



**KING COUNTY**

1200 King County Courthouse  
516 Third Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104

**Signature Report**

**November 20, 2000**

**Ordinance 13996**

**Proposed No.** 2000-0629.2

**Sponsors** Nickels and Miller

1 AN ORDINANCE relating to service and permit fees  
2 assessed by the department of development and  
3 environmental services; correcting fees and technical errors;  
4 providing for a fee increase; amending Ordinance 10662,  
5 Section 46, and K.C.C. 27.02.050, Ordinance 13332,  
6 Section 15, and K.C.C. 27.04.050, Ordinance 13332,  
7 Section 17, and K.C.C. 27.10.020, Ordinance 13332,  
8 Section 18, and K.C.C. 27.10.030, Ordinance 13332,  
9 Section 20, and K.C.C. 27.10.050, Ordinance 13332,  
10 Section 21, and K.C.C. 27.10.060, Ordinance 13332,  
11 Section 25, and K.C.C. 27.10.100, Ordinance 13332,  
12 Section 40, and K.C.C. 27.10.320, Ordinance 13332,  
13 Section 42, and K.C.C. 27.10.350, Ordinance 13332,  
14 Section 52, and K.C.C. 27.10.500, Ordinance 11141,  
15 Section 40, as amended, and K.C.C. 27.02.100, adding a  
16 new section to K.C.C. Title 27 and repealing Ordinance  
17 13664, Section 2, Ordinance 13664, Section 3, Ordinance

18 13664, Section 4, Ordinance 13664, Section 5, Ordinance  
19 13664, Section 6, Ordinance 13664, Section 7, Ordinance  
20 13664, Section 8, Ordinance 13664, Section 9, Ordinance  
21 13664, Section 10, Ordinance 13664, Section 11, Ordinance  
22 13664, Section 12, and Ordinance 13664, Section 13, and  
23 K.C.C. 27.02.065.

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25 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

26 SECTION 1. A. Sections 2 through 14 of this ordinance propose corrections to  
27 technical errors and to service and permit fees assessed by the department of development  
28 and environment services.

29 B. The department's service and permit fees are assessed pursuant to K.C.C.  
30 2.99.030E.1.

31 SECTION 2. Ordinance 13332, Section 15, and K.C.C. 27.04.050 are each  
32 hereby amended to read as follows:

33 **Valuation.** "Valuation" means the determination of value (~~((under this chapter))~~)  
34 made by ~~((a))~~ the building official. In determining the applicable fee based on valuation,  
35 total valuation shall be determined based on current nationally recognized valuation  
36 tables, such as R.S. Means cost data publications, Dodge cost data publications~~((;))~~ or the  
37 current valuation data ~~((as))~~ published by the ~~((i))~~International ~~((e))~~Conference of  
38 ~~((b))~~Building ~~((o))~~Officials. In determining the valuation for permit and plan review fees,  
39 the valuation includes the total value of all construction work for which the permit is

40 issued, including all finish work, painting, roofing, electrical, plumbing, heating,  
41 ventilation and air conditioning, elevators, fire systems and any other permanent fixtures.

42 SECTION 3. Ordinance 13332, Section 17, and K.C.C. 27.10.020 are each  
43 hereby amended to read as follows:

44 **Building plan review fees – revision fees.** A. Fees for the review of buildings  
45 and structures, including additions and modifications, shall be calculated using the current  
46 valuation table and fee rate table published ((annually)) by the ((i))International  
47 ((e))Conference of ((b))Building ((o))Officials. For those items not covered by ((these))  
48 the valuation table((s)), the department shall use other current nationally recognized  
49 publications, such as R. S. Means cost((s)) or Dodge cost data, to determine the valuation  
50 and use the current ((i))International ((e))Conference of ((b))Building ((o))Officials fee  
51 rate table to determine the amount. The building official shall establish the final  
52 valuation. The fee charged shall be at seventy percent of the calculated amount, unless  
53 otherwise specified in this title.

