

**CITY OF FREEPORT
STEPHENSON COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-31

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1442 (PERMITS AND FEES) OF THE
CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF FREEPORT, ILLINOIS**

**ADOPTED BY THE
CITY COUNCIL
OF THE
CITY OF FREEPORT, ILLINOIS**

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FREEPORT, ILLINOIS as follows:

Section 1. That the following Sections of Chapter 1442 (entitled "PERMITS AND FEES") of *The Codified Ordinances of the City of Freeport* shall be revised so that such Sub-Sections, Sections and Chapter shall read as follows:

"1442.13 BUILDING PERMIT AND FIRE PREVENTION PLAN REVIEW FEES.

- (a) **In General.** Fire Prevention Bureau plan review fees and building permit fees for general construction, electrical, mechanical and plumbing shall be paid at the time of issuance of a building permit. The permit shall not be issued unless the total fee is paid at the time of issuance.
 - (b) **Building Permit Fees.** The building permit rate fee for residential, commercial or manufacturing new construction or remodeling shall be ten dollars (\$10.00) per one thousand dollars (\$1,000) of the construction cost incurred by the applicant. No additional permit fee shall be charged for plumbing, electrical, mechanical, boiler, deck or fence permits when a building permit is issued.
 - (c) **Demolition Permit Fees.** The demolition permit fee shall be twenty five dollars (\$25.00) and no fee shall be charged for residential garage demolition.
 - (d) **Deck and Fence Permit Fees.** The permit fee for construction of a deck or fence shall be thirty dollars (\$30.00).
 - (e) **Plan Approval Fees.** No permit for any building or structure, other than for any single-family or two-family residence, shall be issued until the plans and specifications therefor have been submitted to and approved by the Building Commissioner and the Bureau of Fire Prevention of the Fire Department of the City. Plan review fees shall be charged according to the following schedule of fees: Six cents (\$0.06) per square footage of construction, with a minimum fee of one hundred dollars (\$100.00).
 - (f) **Disposition of Fees.** The City Treasurer shall deposit money earned from the imposition of the fees provided for in this section as follows:
 - (1) **Plan review fees:** Fifty percent into the Fire Department Capital Fund; and fifty percent into the Corporate Fund for Community Development Department purposes.
 - (2) **Building permit fees:** Ninety-five percent into the Corporate Fund; and Five percent into the Fire Department Capital Fund.
- ~~(b) **Building Permit Fees.** The fees to be charged for building permits shall be based on the following schedule, provided that the minimum permit fee shall be twenty dollars (\$20.00):~~
- ~~(1) **Commercial, retail and office construction or remodeling shall have a construction cost rate of eighty four dollars (\$84.00) per square foot, or a verifiable bid**~~

~~cost that is shown at the time of application for the permit. The permit fee rate shall be eight dollars (\$8.00) per one thousand dollars (\$1,000) of the building value. No additional permit fee shall be charged for plumbing, electrical and mechanical permits and inspections when a building permit is issued.~~

~~(2) Manufacturing construction or manufacturing remodeling shall have a construction cost of sixty dollars (\$60.00) per square foot or a verifiable bid cost that is shown at the time of application for the permit. The permit fee rate shall be eight dollars (\$8.00) per one thousand dollars (\$1,000) of the building value. No additional permit fee shall be charged for plumbing, electrical and mechanical permits and inspections when a building permit is issued.~~

~~(3) The building permit fee for new residential construction or residential remodeling shall be at the rate of twenty eight cents (28¢) per square foot of living space, plus twenty seven dollars (\$27.00) for a single stall garage and an additional twelve dollars (\$12.00) per additional stall. No additional permit fee shall be charged for plumbing, electrical and mechanical permits and inspections when a building permit is issued.~~

~~(4) Demolition fees shall be twenty seven dollars (\$27.00). No fee shall be charged for residential garages.~~

~~(c) Plan Approval Fees. No permit for any building or structure, other than for any single-family or two-family residence, shall be issued until the plans and specifications therefor have been submitted to and approved by the Building Commissioner and the Bureau of Fire Prevention of the Fire Department of the City.~~

~~Plan review fees shall be charged according to the following schedule of fees: Five cents (\$0.05) per square footage of construction, with a minimum fee of one hundred dollars (\$100.00). An additional fee of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) shall be charged for plan review of any building which includes a sprinkler system.~~

~~(d) Disposition of Fees; Annual Increases. The City Treasurer shall deposit money earned from the imposition of the fees provided for in this section as follows:~~

~~(1) Plan review fees:~~

~~Fifty percent into the Fire Department Capital Fund; and fifty percent into the Corporate Fund for Community Development Department purposes.~~

~~(2) Building permit fees:~~

~~Ninety five percent into the Corporate Fund; and~~

~~Five percent into the Fire Department Capital Fund.~~

~~On May 1 of each year, the fees imposed in this section shall be increased by seven percent. The City Clerk shall keep a record of the fees currently in force as established by this section.~~

1442.14 PLUMBING PERMIT FEES. Fees for individual plumbing jobs requiring no building permits shall be billed at the following rates.

(a) Water and/or sewer service install - \$50.00

(b) Installation of a fixture requiring a water line - \$30.00

~~Fees for individual plumbing jobs requiring no building permits shall be billed at the following rates. These rates shall be increased by seven percent on May 1 of each year. The minimum permit fee shall be twenty dollars (\$20.00).~~

~~— (a) For each application for a permit to install, alter or replace any fixture or fixtures, the charges shall be eight dollars (\$8.00). The word "fixture" includes all openings left for waste pipes, whether fixtures are set or not. The word "fixture" also includes a water heater, whether gas, electric, oil or coal, dishwasher, clothes washer, garbage disposal, incinerator, clothes dryer, air conditioner, water cooled refrigeration, compressor or any other fixture or appliance requiring water supply for waste connection.~~

~~— (b) Fees for the installation of water and sewer service shall be as follows:~~

~~— House sewer \$35.00~~

~~— Water service 35.00~~

~~— Combined water and sewer service 50.00~~

1442.15 ELECTRICAL PERMIT FEES. Fees for individual electrical jobs requiring no building permits shall be billed at the following rates.

(a) New service, any amperage - \$40.00

(b) Re-wiring, to include new openings or feeder circuits - \$40.00

~~— Fees for individual electrical jobs requiring no building permits shall be billed at the following rates. These rates shall be increased by seven percent on May 1 of each year. The minimum permit fee shall be twenty dollars (\$20.00).~~

~~(a) Openings~~

~~Up to 20 \$ 20.00~~

~~Each additional opening 1.00~~

~~(b) Service, including 1 meter~~

~~30 to 100 amperes \$50.00~~

~~101 to 200 amperes 60.00~~

~~201 to 400 amperes 75.00~~

~~over 400 amperes 85.00~~

~~(c) Feeder circuits~~

~~20 to 60 amperes \$27.00~~

~~61 to 100 amperes 36.00~~

~~over 100 amperes 47.00~~

~~(d) Permanently located equipment having a total load of less than 1 HP~~

~~or 1 KW 1.60~~

~~(e) Motors of 1 HP or larger:~~

~~First HP 1.60~~

~~Each additional HP .21~~

~~(f) Equipment of 1 KW or larger:~~

~~first KW 2.14~~

~~Each additional KW .21~~

~~(g) Water heater circuit 2.14~~

~~(h) Dryer circuit 2.14~~

~~(i) Washer circuit - clothes or dish 2.14~~

- ~~(j) Softener circuit—2.14~~
- ~~(k) Heating circuit, gas or electric—2.14~~
- ~~(l) Heat pump circuit—2.14~~
- ~~(m) Remote cooling circuit, gas or electric—air conditioners—2.14~~
- ~~(n) Window air conditioner circuit—2.14~~
- ~~(o) Electrical range circuit—2.14~~
- ~~(p) Garbage disposal circuit—2.14~~
- ~~(q) Exhaust or ventilating fan circuit—2.14~~
- ~~(r) Extra meter—10.70~~
- ~~(s) Humidifier—2.14~~
- ~~(t) Electric air cleaner—2.14~~
- ~~(u) Electric heating unit in one or two family dwellings—10.70~~
- ~~(v) Minimum permit fee—5.35~~

1442.16 MECHANICAL PERMIT FEES. Fees for individual mechanical jobs requiring no building permits shall be billed at the following rates.

