



AGENDA ITEM: Residential Permit Fees
SUBMITTED BY: Shawn Cox, City Administrator
DATE SUBMITTED: June 3, 2019
MEETING DATE: June 6, 2019

AGENDA FORM

ITEM DESCRIPTION/SUMMARY

On May 21, 2019 the Governor signed into law H.B. No. 852, which prohibits municipalities from utilizing the value of a dwelling or the costs to construct or improve a dwelling when determining a permit fee. This law became effective when signed by the Governor and did not provide for any grace period.

Currently, the City of Wimberley, like many other cities, bases their permit fee off the proposed cost to construct or improve a dwelling. Based on the passing of H.B. NO. 852, we are no longer allowed to establish residential permits fees this way.

An alternative to using construction value to determine permit fees is to use square footage.

For consideration is the approval of the following fee schedule for residential permits. These fees were developed for the City of Brownsville with input from our City Attorney.

The base fee shall be \$40.00, plus:

- Between 1 and 1,450 square feet ... \$0.25 cents
- Between 1,451 and 3,010 square feet ... \$0.27 cents
- 3,011 square feet and up ... \$0.30 cents

The adoption of these fees will allow the City to continue issuing permits. Working with the Building Official, the City will continue to evaluate its fee structure to make any necessary amendment during the budget process.

REQUESTED ACTION

- Motion
- Discussion
- Ordinance
- Resolution
- Other

FINANCIAL

Budgeted Item	<input type="checkbox"/>	Original Estimate/Budget:	\$
Non-budgeted Item	<input type="checkbox"/>	Current Estimate:	\$
Not Applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Amount Under/Over Budget:	\$

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

- H.B No. 852