54 B. Revisions to a permit application shall be charged at the current department  
55 hourly rate.

56 C. Additional plan review required when issuing a basic permit from a registered  
57 plan shall be charged ((on an hourly fee based on)) at the department's current hourly  
58 rate.

59 SECTION 4. Ordinance 13332, Section 18, and K.C.C. 27.10.030 are each hereby  
60 amended to read as follows:

61 **Building review fees – mechanical.** Mechanical review fees are distinguished by  
62 residential mechanical systems and commercial mechanical systems. Residential

63 mechanical system fees shall be charged a flat fee of one hundred ten dollars if the review  
64 is necessary. Commercial mechanical system fees shall be calculated based on the  
65 current valuation and fee rate tables published by the ((i))International ((e))Conference of  
66 ((b))Building ((o))Officials.

67 SECTION 5. Ordinance 13332, Section 20, and K.C.C. 27.10.050 are each  
68 hereby amended to read as follows:

69 **Fire systems and tank reviews.** A fee shall be charged to cover the costs of the  
70 department to review fire systems and tank systems as follows.

71	<u>System</u>	<u>Fee</u>
72	A. Fire alarm systems	
73	1. One to four zones	\$160.00
74	2. Each additional zone	30.00
75	3. Each addressable panel	570.00
76	4. Plus for each device	2.20
77	B. Fire extinguishing systems	\$320.00
78	(plus for each nozzle)	17.00
79	C. Automatic sprinkler systems	
80	1. Commercial - each riser	\$305.00
81	(plus for each head or plug)	3.00
82	2. Residential - each riser	245.00
83	(plus for each head or plug)	2.00
84	D. Standpipe systems	
85	1. Class I	\$320.00

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86	2. Class II	320.00
87	3. Class III	881.00
88	4. Each outlet for Class I or II	60.00
89	5. Fire ((P))pump	((2843.00)) <u>285.00</u>
90	E. Flammable or combustible liquids storage tanks:	
91	1. Underground, first tank	\$160.00
92	(plus each additional tank)	86.00
93	2. Above ground, each tank	160.00
94	F. Hazardous materials storage tanks:	
95	1. Less than 500 gallons - each	\$215.00
96	2. 500 to 1,199 gallons - each	437.00
97	3. 1,200 gallons or more - each	652.00
98	G. Liquefied petroleum tanks	
99	1. Less than 500 gallons	\$160.00
100	2. 500 - 9,999 gallons	320.00
101	3. 10,000 gallons or more	630.00
102	H. Gaseous oxygen systems	
103	1. Less than 6,000 cubic feet	\$ 97.00
104	2. 6,000 - 11,999 cubic feet	178.00
105	3. 12,000 cubic feet or more	320.00
106	I. Nitrous oxide systems	\$170.00
107	(plus each outlet)	13.00
108	J. Medical gas systems	

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109	1. Gaseous system	\$340.00
110	(plus each outlet)	13.00
111	2. Liquefied system	732.00
112	(plus each outlet)	13.00
113	K. Hazardous material recycling systems:	
114	1. 110gallons or less per day capacity	\$215.00
115	2. more than 110 gallons per day capacity	652.00
116	L. Vapor recovery systems: (per tank)	
117	1. Phase I - tank truck and tank	\$174.00
118	2. Phase II - vehicle fueled and tank	216.00
119	M. Cryogenic tanks (each)	\$174.00
120	N. Flammable liquids devices:	
121	1. Spray booths-updraft (each)	\$174.00
122	2. Dip tank (each)	156.00
123	3. Spray booths-downdraft (each)	290.00
124	4. Flow coaters (each)	330.00
125	5. Mixing/handling room	430.00
126	O. Fiberglass work systems:	
127	1. Spray or chopper booth	\$290.00
128	2. Lay-up areas	338.00
129	P. Organic peroxide storage facility	\$338.00
130	Q. Explosives storage magazines:	
131	1. Class I	\$338.00

