ORDINANCE NO. 2023	- 01
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AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 2016-15 OF THE CITY OF PHENIX CITY, ALABAMA RELATING TO PERMIT FEES.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Phenix City, Alabama that the Ordinance relating to Permit Fees is hereby amended as follows:

SECTION 1: PERMIT FEES

BUILDING PERMIT FEES

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Total Valuation	Fees
\$1,000 and less	No fee, unless inspection required, in which case a \$25.00 fee for each inspection shall be charged.
\$1,000 to \$50,000	\$6.00 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof, to and including \$50,000.00
\$50,000 to \$100,000	\$320.00 for the first \$50,000.00 plus \$5.00 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof, to and including \$100,000.00
\$100,000 to \$1,000,000	\$570.00 for the first \$100,000.00 plus \$4.00 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof, to and including \$1,000,000.00
\$1,000,000 and up	\$4170.00 for the first \$1,000,000.00 plus \$3.00 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof.

Construction Industry Craft Training Fees

As required per Act 2015-308 of the Alabama Legislature, there shall be a fee of \$1.00 for every one thousand dollars for the issuance of non-residential construction building permits effective October 1, 2016.

MOVING FEE

For the moving of any building or structure, the fee shall be \$100.00.

DEMOLITION FEE

For the demolition of any building or structure, the fee shall be \$75.00.

SWIMMING POOL

Based on Valuation.

PLAN CHECKING FEE

When the valuation of the proposed construction exceeds \$1,000.00 and a plan is required to be submitted a plan-checking fee shall be paid to the building official at the time of submitting plans and specifications for checking. Said plan-checking fee shall be equal to one-half of the building permit fee. Such plan-checking fee is in addition to the building permit fee.

BUILDING PERMIT VALUATION

The Building Official shall use the "Square Foot Building Valuation Data", updated periodically by the International Code Council, Incorporated, to determine permit valuations. Other cost based methods may be used as necessary to determine valuation.

The valuation of a 1 & 2 family dwellings shall be calculated, per every square foot of floor area, based on a value equal to 50% of the current ICC Building Valuation Data for residential wood frame construction.

The valuation of a commercial structure shall be calculated based on the "Square Foot Construction Costs" per ICC Building Valuation Data.

ELECTRICAL PERMIT FEES

1. Issuance Fee	\$ 15.00
2. Temp Pole	\$10.00
3. Test Power	\$10.00
4. Additional Wiring	\$15.00
5. Lighted Signs	\$10.00
6. Main Service:	
1. 200 amps or less	\$15.00
2. 201-400 amps	\$20.00
3. 401-600 amps	\$25.00
4. 601-800 amps	\$45.00
5. 801-1000 amps	\$55.00
6. 1001 amps and above	\$75.00

(plus \$1.00 for each additional hundred or fraction thereof)

7. Motors: Fractional to 5 h.p. \$15.00

Greater than 5 h.p. \$15.00 + \$1.00 per h.p.

GAS PERMIT FEES

1. For issuing each permit: \$15.00

2. The total fees for inspection of consumers gas piping at one location including both rough and final inspection 1-4 outlets: (each additional)

\$10.00 \$1.00

3. The fees for inspecting conversion burners, floor furnaces, incinerators, boilers, or central heating or air conditioning units: (each additional)

\$ 5.00 \$ 1.00

4. The fee for inspecting vented wall furnaces and water heaters: \$2.50

MECHANICAL PERMIT FEES

MECHANICAL WORK, OTHER THAN GAS PIPING SYSTEMS:

Initial Fee

1. For issuing permit:

\$15.00

Additional Fees:

2. Fee for inspecting heating, ventilating, ductwork, air conditioning and refrigeration systems shall be \$10.00 for the first \$1,000.00, or fraction thereof, of valuation of the installation plus \$3.00 for each additional \$1,000.00 or fraction thereof.

Fee for inspecting repairs, alterations and additions to an existing system shall be \$5.00 plus \$3.00 for each \$1,000.00 or fraction thereof.

3. Fee for inspecting boilers (based upon BTU)

33,000 Btu (1BHp) to 165,000 (5 BHp)	\$ 5.00
165,001 Btu (5BHp) to 330,000 (10 BHp)	\$10.00
330,001 Btu (10 BHp) to 1,165,000 (52 BHp)	\$15.00
1,165,001 Btu (52 BHp) to 3,300,000 (98 BHp)	\$25.00
Over 3,300,000 Btu	\$35.00

4. Self-Contained Units Less Than Two Tons:

In all buildings, except one and two family dwellings, where self-contained air conditioning units of less than two tons are to be installed, the fee charged shall be that for the total cost of all units combined.

PLUMBING PERMIT FEES

For issuing each permit:	\$15.00		
For each Plumbing Fixture, Floor drain or Trap (Including Water and Drainage Piping)	\$3.00		
For each House/Bldg. Sewer	\$10.00		
For each House Sewer having to be replaced or repaired	\$10.00		
For each cesspool (where permitted)	\$10.00		
For each septic tank, seepage pit or drain field	\$10.00		
For each water heater and/or vent	\$3.00		
For installation, alteration or repair of water piping and/or water treating equipment	\$10.00		
For repair or alteration of drainage or vent pipe	\$5.00		
10. For vacuum breakers or backflow protective devices installed subsequent to installation Of the piping or equipment served One to five Over five \$3.00 \$1.50			
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CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY

For the issuing a Certificate of Occupancy:

\$25.00

RE-INSPECTION FEES

A contractor or individual will be allowed one (1) inspection and one (1) re-inspection of the same phase of work under the permit issued. The third (3rd) inspection of the same phase or stage of work shall be Thirty-five dollars (\$35). All additional inspections for the same phase or stage of work shall be One hundred dollars (\$100). If an inspection is requested and access is not available a re-inspection fee will be charged. Failure to cancel a scheduled inspection when the project is not ready for inspection constitutes an inspection.

REFUNDS

The building official shall authorize the refunding of fees as follows:

The full amount of any fee paid hereunder that was erroneously paid or collected shall be refunded.

If no inspections were performed, the full amount of any building permit fee paid less a twenty-five (\$25) dollar administrative fee, shall be refunded.

The Building Official shall not authorize the refunding of any fee paid, except upon written request filed no later than 60 days after the date of payment.

SECTION 2: Where work for which a permit is required by the codes is started or proceeded prior to obtaining said permit, the fees herein specified shall be doubled, but the payment of such double fee shall not relieve any persons from fully complying with the requirements of the code in the execution of the work nor from any other penalties prescribed herein.

- a. A copy of the permit must be posted at the approved location of work.
- **b.** Any and all fees shall be paid by the person to whom the permit is issued.

SECTION 3: BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after March 1, 2023.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 4th day of January, 2023.

MAYOR

MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHENIX CITY, ALABAMA

ATTEST: