BUILDING PERMIT FEES

New Commercial Building Permit Fees

Type of Occupancy Charge Per Square Foot

Churches and Other Religious	\$0.52
Apartments	\$0.57
Hotels/Motels	\$0.51
Industrial/Warehouse to 4999 Sq. Ft.	\$0.46
Industrial/Warehouse 5000-10000 Sq. Ft.	\$0.30
Industrial/Warehouse 10001-40000 Sq. Ft.	\$0.26
Industrial/Warehouse 40001-50000 Sq. Ft.	\$0.21
Industrial/Warehouse 50001 Sq. Ft. and up	\$0.17
Offices/Professional to 4999 Sq. Ft.	\$0.74
Offices/Professional 5000 – 10000 Sq. Ft.	\$0.63
Offices/Professional 10001 – 50000 Sq. Ft.	\$0.55
Offices/Professional 50001 Sq. Ft. and over	\$0.32
Restaurants – All Square Footages	\$1.27
Shell Building to 4999 Sq. Ft.	\$0.42
Shell Building 5000-25000 Sq. Ft.	\$0.39
Shell Building 25001 Sq. Ft. and up	\$0.33

There will be an additional \$.04 per square foot multiplier for the entire square footage of buildings 2 stories or more.

The Building Official shall classify commercial buildings not listed above in the category most nearly resembling the use.

Commercial Tenant Improvements

Type of Occupancy	Charge Per Square Foot
Up to 2000 Sq. Ft.	\$0.70
2001-3000 Sq. Ft.	\$0.62
3001-5000 Sq. Ft.	\$0.48
5001-20000 Sq. Ft.	\$0.41
20001 Sq. Ft. and up	\$0.36
Restaurants – All square footages	\$1.28

THE PLAN CHECK FEE FOR TENANT IMPROVEMENTS AND NEW BUILDINGS WILL BE 65% OF THE BUILDING PERMIT FEE.

ALL OSHPD III CERTIFICATIONS WILL BE AN ADDITIONAL \$0.27 PER SQUARE FOOT FOR TENANT IMPROVEMENTS AND NEW CONSTRUCTION

AN ADDITIONAL \$.10 PER SQUARE FOOT MULTIPLIER WILL BE ADDED TO MEDICAL AND DENTAL OCCUPANCIES NOT REQUIRING OSHPD CERTIFICATION

Swimming Pools

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Type		Fees

Residential – Pool only	\$570.00 – (\$27.61 x 1.5 intake/processing + \$82.46 x 5 inspection hours + \$78.07 x 1.5 plan review hours)
Residential – Pool & Spa	\$820.00 – (\$27.61 x 1.5 intake/processing + \$82.46 x 11 inspection hours + \$78.07 x 1.5 plan review hours)
Commercial	\$1220.00 – ((\$27.61 x 1.5 intake/processing + \$82.46 x 11 inspection hours + \$78.07 x 3.5 plan review hours)

Reroof Permits

Type	Fees
Residential	\$200.00 – (\$82.46 x 2.4 inspection hours)
Commercial	\$0.25 per Sq. Ft. of building area covered by roof.

Residential Additions

Square Footages	Fees
All square footages	\$1.00 per square foot

The Plan check fee will be 65% of the building permit fee.

There will be an additional \$.04 per square foot multiplier for the entire square footage of buildings 2 stories or more.

Residential Remodels

Square Footages	Fees
	\$242.99 minimum – (Residential
All square footages	alteration, remodel and repair fee
	calculation worksheet shall be used)

Fire Damage Repair Permits

Square Footages Fees

	\$242.99 minimum – (For residential or
All square footages	commercial, the fire damage repair fee
	calculation worksheet shall be used)

Sign Permits

All signs	\$160.53 minimum – (Commercial sign fee
	calculation worksheet shall be used)

New Single Family Dwellings and Duplexes Permit Fees (One Story)

Square Footage	Charge Per Square Foot
0-1580	\$1.00
1581-3350	\$0.95
3351-5000	\$0.85

The Plan Check fee for tract homes will be 15% of the building permit fee (includes Planning and Engineering processing fee).

The Plan check fee for custom homes will be 65% of the building permit fee.

There will be an additional \$.04 per square foot multiplier for the entire square footage of buildings 2 stories or more.

Plan review fees for initial master planned submittals will be 97% of the building permit fee.

The Chief Building Official shall have the authority to increase the fee in any individual case, not to exceed the actual cost to process the permit.

The amount of the fees shall be adjusted annually to account for inflation by using the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the region closest to the City of Merced. In no event shall the fees in any year be less than in the preceding year.

