

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-08-14-02
TRAVIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 5

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH FEES PAYABLE FOR PERMIT APPLICATIONS, INSPECTIONS AND OTHER ACTIONS REQUIRED BY THE DISTRICT'S FIRE CODE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the District's Fire Code provides for fees payable connection with applications, inspections and other actions; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners of the District desire to establish all such fees, reasonably based on the administrative and third-party costs to the District in connection with all such actions,

Now, therefore, it is ORDAINED, RESOLVED, AND ORDERED by the Commissioners of Travis County Emergency Services District No. 5 that:

Section 1: Adoption of Fees

(a) The fees payable for various applications, inspections, and other actions required or allowed pursuant to the District's Fire Code attached hereto are incorporated herein and adopted as the fees payable in connection with each such action. A failure to pay any such fee when due shall have the effect provided in the District's Fire Code, and, until such fee is paid, no inspections shall be conducted, no interim or final approvals shall be issued, and any prior approvals shall be suspended, that pertain to the project, development, or action that is the subject of such unpaid fee.

(b) The District may from time to time engage third parties, such as engineers and other professionals, to assist in reviews and inspections required or allowed by the terms of the District's Fire Code that require technical expertise. The actual cost to the District of such third-party services shall be included in the fee payable by the applicant. When the total amount of such costs cannot be predicted at the time of submission of an application or other request for which a fee is owing, the District may provide a reasonable estimate of such cost to be paid at the time of submission of the application or request for which the fee is owing. The amount of any overpayment of such costs shall be returned to the applicant/requester within ten (10) days after the date the development or other action has been completed or finally approved, as applicable, or the subject application or request has been withdrawn. Underpayment of such costs or estimated costs shall be due and payable by an applicant/requester ten (10) days after the earlier of: (i) the date the District issues to the applicant/requester a revised reasonable estimate of such costs; (ii) the date the development or other action has been completed and finally approved; or (iii) the date the application or request has been withdrawn.

Section 2: Severability/Enforceability

Should any provision of this Ordinance or the fees incorporated herein for any reason be held to be void or unenforceable, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance. The Board of Commissioners hereby declares that each fee adopted hereby is severable and that the Board of Commissioners would have adopted this Ordinance and each fee incorporated herein irrespective of the fact that any one or more of such provisions or fees be declared void or unenforceable.


Section 3: Maintenance of Ordinance

A copy of this Ordinance together with all fees incorporated herein shall be maintained at the Administrative Offices of the District for inspection and use by interested persons, and published on a website maintained by the District.

Section 4: Effective Date

This Ordinance and the fees incorporated herein shall be effective on October 1, 2025.

Passed and Approved the 14th day of August, 2025.



Reed Boyd
President
Travis County Emergency Services District 5

EXHIBIT A – FEE SCHEDULE



Travis County ESD 5 / Manchaca Fire Rescue Fee Schedule

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SITE & BUILDING REVIEW (FIRE FINAL INCLUDED)		
Site Plan (including Mobile Food Preparation Vehicle / Food truck sites)	\$150.00 ¹	Per phase
Building Plan – New	\$250.00 ¹	Or .015 per sq. ft., whichever is greater ¹
Building Plan – Remodel (If >51% of total sq. ft. of building see New Building Plan Fee above)	\$200.00 ¹	Or .015 per sq. ft., whichever is greater ¹
Building Plan – Shell ²	\$200.00 ¹	Or .015 per sq. ft., whichever is greater ¹
Re-Review	\$80.00 ¹	Third and subsequent reviews
FIRE FINAL RE-INSPECTIONS		
2nd Re-Inspection	\$150.00	
3rd Re-Inspection	\$200.00	
4th Re-Inspection	\$300.00	
Courtesy Onsite Consult	\$0.00	Limit 2 per project – \$50.00 for each additional
AUTOMATIC FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEMS – REVIEW & INSPECTION/TESTING		
Systems up to 30 heads (Review and Inspection)	\$150.00 ¹	Up to 30 heads – if over 30 heads see Large Systems
Large Systems Review <12,000 sq. ft. and Inspection – (Finals included, partials see below)	\$250.00 ¹	Add .01 per sq. ft. over 12,000 +\$3 per head over >30
Partial Visual Inspection / Sprinkler System Re-Inspections	\$125.00	
Sprinkler Hydrostatic Test – Above Ground	\$150.00	Per system riser as defined in NFPA 13
Underground Fire Line Visual/Hydrostatic Test Per Line	\$300.00	Included up to 2 partials – \$50.00 per visual after
Single Family Residential Sprinkler (Review, Visual, Hydro and Final) Inspections	\$250.00	
Standpipe – Review	\$100.00 ¹	Per standpipe zone
Standpipe – Inspection and Re-Inspection Fee	\$350.00	Per standpipe zone (includes cost of apparatus)
FIRE ALARM SYSTEM – REVIEW & INSPECTION/TESTING – ALL FIRE ALARM RELATED RE-INSPECTIONS \$100.00		
0-21 Devices	\$150.00 ¹	
21-100 Devices	\$200.00 ¹	Add \$1.00 per device over 100
Emergency Responder Radio Coverage System	\$250.00 ¹	
Emergency Call Box	\$150.00	
Access Control System Permit	\$150.00	
ALTERNATIVE FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEMS		
Kitchen Vent Hood, Spray Booths, Dry/Wet Chemical, etc. (Review & Test)	\$250.00 ¹	Re-Inspection \$100.00
OTHER REVIEWS, INSPECTIONS, TESTS, CONSTRUCTION PERMITS		
All other construction permits (Compressed gases, ERCCS, etc.)	\$200.00 ¹	Permits listed in 105.6
Daycare/Private School Inspection > 25 children	\$150.00	< 25 children \$100
Fire Pump Acceptance Test	\$175.00	Re-Inspection Fee \$150.00
Static Water Tank Review and Inspection/Testing	\$250.00 ¹	\$350.00-Reinspection
Health Care Facility Annual Licensing Inspection (Hospital, Clinic, Assisted Living)	\$100.00	+\$1.00 per bed – Re-Inspection Fee \$150.00
Home Inspection (Foster & Adoption)	\$30.00	
Structure Ignition Zone Evaluation (SIZE)	FREE	
Retail Fireworks Stand Permit / Inspection (Travis Co. Fire Marshal's Office)		Contact 512-854-4621
OPERATIONAL PERMITS		
Hazardous Materials	\$300.00 ¹	
All other operational permits (Gates, tenant occupancy, fuel tanks, etc.)	\$100.00 ¹	Permits listed in 105.5
Temporary Membrane Structures, Tents, Canopies	\$100.00	Per tent – Re-Inspection Fee \$75.00
Open Burning / Knox-keyed products	FREE	ALTHOUGH FREE, A PERMIT IS REQUIRED
Fireworks Display (1.3G/1.4G) / Flame Effects Permit / Inspection (Travis Co. Fire Marshal's Office)		Contact 512-854-4621
OTHER SERVICES / FEES		
MFR Fire Prevention Staff (per person)	\$125.00	Per hr. (Fire Watch, Mass Gathering – minimum 2 hrs.)
MFR Fire Apparatus requested (Fire Watch, Mass Gathering) / UTV Fire Standby	\$150.00	Per hr./per apparatus
Mobile Food Preparation Vehicles (Permitting/Inspection), does not include site inspection		Contact Austin Public Health 512-978-0300

¹ Admin Fees shown are in addition to 3rd Party Plan Review Fees

² All tenant finish-out construction permits are charged the Remodel rate if a Shell permit was previously issued. Tenant occupancy operational permits not incl.