval. The minimum escrow deposit shall be ~~\$250~~270.00.
- (2) *Internal review, consultation and/or field inspection.* If service(s) conducted by city staff, service shall be charged at a rate of ~~\$85~~90.00 per hour.
- (3) *Consulting fee.* When consulting personnel are employed for site plan/plat review, preconstruction meetings, and site inspections, their cost will be deducted from the escrow deposit. If costs exceed the escrowed amount, additional fees charged will be equivalent to the city's cost for such consulting service.
- (4) *Administrative fee.* Twenty percent of the sum of the fees in subsections (1), (2) and (3) of this section shall be an administrative fee.
- (5) *Payment.* All escrow fees are payable to the city at the time of application.

Section 2. Section 110-287 of Chapter 110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Rochester Hills shall be amended as follows:

Sec. 110-287. Parks and ~~forestry~~ Natural Resources department.

- (1) Parks and ~~forestry~~ Natural Resources department fees pertaining to site plan, plats, single-family, and site condominium review shall be as follows:
 - a. Hourly fee\$ ~~85.00~~ 90.00
 - b. Minimum escrow ~~deposit250~~deposit 270.00
- (2) Parks and ~~forestry~~ Natural Resources department fees pertaining to tree removal permits as provided in article III of chapter 126 shall be as follows:

- a. *Minimum fee.* A minimum fee of \$90.00 shall be paid at the time of submission of the plan.
- b. *Additional costs.* Costs exceeding the fee amount will be charged at a rate of ~~\$75.00~~ \$90.00 per hour.
- c. *Time of payment.* The minimum fee shall be payable to the city at the time of application.

Section 3. Section 110-403 of Chapter 110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Rochester Hills shall be amended as follows:

Sec. 110-403. Permanent sign fees.

(a) Prior to erection of a permanent sign, the following charges shall be paid:

(1) *Plan review fee.*

- a. Where review of construction documents is performed by city employees, the review fee shall be charged at ~~\$85.00~~ \$90.00 per hour or fraction thereof.
- b. Where the review of construction documents is performed by outside consultants, the review fee shall be charged at 1.25 times the actual cost. Payment shall be in advance based on estimated cost.

(2) *Sign permit fees.*

- a. Wall signs: ~~\$85.00~~ \$90.00
- b. Monument signs: ~~\$165.00~~ \$180.00

Permit fee covers one inspection for wall signs and two inspections for monument signs. All additional inspections will require the re-inspection fee prescribed in subsection (3), below.

(3) *Reinspections.* For reinspections under this article, the fee shall be ~~\$85.00~~ \$90.00 per inspection.

(b) Whenever a panel or the lettering of an existing sign is being changed, including alteration of the sign message, and it appears that no additional sign area will be used and there is no relocation of the sign, a permit fee of ~~\$85.00~~ \$90.00 shall be charged in addition to the application fee.

Section 4. Section 110-406 of Chapter 110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Rochester Hills shall be amended as follows:

Sec. 110-406. Cancellation of permit.

If a sign permit is cancelled all fees shall be refunded except the application fee, plan review fee, ~~expired permit extension fees, and~~ 25 percent of the permit fee, and ~~\$85.00~~ \$90.00 per inspection.

Section 5. Severability. This ordinance and each article, section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, part, provision, sentence, word and portion thereof are hereby declared to be severable, and if they or any of them are declared to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason by a court of competent jurisdiction, it is hereby provided that the remainder of this ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

Section 6. Repeal, Effective Date, Adoption.

(1) Repeal. All regulatory provisions contained in other City ordinances, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance, are hereby repealed.

(2) Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective on _____, following its publication in the *Oakland Press* on _____, 2024.

(3) Adoption. This ordinance was adopted by the City Council of the City of Rochester Hills at a meeting thereof held on _____, 2024.

Bryan K. Barnett, Mayor
City of Rochester Hills

CERTIFICATE

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING ORDINANCE WAS ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCHESTER HILLS AT A MEETING THEREOF ON _____, 2024.

Leanne Scott, Clerk
City of Rochester Hills