

2023/2024 - Town of Columbus Schedule of Fees and Charges

PLANNING & ZONING FEES

Ordinance Copies

Zoning Ordinance	\$10.00
Sign Ordinance	\$6.00

Administrative Approval Application

Zoning Compliance Permits

All Zoning Certificates Require Sketch Plat Review/Consult

Residential- New Construction, Single-Family	\$100.00
Residential- New Construction, Multi-Family (Apartment, Condo, Town Home, etc.)	\$200 + \$ 25/Unit
Remodel- Interior Only	\$25.00
Remodel- Exterior (no change to footprint), including siding or roofing replacement	\$35.00
Residential Accessory/Addition	\$50.00
Commercial- Under 5,000 Square Feet	\$200.00
Commercial - 5,000+ Square Feet	\$500.00
Billboard	\$200.00
Temporary Sign - 30 Days	\$25.00
Permanent Sign	\$100.00
Temporary Use	\$75.00
Home Occupation	\$50.00
Zoning Verification Letter	\$35.00
Temporary Construction Trailers	\$50.00

Board Reviewed Applications

Master Plans (Phased Development)	\$500.00
Minor Subdivisions- 2 Lots	\$100.00
Minor Subdivisions- 3-4 Lots	\$150.00
Major Subdivisions- 5+ Lots (Preliminary & Final)	\$500.00 + \$25.00 per lot over 5 lots
Site Plan Review for Large Scale Developments	\$225 + \$5 per acre over 10 acres

Zoning Map Amendments/Requests to Rezone

Fees include application processing, public hearing notice, & adjacent land owner notification

1-20 Property Owners Adjacent	\$325.00
21-50 Property Owners Adjacent	\$375.00
51-100 Property Owners Adjacent	\$450.00
Over 100 Property Owners Adjacent	\$600.00

Other Board Reviewed Applications

Conditional Use Permit	\$500.00
Text Amendments or Rezoning	\$500.00
Board of Adjustment Appeal Request	\$200.00
Special Use Permit	\$350.00
Special Use Permit - Wireless Communication*	\$2,500.00
Variance Request	\$350.00

*\$500.00 of this fee is NON-REFUNDABLE, and due at the time of application submission; the remaining \$2,000.00 is due prior to permit issuance.

SEDIMENTATION AND EROSION CONTROL FEES

Permit is required for any soil disturbance 43,560 square feet (1 Acre) or greater

Grading Permit	\$500.00 per Acre
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MOUNTAIN AND HILLSIDE DEVELOPMENT REVIEW

Applications for Mountain & Hillside Review shall be submitted prior & in addition to regular zoning permit reviews

***Applies to property 1500+ feet in elevation OR 400+ feet above adjacent valley and any property with an average slope of 20% or greater.**

Residential Zoning Compliance Permit	\$30.00
Residential Accessory/Addition Zoning Compliance Permit	\$25.00
Non-Residential Zoning Compliance Permit	\$50.00
Master Plan Submittal	\$700.00
Preliminary & Final Plats (Minor Subdivisions)	\$140.00
Preliminary & Final Plats (Major Subdivisions)	\$700.00
Conditional Use Permit	\$210.00
Special Use Permit	\$560.00

Water and Sewer

Water and Sewer Rates

Residential Water (inside town limits)	\$24.05	0-3,000 gallons
Residential Water (inside town limits)	\$3.50	3,001-10,000 gallons
Residential Water (inside town limits)	\$4.81	10,001 + gallons
Residential Water (outside)	\$48.09	0-3,000 gallons
Residential Water (outside)	\$7.01	3,001-10,000 gallons
Residential Water (outside)	\$9.64	10,001 + gallons
Residential Sewer (inside town)	\$34.80	0-3,000 gallons
Residential Sewer (inside town)	\$5.23	3,001-10,000 gallons
Residential Sewer (inside town)	\$6.54	10,001 + gallons
Residential Sewer (outside town)	\$69.59	0-3,000 gallons
Residential Sewer (outside town)	\$10.45	3,001-10,000 gallons
Residential Sewer (outside town)	\$13.08	10,001 + gallons
Commercial Water (inside town)	\$38.96	0-5,000 gallons
Commercial Water (inside town)	\$3.50	5,001-10,000
Commercial Water (inside town)	\$4.81	10,001-100,000
Commercial Water (inside town)	\$6.13	100,001-500,000
Commercial Water (inside town)	\$7.44	500,001+
Commercial Water (outside town)	\$77.94	0-5,000 gallons
Commercial Water (outside town)	\$7.01	5,001-10,000
Commercial Water (outside town)	\$9.64	10,001-100,000
Commercial Water (outside town)	\$12.26	100,001-500,000
Commercial Water (outside town)	\$14.89	500,001+
Commercial Sewer (inside town)	\$56.60	0-5,000 gallons
Commercial Sewer (inside town)	\$5.23	5,001-10,000
Commercial Sewer (inside town)	\$6.54	10,001-100,000
Commercial Sewer (inside town)	\$7.85	100,001-500,000
Commercial Sewer (inside town)	\$9.16	500,001+
Commercial Sewer (outside town)	\$113.19	0-5,000 gallons
Commercial Sewer (outside town)	\$10.45	5,001-10,000
Commercial Sewer (outside town)	\$13.08	10,001-100,000
Commercial Sewer (outside town)	\$15.70	100,001-500,000
Commercial Sewer (outside town)	\$18.33	500,001+