Miscellaneous Permits

Fee

Gas line replacement	\$89.36 – (27.61 x .25 processing + 82.46 x 1 inspection hour)
Domestic water line replacement	\$89.36 – (27.61 x .25 processing + 82.46 x 1 inspection hour)
Temporary power	\$89.36 – (27.61 x .25 processing + 82.46 x 1 inspection hour)
Backflow prevention device installation (2" or smaller)	\$89.36 – (27.61 x .25 processing + 82.46 x 1 inspection hour)
Backflow prevention device installation (Larger than 2")	\$89.36 – (27.61 x .25 processing + 82.46 x 1 inspection hour)
HVAC change-outs (Jobs more complicated than simple replacements will be subject to additional inspection fees)	\$89.36 – (27.61 x 1 hour processing + 82.46 x 1 inspection hour)
Water heater change-outs/basic mechanical permit	\$89.36 – (27.61 x .25 processing + 82.46 x 1 inspection hour)
Electrical panel change- outs/replacements (200 amp and smaller)	\$89.36 – (27.61 x .25 processing + 82.46 x 1 inspection hour)
Electrical panel change- outs/replacements (Larger than 200 amp)	Cost recovery – use commercial or residential fee worksheet
Inspections outside of regular business hours	Actual inspection hours. 82.46 x minimum of 2 inspection hours
Re-inspection fees	Actual inspection hours @ 82.46 per inspection hour
Additional plan review	Actual plan review hours @ 78.07 per hour
Commercial signs	Cost recovery – use commercial sign fee calculation worksheet
Photovoltaic System up to 2 inverters	\$247.70 (27.61 x .25 processing + 82.46 x 1.5 insp. hr. + 78.07 x 1.5 plan review hour)
Photovoltaic System 3 to 5 inverters	\$330.16 (27.61 x .25 processing + 82.46 x 2.5 insp. hr. + 78.07 x 1.5 plan review hour)
Photovoltaic System 6 or more inverters	\$412.62 (27.61 x .25 processing + 82.46 x 3.5 insp. hr. + 78.07 x 1.5 plan review hour)

Miscellaneous Permits (continued) Fee

Sewer line replacement/repair	\$89.36 – (27.61 x .25 processing + 82.46 x 1 inspection hour)
Fences, Block walls, and retaining walls requiring permit	\$160.53 minimum (1 hour plan review @ \$78.07 + 1 hour minimum inspection hour @ \$82.46 per hour) Use residential or commercial alteration, remodel and repair fee calculation worksheet.
Carports, patio covers, and enclosing patio covers.	\$242.99 minimum (1 hour plan review @ \$78.07 + 2 hours minimum inspection hours @ \$82.46 per hour) Use residential alteration, remodel and repair fee calculation worksheet

***FOR ALL PERMITS: ADDITIONAL INSPECTION FEES MAY BE CHARGED FOR A SECOND FAILURE OF AN INSPECTION. ADDITIONAL PLAN REVIEW FEES MAY BE CHARGED IF ESTIMATED TIMES ARE INSUFFICIENT TO COVER EMPLOYEE COST RECOVERY, OR IF PLANS REQUIRE A SECOND BACK-CHECK. ADDITIONAL FEES WILL BE CHARGED AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIAL. ***

Commercial Alteration, Remodel, and Repair Fee Calculation Worksheet

NOTE: 6 OR MORE INSPECTIONS REQUIRED CONSTITUTES A TENANT IMPROVEMENT, AND FEES WILL BE CHARGED AT THE PER SQ. Ft. RATES.

All figures are estimates, and may be adjusted prior to permit issuance

Type of Inspection Required	YES	NO	HOW MANY?
PLAN REVIEW - HOURS			
Under-Floor Plumbing Insp.			
Foundation Inspection			
Frame Inspection			
Mechanical Inspection			
Electrical inspection			
Basic Plumbing Inspection			
Drywall Inspection			
T-Bar Ceiling Installation Inspection			
Insulation Inspection			
Miscellaneous Inspections			
FINAL INSPECTION			
SUB-TOTALS	TOTAL PLAN REVIEW HOURS REQUIRED X \$78.07=		
SUB-TUTALS	TOTAL INSPECTIONS REQUIRED X \$82.46=		
TOTAL	*********		

^{*} FOR ALTERATIONS, REMODELS AND REPAIRS; THESE INSPECTIONS WILL TYPICALLY BE ACCOMPLISHED ON ONE FRAME INSPECTION VISIT. A minimum charge of 1 hour plan review @ \$78.07 + 2 hours minimum inspection hours @ \$82.46 per hour = minimum fee of \$242.99