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132	2. Class II	215.00
133	R. Compressed natural gas systems (each)	\$330.00
134	S. Liquefied natural gas systems	\$628.00
135	T. High piled storage racks	\$330.00
136	U. Smoke removal systems	\$338.00
137	V. High rise emergency evacuation plans	\$338.00
138	W. Commercial candle holding devices	\$215.00
139	X. Computer rooms	\$338.00
140	Y. Floor or layout plans required by the fire code for	
141	public assembly, special sales, outdoor storage of	
142	flammable liquids in drums or indoor storage of	
143	combustibles((-))	\$330.00
144	Z. Fire clearances when requested of the fire marshal,	
145	including but not limited to the following:	
146	1. State funding of school projects	\$215.00
147	2. State or federal school, hospital, nursing home,	
148	rehabilitative facilities or custodial facilities	
149	accreditation	215.00
150	3. State licensing of mini-day care, day care, foster	
151	home, boarding home	215.00
152	4. State liquor license	215.00
153	5. State gambling license	215.00
154	6. Special out-of-occupancy uses	215.00

155	7.	County house moving permits	215.00
156	8.	Fire clearance for King County business license	215.00
157	AA.	Approval of carpet samples or decorative materials	\$215.00
158	BB.	Special inspections for occupancy determinations	
159		or change of use requirements	\$215.00
160	CC.	Requested preliminary inspections	\$215.00
161	DD.	Each retest or reinspection of a fire protection or	
162		hazardous materials system prior to acceptance	
163		of the system, issuance of a permit or issuance of	
164		a certificate of occupancy (the first test or	
165		inspection will be made without charge)	\$437.00
166	EE.	Witnessing tests of used underground flammable	
167		liquids storage tanks before installation	\$215.00
168	FF.	Investigating and processing leaking underground	
169		storage tanks or hazardous materials spills and	
170		the subsequent containment and recovery of lost	
171		product	- current hourly rate
172	GG.	Underground piping to flammable or combustible	
173		liquid storage tanks	\$215.00
174	HH.	Installation, removal or abandonment, or any	
175		combination thereof, of flammable or combustible	
176		liquid storage tanks:	
177	1.	First tank (commercial)	\$215.00



178	2. Each additional tank (commercial)	112.00
179	3. Contractor's permit for removal or abandonment of residential	
180	underground fuel tanks (annual)	150.00
181	II. Witnessing tests of underground flammable or	
182	combustible liquid storage tanks for tank tightness	\$215.00
183	JJ. Conducting fire flow tests or analysis	\$769.00
184	KK. Fuel tanks for oil burning equipment:	
185	1. Commercial	\$160.00
186	2. Residential	77.00
187	LL. Monitoring transmitters	\$216.00
188	(plus each device)	2.20
189	MM. Sprinkler system supply mains (public main	
190	to sprinkler riser) (each)	\$215.00
191	NN. Emergency or standby power systems	\$215.00
192	OO. Plan review of construction fire safety plans	\$215.00
193	PP. Confidence testing of fire protection systems	\$215.00
194	QQ. High rise fire system review	\$215.00
195	RR. Fire protection plan review:	
196	1. <del>((Fire pump systems that are installed to meet</del>	
197	<del>K.C.C. chapter 17.08 (per hydrant)</del>	<del>\$64.00</del>
198	2. <del>Calculation of required fire flow or review of</del>	
199	<del>fire apparatus access roads for the following:</del>	
200	a. <del>Commercial buildings</del>	<del>255.00</del>

201	<del>b. Single family residential buildings</del>	<del>105.00</del>
202	<del>e. Short subdivisions residential</del>	<del>115.00</del>
203	<del>d. Short subdivisions commercial</del>	<del>115.00</del>
204	<del>e. Other development applications</del>	
205	<del>(including lot line adjustments)</del>	<del>200.00</del>
206	3.) Review of either water main extension, or	
207	replacement, or both	230.00
208	(plus per hydrant)	65.00
209	((4.) 2. Review of hazardous material management plan	450.00

