Ordinance No. 3517

(Amending or Repealing Ordinances)

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Passed 7/5/2000
Public Works Improvement Plan Approval and Inspection Fees
(Amending Sec. 6.03.010)

Amends Ords. 3085, 3490
Readopted, re-enacted, ratified and confirm rates & fees by Ord. 3534
Amended by 3713;4019
ORDINANCE NO. 3517

AN ORDINANCE of the City Council of the City of Kent, Washington, amending Section 6.03.010 of the Kent City relating to public works improvement plan approval and inspection fees as they apply to certain public improvements constructed by public agencies.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENT, WASHINGTON, DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Section 6.03.010 of the Kent City Code is hereby amended as follows:

Sec. 6.03.010. Fees designated.

A. The public works department shall be responsible for the plan review, plan approval, inspection and acceptance of all construction within any public easement or right-of-way and all public works improvements, such as streets, sidewalks and walkways, street lighting systems, storm drainage systems (public and private) and utilities, and shall make a charge therefore to the developer. As used in this section, the term, "developer," shall not apply to public works improvements constructed by another agency of the state, including counties, other cities, or special purpose districts. The charge shall be six (6) percent of the estimated construction cost of said improvements; however, in consideration of the mutual benefits received when another agency of the state (including, without limitation, counties, other cities or
special purpose districts) seeks to construct public improvements not intended for conveyance to the City but that will provide a regional benefit, the public works department may, by written agreement, reduce the charge to an amount less than six (6) percent. In all cases, the minimum fee shall be no less than five hundred dollars ($500). The developer will be required to submit separate cost estimates for each item of improvement. These will be checked by the public works department for accuracy. Alternatively, the developer may, at its option, hire an outside consultant to conduct plan review for the city, subject to the city’s prior written approval of the selected consultant. If the developer hires an outside consultant for plan review, the fee established herein will be reduced from six (6) percent to four (4) percent. Monies derived from the above charges shall be deposited to the general fund of the city. A nonrefundable deposit of fifty (50) percent of the total fee is due and payable prior to starting the review with balance due and payable prior to the approval of the construction plans.

B. Two (2) re-reviews of the construction plans are included in the above-noted fee. Any additional re-reviews which are attributed to the developer’s action or inaction shall be charged at a rate of fifty dollars ($50) per hour.

SECTION 2. Kent City Code Section 6.03.010, which is amended by this ordinance, shall remain in full force and effect until the effective date of this ordinance.

SECTION 3. Severability. If any one or more sections, subsections, or sentences of this Ordinance are held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this Ordinance and the same shall remain in full force and effect.
SECTION 4. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty (30) days from and after its passage, as provided by law.

JIM WHITE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

BRENDA JACOBER, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ROGER LUBOVICH, CITY ATTORNEY

APPROVED: 5 day of July, 2000.

I hereby certify that this is a true copy of Ordinance No. 3517 passed by the City Council of the City of Kent, Washington, and approved by the Mayor of the City of Kent as hereon indicated.

BRENDA JACOBER (SEAL)
BRENDA JACOBER, CITY CLERK