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To: INTERESTED PARTIES

**From: CHRIS HUNTINGTON, MANAGER
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Subject: CITY OF CORVALLIS PROPOSED FEE ADOPTION

The State Building Codes Division (division) has received the enclosed notice of intent to adopt building inspection program fees from the above listed municipality. Pursuant to Oregon Administrative Rule 918-020-0220, municipalities seeking to adopt fees are required to provide the following summary information 45 days prior to the proposed adoptive date.

- (A) The affected specialty code or program areas;
- (B) A description of the proposed building inspection program fees including the approximate percentage change when applicable;
- (C) The proposed effective date;
- (D) The date of the last fee increase in the specialty code or program area if applicable;
- (E) The anticipated date, time and location of the local municipal hearing scheduled pursuant to Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 294.160;
- (F) The name, phone number, and title of a contact person; and
- (G) A narrative explaining the purpose of the proposed fee adoption.

The division is required to notify interested parties after receiving a notice of intent to adopt building inspection program fees from a municipality. Enclosed is the information the municipality provided to the division pursuant to the above administrative rule requirements.

If you have concerns about this proposed fee change, you may contact the municipality directly by contacting Development Services Manager, Dan Carlson at (541) 766-6929, or attend the local municipal hearings: October 20, 2010 in the City of Corvallis Madison Meeting Room, 501 SW Madison Ave., at 3:30 p.m. and November 15, 2010 in the City of Corvallis Main Fire Station, 400 NW Harrison Blvd., at 12:00 p.m. If you still have unresolved concerns, you may, pursuant to ORS 455.210(3) and 479.845, appeal this fee adoption by sending a written request to the division within 60 days of the municipality's letter of notice to the division.

cc: CITY OF CORVALLIS



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RE: Notification of Building Permit Fee Change for City of Corvallis

In accordance with OAR 918-020-0220, the City of Corvallis, Development Services Division, is providing notification to the Oregon State Building Codes Division of intent to adjust permit fees. This section provides several criteria that must be included in this notification. Please see the list below for the criteria and explanation:

918-020-0220 Fee Adoption Standards

(1)(a) The municipality shall notify the division of such adoptions 45 days prior to the adoptive date. The notification shall include a summary of the following:

(A) The affected specialty code or program areas;

The structural specialty code area is being adjusted to add a Service Enhancement Review Fee.

In addition, while not required to provide notice because of a waiver by BCD or due to fee neutrality, or fee reduction, several fees will be reduced, eliminated, or modified to reduce confusion with lingering impacts of implementing the consistent form and fee methodology rules found in OAR 918-050. This change will apply to residential and commercial building, mechanical, plumbing, and electrical programs.

(B) A description of the proposed building inspection program fees including the approximate percentage increase when applicable;

The proposal establishes a new Service Enhancement Review Fee (SERF) that will be applied whenever a building plan review is conducted. This is to pay for enhanced services requested by stakeholders. The fee adjustment varies and will be phased in over a three year period. The following dates correspond to effective dates and rate of adjustment:

January 1, 2011, SERF will equal 20% of the building plan review
January 1, 2012, SERF will equal 40% of the building plan review
January 1, 2013, SERF will max at 67% of the building plan review

(C) The proposed effective date;

The proposed effective dates are noted above.

(D) The date of the last fee increase in the specialty code or program area if applicable;

The date of the last fee adjustment in each specialty was January 1, 2009 due to the consistent fee methodology rules. Some fees were increased, while others decreased.

(E) The anticipated date, time and location of the local municipal hearing scheduled pursuant to ORS 294.160;

There are two opportunities for public comment:

- 1) Administrative Services Committee Meeting on October 20, 2010, at the City of Corvallis Madison Meeting Room, 501 SW Madison Ave, 3:30 PM
- 2) Corvallis City Council Meeting on November 15, 2010, at the City of Corvallis Main Fire Station, 400 NW Harrison Blvd, 12:00 PM.

Public notice will be provided in accordance with ORS 294.160.

Side Note: Outreach is underway to local stakeholder groups including the Corvallis City Council, OSU Facilities Group, Development Services Stakeholder Advisory Group, Willamette Valley Home Builders Association and the Corvallis/Benton Chamber.

(F) The name, phone number and title of a contact person; and

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(G) A narrative explaining the purpose of the proposed fee adoption.

The purpose of the proposed new Service Enhancement Review Fee is to provide a funding basis for the service enhancement package that has been recommended for adoption by the Development Services Stakeholder Advisory Group.

In addition, although notice has been waived, a solar installation fee is being added for recovering cost of providing services relating to administering the Oregon Solar Installation Specialty Code.

The purpose of the other proposed adjustments for fees, which are revenue neutral or revenue reduced, are to simplify the current fee structure in aligning with the State mandated fee methodologies required by OAR 918-050.

Questions or comments relating to this notification of proposed fee adjustment should be directed as noted above. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'DK', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Dan Carlson
Development Services Manger