210 SECTION 6. Ordinance 13332, Section 21, and K.C.C. 27.10.060 are each

211 hereby amended to read as follows:

212 **Zoning, landscape, parking.** Review for compliance with zoning, landscape,  
213 and parking standards shall be charged fees as follows:

214 A. Each review of small projects such as residential additions, mobile homes,  
215 signs, shell modifications, tenant improvements and other small or simple applications:  
216 three hundred dollars base fee plus department's current hourly rate after two and one-  
217 half hours (~~;-and~~).

218 B. Review of all other projects including new residential construction, large  
219 buildings, small and large nonbuilding structures and multifamily buildings, commercial  
220 site plans and other large, complex projects, including grading permits or other  
221 development permits: department's current hourly rate.

222 SECTION 7. Ordinance 13332, Section 25, and K.C.C. 27.10.100 are each

223 hereby amended to read as follows:

224 **Clearing site plan review.** Clearing site plan review includes review for  
 225 compliance with King County clearing code requirements((s)) and with the surface mine  
 226 interlocal agreement. Clearing site plan review shall include a base fee plus the  
 227 department's current hourly rate as follows:

A. Clearing review fees	<u>Area in Acres</u>	<u>Base</u>	<u>Hourly</u>
229 1. Clearing review of residential			
230 site plan not subject to			
231 ((S))state Environmental Policy			
232 Act	0.00 to 0.20	\$165.00	NA
233	0.20 to 2.00	450.00	NA
234	over 2.00	660.00	Over
235			four
236			hours
237 2. Clearing review of residential			
238 site plan subject to ((S))state			
239 Environmental Policy Act		660.00	Over
240			four
241			hours
242 3. Clearing review of nonresidential			
243 site plan	0.00 to 0.20	\$500.00	Over
244			three
245			hours
246	0.20 to 2.00	990.00	Over six

247				hours
248		over 2.00	1,980.00	Over
249				twelve
250				hours
251	4.	Hazardous tree removal or other		
252		miscellaneous clearing		Current
253				hourly
254				rate
255	5.	Moratorium relief – Basic		Over
256			330.00	<del>((six))</del>
257				<u>two</u>
258				hours
259		-- Complex	1,980.00	Over
260				twelve
261				hours
262	6.	Review of permit applications for residential		
263		developments		165.00 Plus per
264				hour
265	7.	Review of all other development proposals		
266		for other than single family residential		
267		development is one-half of the rates specified		
268		above for clearing review	One-half	One-half
269	B. Miscellaneous clearing review fees:			

270 1. Plan revision fee – each occurrence \$165.00 Plus per  
271 hour

272 2. Adjustments to clearing permit base fees:

273 a. Base fees may be doubled for work started without a permit.

274 b. Base fees may be increased by fifty percent if permit includes activities  
275 affecting sensitive areas.

276 c. Base fees may be increased by fifty percent if the applicant requests  
277 priority review.

278 SECTION 8. Ordinance 13332, Section 40, and K.C.C. 27.10.320 are each  
279 hereby amended to read as follows:

280 **Building construction inspection.** Fees for the inspection of ~~((commercial or~~  
281 ~~multifamily))~~ buildings and other structures, including additions and modifications, shall  
282 be calculated from the current valuation table and the current fee rate table published by  
283 the ~~((i))~~International ~~((e))~~Conference of ~~((b))~~Building ~~((o))~~Officials. For those items not  
284 covered by the~~((se))~~ valuation table, the department shall use other current nationally  
285 recognized publications, such as R.S. Means cost~~((s))~~ data and Dodge cost data, to  
286 determine the valuation and use the current ~~((i))~~International ~~((e))~~Conference of  
287 ~~((b))~~Building ~~((o))~~Officials fee rate tables to determine the amount. The building official  
288 shall establish the final valuation. The fee charged shall be seventy percent of the  
289 calculated amount, unless otherwise specified in this title.