Residential Alteration, Remodel, and Repair Fee Calculation Worksheet

All figures are estimates, and may be adjusted prior to permit issuance

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Type of Inspection Required	YES	NO	HOW MANY?
PLAN REVIEW - HOURS			
Under-Floor Plumbing Insp.			
*Plumbing Top-Out Insp.			
Foundation Inspection			
*Frame Inspection			
*Mechanical Inspection			
*Electrical Inspection			
*Basic Plumbing Inspection			
Drywall Inspection			
Lath/Plaster Inspection			
Roof Nail Inspection			
Insulation Inspection			
Miscellaneous Inspections			
FINAL INSPECTION			
GUD TOTAL G	TOTAL PLAN REVIEW HOURS REQUIRED X \$78.07= TOTAL INSPECTIONS REQUIRED X \$82.46=		
SUB-TOTALS			
TOTAL	*********		

^{*} FOR ALTERATIONS, REMODELS AND REPAIRS; THESE INSPECTIONS WILL TYPICALLY BE ACCOMPLISHED ON ONE FRAME INSPECTION VISIT.

A minimum charge of 1 hour plan review @ \$78.07 + 2 hours minimum inspection hours @ \$82.46 per hour = minimum fee of \$242.99

BUILDING PERMIT FEES (CONTINUED) Fire Damage Repair Fee Calculation Worksheet

All figures are estimates, and may be adjusted prior to permit issuance

YES	NO	HOW MANY?
TOTAL PLAN REVIEW HOURS REQUIRED X \$78.07= TOTAL INSPECTIONS REQUIRED X \$82.46=		
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^{*} FOR ALTERATIONS, REMODELS AND REPAIRS; THESE INSPECTIONS WILL TYPICALLY BE ACCOMPLISHED ON ONE FRAME INSPECTION VISIT.

A minimum charge of 1 hour plan review @ \$78.07 + 2 hours minimum inspection hours @ \$82.46 per hour = minimum fee of \$242.99

Commercial Sign Fee Calculation Worksheet ***All figures are estimates, and may be adjusted prior to permit issuance***

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Type of Inspection Required	YES	NO	HOW MANY?
PLAN REVIEW - HOURS			
Foundation Inspection			
Electrical inspection			
Miscellaneous Inspections			
FINAL INSPECTION			
SUB-TOTALS	TOTAL PLAN REVIEW HOURS REQUIRED X \$78.07=		
SOD-TOTALS	TOTAL INSPECTIONS REQUIRED X \$82.46=		
TOTAL	**********		

A minimum charge of 1 hour plan review @ \$78.07 + 1 hour minimum inspection hour @ \$82.46 per hour = minimum fee of \$160.53

ENCROACHMENT PERMITS

PROJECT TYPE FEE

NEW DRIVEWAY AND APPROACH	\$140.00 Based on 2 INSPECTIONS AT \$65.00 PER INSPECTION HOUR PLUS \$10.00 BASE ENCROACHMENT PERMIT FEE
REPLACE SEWER LINE	\$140.00 Based on 2 INSPECTIONS AT \$65.00 PER INSPECTION HOUR PLUS \$10.00 BASE ENCROACHMENT PERMIT FEE
REPLACE WATER LINE	\$140.00 Based on 2 INSPECTIONS AT \$65.00 PER INSPECTION HOUR PLUS \$10.00 BASE ENCROACHMENT PERMIT FEE
NEW SIDEWALK AND REPAIR	\$140.00 Based on 2 INSPECTIONS AT \$65.00 PER INSPECTION HOUR PLUS \$10.00 BASE ENCROACHMENT PERMIT FEE

Projects beyond the scope of basic permit requirements shall be charged additional plan review and inspection fees based on 1-hour increments at \$65.00 per hour.

