



City of Santa Cruz
Planning & Community Development Department
July 2022 – December 2022 Fee Schedule¹

APPLICATION/ FEE TYPE	FEE AMOUNT
Hourly Billing Rate – Planning	\$150
Hourly Billing Rate – Building	\$130
Application Intake:	
▪ Public Hearing Cases	\$260
▪ Non-Public Hearing Cases	\$152
Document Fee	
▪ Public Hearing Cases	\$212
▪ Non-Public Hearing Cases	\$113
Public Notice	\$297
Technology Surcharge ¹¹	5%
Duplication	\$.10 per page
Permit Applications	
Abandonment	\$6,196
Address	\$150/hour
Annexation	\$6,707
Appeals	\$699
Boundary Adjustment	\$1,627
Cannabis License Fee	\$1,804
Certificate of Compliance	\$1,771
Coastal Permit	\$1,811
Coastal Permit Exclusion	\$145
Conditional Driveway Permit	\$1,869
Conditional Fence Permit:	
▪ No Public Hearing	\$1,716
▪ Public Hearing	\$2,245
Condition/Mitigation Monitoring:	
▪ Minor	\$500
▪ Major	\$6,222
Residential Demolition Permit	\$1,780
Commercial Demolition Permit	\$1,780
Design Permits:	
▪ Large House/Substandard Lot (Public Hearing)	\$3,204
▪ Remodel/Site Alteration (No Public Hearing)	\$1,811
▪ New nonresidential/residential	\$445
Police Review Fee	\$365
Development Agreements ²	\$5,297
Development Agreement – Annual Review	\$1,181
Extension Area Revocable	\$3,102
Final Map Amendment	\$3,042
Final Subdivision Map	\$1,401
Fire Review Fee	\$120
General Plan/Zoning Map Amendment ²	\$6,222
General Plan Maintenance Fee (Non-ADU)	1.22%, \$250,000 Maximum
General Plan Maintenance Fee (ADU)	0.61%, \$250,000 Maximum
Historic Alteration Permit	\$402

¹ Effective January 1, 2022 per NS-29,798

² This application may require the use of expert outside analysis. Any such consultant costs and/or additional staff time shall be charged to, and recovered from, the applicant.



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Historic Building Survey Deletion	\$5,360
Historic Building Survey Addition	\$5,508
Local Coastal Plan Amendment ²	\$3,974
Modification to Approved Plans:	
▪ Minor	\$1,811
▪ Major	\$3,052
Occupancy Permit:	
▪ New Business/Change of Use	\$297
▪ Home Occupation	\$150
▪ New Occupancy, Same Use	\$76
Plan Check – Planning	\$349 +3.49 per \$1000 valuation (charged at Building Permit)
Planned Development ²	\$8,711
Pre-Application Review ³	\$3,495
Pre-Application Review (Planning Only)	\$719
Reconstruction Permit	\$3,204
Relocation of Structure Permit	\$2,598
Residential Short-Term Rental Permit	\$298
Revised Project Fee ⁴	\$5,583
Sign Permit	\$364
Slope Modification:	
▪ Minor	\$1,023
▪ Major	\$3,337
Special Report Fee ²	\$719
Specific Plan ²	\$6,622
Sphere of Influence	\$6,622
Subdivision (Includes Condo Conversions):	
▪ 4 Lots or Less	\$8,918
▪ 5 Lots or More	\$17,903
▪ Plus per lot	\$445
Time Extension	\$1,980
Use Permit: ²	
▪ Administrative Use	\$2,598
▪ Special Use	\$3,564
▪ Temp., Seasonal, Non-Profit	\$1,980
Variance	\$3,204
Watercourse Development Permit	\$828
Watercourse Variance	\$3,269
Environmental Review	
Archaeological Review	\$76
Biotic Review	\$150
Arborist Review	\$636
Categorical Exemption	\$145
EIR Review	25% of consultant's contract
Negative Declaration/Initial Study ²	\$5,224
Statutory Exemption	\$5,578

³ Up to \$1,000 of this fee may be deducted from the application fee upon submittal within one year of completed review.

⁴Revised Project Deposit Fee to be in an amount up to the cost of a new entitlement application. Any unused funds will be returned at completion of application



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Rental Inspection Program⁵	
Annual Registration Fee	\$56
Annual Self-Certification Fee	20% of the units at \$25 per unit
Annual Inspection Fee	\$25
Re-inspection Fee	\$130

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Code Compliance	
Non Compliance Assessment ⁶	\$177
Appeal ⁷	\$519 (Resolution No. NS-28,167)
Administrative Hearing ⁷	\$519
Attorneys Fee ⁸	Actual Cost
Citation Appeal Fee ⁷	\$50-\$300 (Section 4.14; Resolution No. NS-28,167)
Code Plan Check of Building and Planning Permits	\$109
Expungement/Release of Notice of Violation	\$141
Initial Inspection/Notice of Violation	\$218
Inspection Warrant	\$447
Notice of Administrative Abatement ⁹	\$338 + Actual Cost of Abatement
Notice of Civil Penalty	\$170 + Daily Amount of Civil Penalties Per Violation (up to \$2,500 per day/per violation)
Notice of Civil Penalty Appeal Fee ⁷	\$519 (Resolution No. NS-28,167)
Administrative Abatement Appeal Fee ⁷	\$519 (Resolution No. NS-28,167)
Posting – Dangerous Building	\$161
Posting – Stop Work Order	\$161
Posting – Vacate Order and Tenant Relocation (if applicable)	\$307
Recordation of Notice of Violation	\$141
Re-inspection(s) (per inspection) ¹⁰	\$75-\$250

⁵Penalties for late registration/annual renewals start at 20% of the original fee (if one month delinquent) and are assessed an additional 10% each month the license is delinquent (up to 50% maximum).