Water and Sewer Fees

Availability Fee		Water	\$34.05	
		Sewer	\$34.80	
Bulk Water Rate				The bulk water rate is the same as the commercial inside water rate
Dump Fees				\$93.75 per 1000 gallon load
Saluda/Tryon/Columbus Line Fee				\$3.40 a month for all customers

Water Taps - Inside Town Limits

3/4" & Backflow	Total
\$2,375.00	\$2,375.00
1" & Backflow	Total
\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
* 2"	Total
\$5,750.00	\$5,750.00

Owner Responsibility to Install Taps & Backflow Preventers on Meters Greater than 6-Inches

6"	Back Flow	
Owner Installs; \$1000.00		Owners Responsibility
8"	Back Flow	
Owner Installs; \$1,250.00		Owners Responsibility
10"	Back Flow	
Owner Installs; \$1,500.00		Owners Responsibility

* - All 2 inch meters require the owner to install the Backflow Preventer

Water Taps - Outside Town Limits

3/4" & Backflow	Total
\$3,125.00	\$3,125.00
1" & Backflow	Total
\$3,250.00	\$3,250.00
* 2"	Total
\$5,750.00	\$5,750.00

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Sewer Taps - Inside Town Limits

4"	Total
\$2,625.00	\$2,625.00

Owner Responsibility to Install Taps on Anything over 6-Inches

6"

Owner Installs; \$1000.00

8"

Owner Installs; \$1,250.00

Sewer Taps - Outside Town Limits

4"	Total
\$3,375.00	\$3,375.00

Owner Responsibility to Install Taps on Anything over 6-Inches

6"

Owner Installs; \$1000.00

8"

Owner Installs; \$1,250.00

Additional Water/Sewer Fees & Penalties

Disconnection Fee:		
1st Offense		\$10.00
2nd Offense		\$35.00
3rd and subsequent offenses		\$75.00
Returned Checks / NSF Administration Fee		\$25.00
Inside Water Deposit		\$150.00
Outside Water Deposit		\$200.00
After Hours Connection Fee		\$100.00
Meter Set/Replacment Fee		\$400.00

Sanitation Fees

Residential Customers Once per Week		\$22.00/mth
Commercial Customers		
2 pick ups per week		\$44.00/mth
3 pick ups per week		\$66.00/mth
4 pick ups per week		\$88.00/mth
5 pick ups per week		\$110.00/mth

Fabulous 4th Festival Fees

Commercial Vendor Space		\$100.00
Craft Vendor Space (Handmade Only)		\$25.00
Food/Drink Vendor Space		\$250.00
Non-Profit Vendor Space (Local Only)		\$30.00

Miscellaneous

Electronic Gaming Fees*		\$300.00 per location & \$300.00 per machine each fiscal year
<small>*Must meet zoning requirements regarding location of electronic gaming machines & amended eff. 7/18/13</small>		

Administrative Fees

Certified Copy Fee	1st Page		\$5.00
Certified Copy Fee	Additional Pages		\$2.00
Copier Fees			\$.15 page
Notary Fee			\$5.00 per Signature
Minutes			\$5.00 per CD
Precious Metals Permit			\$180.00
Precious Metals	Fingerprint		\$38.00
Video DVD copy	per camera	per incident	\$50.00
Video CD copy	per camera	per incident	\$25.00
Criminal History Report			\$15.00
Incident/Wreck Report			\$7.00
Golf Cart Inspection Fee	Annual		\$50.00
Golf Cart Permit Fee	Annual		\$50.00
Food Truck	Monthly		\$250.00

Town Code Violations

Parking Citation	First Offense		\$5.00
Parking Citation	If not paid after 60 days		\$25.00
Yard Sale Sign Violation			\$10.00