FIRE PERMIT FEES

TYPE FEE

FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEM - NEW CONSTRUCTION: 1-50 HEADS	\$424.05 - (Processing - \$6.90 (based on 15 min @ \$27.61/hr) + Inspection - \$333.72 (based on 4 inspections @ \$83.43/hr) + Plan Review fee/Deposit - \$83.43 (based on 1 hour @ \$83.43/hr)
FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEM - NEW CONSTRUCTION: 51-100 HEADS	\$507.48 - (Processing - \$6.90 (based on 15 min @ \$27.61/hr) + Inspection - \$333.72 (based on 4 inspections @ \$83.43/hr) + Plan Review fee/Deposit - \$166.86 (based on 2 hours @ \$83.43/hr)
FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEM - NEW CONSTRUCTION: 101-200 HEADS	\$757.47 – (Processing – \$6.90 (based on 15 min @ \$27.61/hr) + Inspection - \$500.58 (based on 6 inspections @ \$83.43/hr) + Plan Review fee/Deposit - \$250.29 (based on 3 hours @ \$83.43/hr)
FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEM - NEW CONSTRUCTION: IN EXCESS OF 200 HEADS	\$1508.06 - (Processing - \$6.90 (based on 15 min @ \$27.61/hr) + Base Permit Fee for 101-200 Heads - \$750.87 (\$757.47-\$6.90 processing fee) + Plan Review fee/Deposit - \$250.29 (based on 3 hours @ \$83.43/hr) + \$500.00 for each 200 heads in excess of 200 or fraction thereof)
FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEM – TI/MODIFICATION: 1-20 HEADS	\$257.19 - (Processing - \$6.90 (based on 15 min @ \$27.61/hr) + Inspection - \$166.86 (based on 2 inspections @ \$83.43/hr) + Plan Review fee/Deposit - \$83.43 (based on 1 hour @ \$83.43/hr)
FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEM – TI/MODIFICATION: 21-100 HEADS	\$340.62 - (Processing - \$6.90 (based on 15 min @ \$27.61/hr) + Inspection - \$250.29 (based on 3 inspections @ \$83.43/hr) + Plan Review fee/Deposit - \$83.43 (based on 1 hour @ \$83.43/hr)
FIRE SUPPRESSION STANDPIPE SYSTEM	\$340.62 - (Processing - \$6.90 (based on 15 min @ \$27.61/hr) + Inspection - \$250.29 (based on 3 inspections @ \$83.43/hr) + Plan Review fee/Deposit - \$83.43 (based on 1 hour @ \$83.43/hr)
FIRE PUMP CERTIFICATION	\$590.91 – (Processing – \$6.90 (based on 15 min @ \$27.61/hr) + Inspection - \$417.15 (based on 5 inspections @ \$83.43/hr) + Plan Review fee/Deposit - \$166.86 (based on 2 hours @ \$83.43/hr)

FIRE PERMIT FEES (CONTINUED)

TYPE FEE

UNDERGROUND FIRE SERVICE	\$340.62 – (Processing – \$6.90 (based on 15 min @ \$27.61/hr) + Inspection - \$250.29 (based on 3 inspections @ \$83.43/hr) + Plan Review fee/Deposit - \$83.43 (based on 1 hour @ \$83.43/hr)
PROPANE TANK INSTALLATION	\$173.76 - (Processing - \$6.90 (based on 15 min @ \$27.61/hr) + Inspection - \$83.43 (based on 1 inspection @ \$83.43/hr) + Plan Review fee/Deposit - \$83.43 (based on 1 hour @ \$83.43/hr)
ABOVEGROUND/UNDERGROUND TANK INSTALLATION: (PER TANK)	\$173.76 - (Processing - \$6.90 (based on 15 min @ \$27.61/hr) + Inspection - \$83.43 (based on 1 inspection @ \$83.43/hr) + Plan Review fee/Deposit - \$83.43 (based on 1 hour @ \$83.43/hr)
ABOVEGROUND/UNDERGROUND TANK REMOVAL: (PER TANK)	\$173.76 - (Processing - \$6.90 (based on 15 min @ \$27.61/hr) + Inspection - \$83.43 (based on 1 inspection @ \$83.43/hr) + Plan Review fee/Deposit - \$83.43 (based on 1 hour @ \$83.43/hr)
ABOVEGROUND/UNDERGROUND TANK ABANDONMENT: (PER TANK)	\$173.76 - (Processing - \$6.90 (based on 15 min @ \$27.61/hr) + Inspection - \$83.43 (based on 1 inspection @ \$83.43/hr) + Plan Review fee/Deposit - \$83.43 (based on 1 hour @ \$83.43/hr)
FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEM HOOD/BOOTH: (PER SYSTEM)	\$173.76 - (Processing - \$6.90 (based on 15 min @ \$27.61/hr) + Inspection - \$83.43 (based on 1 inspection @ \$83.43/hr) + Plan Review fee/Deposit - \$83.43 (based on 1 hour @ \$83.43/hr)
FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEM HALON/CLEAN AGENT: (PER SYSTEM)	\$340.62 - (Processing - \$6.90 (based on 15 min @ \$27.61/hr) + Inspection - \$166.86 (based on 2 hrs inspection @ \$83.43/hr) + Plan Review fee/Deposit - \$166.86 (based on 2 hours @ \$83.43/hr)
SOIL OR WATER REMEDIATION SYSTEMS	\$257.19 - (Processing - \$6.90 (based on 15 min @ \$27.61/hr) + Inspection - \$166.86 (based on 2 hrs inspection @ \$83.43/hr) + Plan Review fee/Deposit - \$83.43 (based on 1 hour @ \$83.43/hr)