⁶Can be waived based on continued progress.

⁷Can be waived or returned via hearing officer.

⁸Rate per most current city contract for legal services.

⁹Vendor used for abatement services.

¹⁰Range based on the number of staff required coupled with the type and number of violations.

¹¹ Applied to all fees/charges (including building) except any project with total fees/charges less than \$100, duplication, impact fees, inclusionary housing in-lieu fees, and General Plan Maintenance Fee.



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Building Permit Application Fees	
Green Building Program Management ¹²	1% the overall project valuation, \$50,000 Maximum
Electrical	
For the issuance of each electrical permit	\$53.50
	\$25.00 for the issuance of each supplemental permit for which the original permit has not expired, been canceled, or finalized.
Plumbing	
For issuance of each plumbing permit	\$53.50
	\$25.00 for the issuance of each supplemental permit for which the original permit has not expired, been canceled, or finalized.
Mechanical	
For issuance of each mechanical permit	\$53.50
	\$25.00 for the issuance of each supplemental permit for which the original permit has not expired, been canceled, or finalized.
Grading Plan Reviews	
50 to 100 cubic yards	\$53.50
1,001 to 10,000 cubic yards	\$80.25
10,001 to 100,000 cubic yards	\$107 for the first 10,000 cubic yards plus \$24.50 for each additional \$10,000 cubic yards or fraction thereof.
100,001 to 200,000 cubic yards	\$327.50 for the first 100,000 cubic yards plus \$13.25 for each additional 10,000 cubic yards or fraction thereof.
200,001 cubic yards or more	\$446.75 for the first 200,000 cubic yards plus \$7.25 for each additional 10,000 cubic yards or fraction thereof.
Grading Permit Fees	
50 to 100 cubic yards	\$53.50
101 to 1,000 cubic yards	\$53.50 for the first 100 cubic yards plus \$17.25 for each additional 100 cubic yards or fraction thereof.
1,001 to 10,000 cubic yards	\$208.75 for the first 1,000 cubic yards plus \$14.50 for each additional 1,000 cubic yards or fraction thereof.
10,001 to 100,000 cubic yards	\$339.25 for the first 10,000 cubic yards plus \$66.00 for each additional 10,000 cubic yards or fraction thereof.
100,001 cubic yards or more	\$933.25 for the first 100,000 cubic yards plus \$36.50 for each additional 10,000 cubic yards or fraction thereof.
Inspection and Plan Check Fees	
Inspection outside of normal business hours, Per hour (Minimum charge – one hour)	\$130
Reinspection fees assessed under the provisions of Section 305.8 (UAC)	\$130
Inspections for which no fee is specifically indicated, per hour (Minimum charge – one hour)	\$130
Additional plan review required by changes, additions on revision to plans or to plans for which an initial review has been completed. (Minimum charge – one hour).	\$130

¹² Green Building Fund created on 10/25/2005 per Ordinance 2005-29 and updated on April 26, 2022 per Ordinance 2022-04. Cap set by Resolution NS-27,559 on 6/26/2006, and fee updated by Resolution NS-29, 962 on April 12, 2022. Annual Consumer Price Index increases do not apply to the fee.



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OTHER DEVELOPMENT FEES	PER DWELLING UNIT MAX	PER SQ.FT
Childcare Impact Fee		
Single-Family Residential	\$339	\$0.56
Multi-Family Residential	-	\$0.42
Retail	-	\$1.53
Office	-	\$1.78
Industrial	-	\$0.71
Hotel	-	\$0.54
Public Safety Impact Fee: Fire		
Single-Family Residential	\$841	\$0.530
Multi-Family Residential	\$627	\$0.900
Retail	-	\$0.509
Office	-	\$0.594
Industrial	-	\$0.237
Hotel	-	\$0.178
Public Safety Impact Fee: Police		
Single-Family Residential	\$852	\$0.530
Multi-Family Residential	\$635	\$0.910
Retail	-	\$0.516
Office	-	\$0.601
Industrial	-	\$0.241
Hotel	-	\$0.180

Note:

- Impact Fee Rates include a 2% Administrative Fee.
- See Resolutions NS29, 812 and NS29, 813 for three year gradual increases. Fees are also increased annually by CPI every January.
- As of 7/1/23, Childcare per dwelling unit (bedroom) max for single family residential should be used for any projects with a bedroom(s) greater than 614 square feet.
- As of 7/1/23, Public Safety dwelling unit max for single family residential should be used for any projects with new or expanded livable space greater than 1,597 sq. ft.; and for any multi-family dwelling (new or expansions) that exceed 695 sq. ft.