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INDUSTRY UPDATE

Building Department

Updates to Development Charges 2025

On November 1st, 2025, the Development Charges underwent a fee increase as approved by City Council during budget approval earlier this year.

In addition to this, the Provincial Government enacted Bill 17 with regard to non-rental residential projects and the ability to defer development charges. This process will include splitting building permit fees from Development Charges into two invoices. The first invoice, including all building permit fees, will be payable prior to permit issuance. The second invoice, including Development Charges, will be made available prior to occupancy. Occupancy will not be granted until both invoices have been paid.

Residential rental projects that would have previously qualified for frozen/deferred rates are still entitled to a specialized rate and payment plan without accruing interest.

Further information relating to Building Department Fees can be found on the City's website through the following link:
<https://www.citywindsor.ca/residents/building/Building-Permits/Pages/Fee-Schedules.aspx>

For your convenience, attached is a copy of the 2025/2026 Development Charges pamphlet, as well as an FAQ regarding these new procedures.

Please contact our Building Department Staff for inquiries relating to these new changes and increases to the fees.

Visit us at:

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519-255-6267, when prompted select option 1 (one) to access to the Building Department Service Area extensions.

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Thank you for your continued assistance and cooperation.

Sincerely,



John Revell, Chief Building Official (CBO)