FIRE PERMIT FEES (CONTINUED)

TYPE FEE

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FUEL DISPENSING EQUIPMENT	\$173.76 – (Processing – \$6.90 (based on 15 min @ \$27.61/hr) + Inspection - \$83.43 (based on 1 inspection @ \$83.43/hr) + Plan Review fee/Deposit - \$83.43 (based on 1 hour @ \$83.43/hr) + \$20.86 for each additional dispenser (based on 15 minutes per inspection @ \$83.43/hr)
WATER FLOW TEST	\$173.76 – (Processing – \$6.90 (based on 15 min @ \$27.61/hr) + Testing - \$166.86 (based on 1 hr X 2 people @ 83.43/hr) *Customer will request testing. *Testing will be performed, and invoice sent, or payment may be made at time of request. *Upon receipt of payment, results will be transmitted to customer
FIRE ALARM/FIRE SUPPRESSION MONITORING SYSTEM: TO 10 DEVICES	\$173.76 - (Processing - \$6.90 (based on 15 min @ \$27.61/hr) + Inspection - \$83.43 (based on 1 inspection @ \$83.43/hr) + Plan Review fee/Deposit - \$83.43 (based on 1 hour @ \$83.43/hr)
FIRE ALARM/FIRE SUPPRESSION MONITORING SYSTEM: 10TO 50 DEVICES	\$257.19 - (Processing - \$6.90 (based on 15 min @ \$27.61/hr) + Inspection - \$166.86 (based on 2 hrs inspection @ \$83.43/hr) + Plan Review fee/Deposit - \$83.43 (based on 1 hour @ \$83.43/hr)
FIRE ALARM/FIRE SUPPRESSION MONITORING SYSTEM: 50 TO 100 DEVICES	\$424.05 - (Processing - \$6.90 (based on 15 min @ \$27.61/hr) + Inspection - \$250.29 (based on 3 hrs inspection @ \$83.43/hr) + Plan Review fee/Deposit - \$166.86 (based on 2 hours @ \$83.43/hr)
FIRE ALARM/FIRE SUPPRESSION MONITORING SYSTEM: 101 TO 200 DEVICES	\$590.91 – (Processing – \$6.90 (based on 15 min @ \$27.61/hr) + Inspection - \$333.72 (based on 4 inspections @ \$83.43/hr) + Plan Review fee/Deposit - \$250.29 (based on 3 hours @ \$83.43/hr)

FIRE PERMIT FEES (CONTINUED)

TYPE FEE

FIRE ALARM/FIRE SUPPRESSION	\$1041.20 – (Processing – \$6.90 (based on
MONITORING SYSTEM OVER 200	15 min @ \$27.61/hr) + Base Permit Fee for
DEVICES	101-200 Devices - \$584.01 (\$590.91-
	\$6.90processing fee) + Plan Review
	fee/Deposit - \$250.29 (based on 3 hours @
	\$83.43/hr) + \$200.00 for each additional
	100 devices or fraction thereof over 200
ADDITIONAL PLAN REVIEW – 1	\$83.43 PER HOUR – (applies to second
HOUR MINIMUM	revision and subsequent revisions
	thereafter)
ADDITIONAL INSPECTION – 1 HOUR	\$83.43 PER HOUR – (applies if second
MINIMUM	inspection fails and rescheduling is
	necessary – fee is per additional inspection
	hour)
RESIDENTIAL FIRE SPRINKLER	\$298.91 – (Processing – \$6.90 (based on 15
SYSTEM WITH LESS THAN 20 HEADS	min @ \$27.61/hr) + Inspection - \$208.58
(SYSTEMS EXCEEDING 20 HEADS WILL	(based on 2.5 inspections @ \$83.43/hr) +
BE CHARGED AT THE NEW	Plan Review fee/Deposit - \$83.43 (based
CONSTRUCTION 1-50 HEADS RATE)	on 1 hour @ \$83.43/hr)

UNUSUAL OR UNFORSEEN PROJECTS SHALL BE CHARGED FEES ON A PERHOUR BASIS FOR PLAN REVIEW, CONSULTATION, AND INSPECTION @ \$83.43 PER HOUR.

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