290 SECTION 9. Ordinance 13332, Section 42, and K.C.C. 27.10.350 are each  
291 hereby amended to read as follows:

292 **Fire system and fire tank inspections – conformance with approved plan.**

293 Fees shall be charged to cover the costs of physical inspections to assure that projects are  
294 constructed in accordance with approved plans as follows:

295	A. Inspection of residential <del>((sprinkler systems))</del> <u>projects</u>	130.00
296	Plus per head:	2.00
297	B. Inspection of commercial <del>((fire sprinkler systems))</del> <u>projects</u>	140.00
298	Plus per head:	2.20
299	C. Inspection of water main extension or replacement	115.00
300	<u>D. Inspection of combustible liquid storage tanks</u>	<u>130.00</u>

301 SECTION 10. Ordinance 13332, Section 52, and K.C.C. 27.10.500 are each  
302 hereby amended to read as follows:

303 **Supplemental inspection and reinspection.** Supplemental inspection and  
304 reinspection fees shall be charged if inspections are required in addition to what would  
305 normally be required. Supplemental inspection fees shall be hourly and reinspection fees  
306 shall be fixed.

307 A. Supplemental inspections: department’s hourly rate with a minimum ~~((are~~  
308 ~~authorized at))~~ one and one-half hour charge.

309 B. Reinspections:

310	1. Residential	\$185.00
311	2. All other	400.00

312 SECTION 11. Ordinance 11141, Section 40, as amended, and K.C.C. 27.02.100  
313 are each hereby amended as follows:

314           **General service fee.** A general service fee assessed at the department's current  
315 hourly rate shall be charged for each of the following services:

316           A. Research performed outside the context of a pending application review; and

317           B. ~~((Plan review;~~

318           C. ~~Additional inspections; and~~

319           D.)) Professional services to other governments under adopted interlocal

320 agreement with the jurisdiction requesting the service.

321           NEW SECTION. SECTION 12. There is hereby added to K.C.C. Title 27 a new  
322 section to read as follows:

323           **Fee increases.** All fees authorized by Ordinance 13332, as amended, shall increase  
324 ten percent.

325           SECTION 13. Ordinance 13664, Section 2, Ordinance 13664, Section 3,  
326 Ordinance 13664, Section 4, Ordinance 13664, Section 5, Ordinance 13664, Section 6,  
327 Ordinance 13664, Section 7, Ordinance 13664, Section 8, Ordinance 13664, Section 9,  
328 Ordinance 13664, Section 10, Ordinance 13664, Section 11, Ordinance 13664, Section

329 12, and Ordinance 13664, Section 13, and K.C.C. 27.02.065 are each hereby repealed.

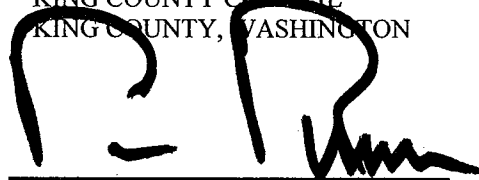
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Ordinance 13996 was introduced on 11/13/00 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 11/20/00, by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mr. von Reichbauer, Ms. Miller, Ms. Fimia, Mr. McKenna, Mr. Pullen, Mr. Vance and Mr. Irons  
No: 6 - Mr. Phillips, Mr. Pelz, Ms. Sullivan, Mr. Nickels, Mr. Gossett and Ms. Hague  
Excused: 0

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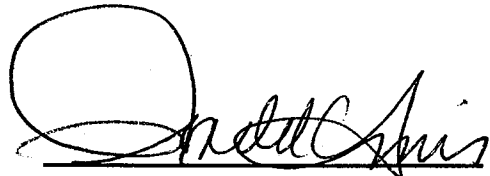
Pete von Reichbauer, Chair

ATTEST:



Anne Noris, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this 17 day of December, 2000.



Ron Sims, County Executive

Attachments None