- (a) New residential furnace and/or air conditioner - \$60.00
- (b) New commercial furnace and/or air conditioner - \$80.00

~~—Fees for individual mechanical jobs requiring no building permits shall be billed at the following rates. These rates shall be increased by seven percent on May 1 of each year. The minimum permit fee shall be twenty dollars (\$20.00).~~

~~—(a) In single or multiple-family residential dwellings of not over four units, fees shall be as follows:~~

~~—(1) For installation of each unit of warm air heating equipment of any type or distribution system:~~

~~— Bonnet or Output Rating (BTU's) Permit Fee~~

~~— To 100,000 \$35.00~~

~~— 100,001 to 135,000 45.00~~

~~— 135,001 to 200,000 (or over) 60.00~~

~~—(2) For conversion burners with a capacity \$19.00 rating to and including 250,000 BTU~~

~~—(3) For installation of air conditioning equipment or distribution system:~~

~~— Manufacturer's Rating (BTU's)~~

~~— To 24,000 \$19.00~~

~~— 24,001 to 30,000 27.00~~

~~— 30,001 to 36,000 30.00~~

~~— 36,001 to 48,000 32.00~~

~~—(b) In any building not included in subsection~~

~~—(a) hereof, fees shall be as follows:~~

~~—(1) For installation of each unit of warm air heating equipment of any type or distribution system:~~

- ~~— Bonnet or Output Rating (BTU's) Permit Fee~~
- ~~— To 100,000 \$27.00~~
- ~~— 100,001 to 135,000 30.00~~
- ~~— 135,001 to 200,000 32.00~~
- ~~— 200,001 and over 40.00~~
- ~~— (2) For conversion burners with a capacity rating as follows:~~
- ~~— To 300,000 BTU \$35.00~~
- ~~— 300,001 to 500,000 48.00~~
- ~~— 500,001 and over 69.00~~
- ~~— (3) For installation of air conditioning equipment and/or distribution system:~~
- ~~— Manufacturer's Rating Tonnage (tons) Permit Fee~~
- ~~— To 5 \$ 40.00~~
- ~~— Over 5 to 7 1/2 51.00~~
- ~~— Over 7 1/2 to 10 55.00~~
- ~~— Over 10 to 15 67.00~~
- ~~— Over 15 to 20 78.00~~
- ~~— Over 20 to 30 104.00~~
- ~~— Over 30 to 40 126.00~~
- ~~— Over 40 to 50 151.00~~
- ~~— Over 50 244.00~~
- ~~— (c) In any building, regardless of its classification, installation fees shall be as follows:~~
- ~~— Electronic air cleaner \$ 12.00~~
- ~~— Power humidifier 12.00~~
- ~~— Each alteration not exceeding \$100.00 valuation 12.00~~
- ~~— Incinerators 12.00~~
- ~~— Vented space heater 16.00~~
- ~~— Electronic damper 12.00~~
- ~~— Wood burning stove 12.00~~
- ~~— Relocating of warm air heating or air conditioning units will require a permit fee, such fee to be the same as the above schedule of permit fees.~~
- ~~— (d) To install or relocate any appliance, the fee shall be twenty dollars (\$20.00).~~

1442.17 BOILER PERMIT FEES. Fees for individual boiler jobs requiring no building permits shall be billed at the following rates.

- (a) New residential boiler - \$60.00
- (b) New commercial boiler - \$80.00

~~— Fees for individual boiler jobs requiring no building permits shall be billed on a BTU basis at the rates shown in Section 1442.16. These rates shall be increased by seven percent on May 1 of each year. The Building Commissioner shall post, in a~~

~~conspicuous location in City Hall, the current rates. The minimum permit fee shall be twenty dollars (\$20.00).~~

Section 2. This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage by the City Council, its approval by the Mayor, and its publication as provided by law.

Section 3. This Ordinance is expressly adopted pursuant to the Home Rule Powers of the City of Freeport under Section 6 of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution of 1970.

Section 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are repealed insofar as they conflict.

Section 5. If any section, clause or provision of this Ordinance be declared by a Court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the Ordinance as a whole or any part thereof, other than the part so declared to be invalid, and this City Council hereby expressly declares that it would have enacted this Ordinance even with the invalid portion deleted.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FREEPORT, ILLINOIS this _____ day of _____, 2017.

Martha Zuravel, City Clerk

YEAS:
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:
PRESENT:

APPROVED by the Mayor of the City of Freeport this _____ day of _____, 2017.

James L. Gitz, Mayor

Date Published:

Date Effective: