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NOTICE OF FEE CHANGE - EFFECTIVE 10/01/21

Ordinance No. 21-06-18 adopted by the Aiken County Council on June 15, 2021 updated how building and related permit fees are calculated.

Aiken County building permits are computed on a graduated fee schedule based on the value of a project. The value is standardized according to the structure's area and construction values published by the International Code Council. The standard values differ according to the uses and construction types established by the South Carolina Building Code. Ordinance No. 21-06-18 updates the standardize construction values to the February 2021 version. The amendment does not change the existing fee schedule. The updated construction values will generate higher permit fees. The adopted change will also impact the associated permit review fee, which is calculated at 50% of the permit fee.

The changes to the building valuations are effective October 1, 2021. All permit applications received by the Aiken County Planning and Development Department on or after October 1, 2021 are subject to the new valuation table. Current building valuations will apply to all complete permit applications received before the close of business on September 30, 2021

Questions regarding the changes may be directed to planning@aikencountysc.gov, codes@aikencountysc.gov, or 803-642-1520.

Additional information on the fee changes:

- [Ordinance No. 21-06-18 - FY 2022 Budget](#)
- [Aiken County Permit Schedule - no changes provided for information](#)
- [2021 Aiken County Construction Valuation Chart](#)
- [ICC - February 2021 - Building Valuation Data](#)