AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING NEW BUILDING-RELATED PERMIT FEES FOR THE CITY OF CONWAY; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES:

Whereas, the City of Conway has not raised the majority of its building-related permit fees since 1999; and

Whereas, the cost of issuing the permits and conducting the inspections has risen markedly since that time; and

Whereas, it is important for fees to reflect a significant percentage of the actual costs to the City of Conway of providing the services paid for by the fees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CONWAY, ARKANSAS:

Section 1: That Section 11.04.26, (E) of the Conway Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(E) Application for permits shall be made according to the following table of charges:

All other fees (includes remodeling, additions, and repairs, excluding minor repairs as noted in Section (A,) of this ordinance): All trades

Rough and Final Inspections $15.00
Re-inspect $25.00

ELECTRICAL All new construction is $0.06 per square foot, with a minimum of $36.00, whichever is greater.

Temporary Construction pole (service) (MUST BE INSPECTED) no charge

Outlets 1 to 5 $5.50
Over 5 $0.30 each

Light Fixtures & Switches 1 to 5 $5.50
Over 5 $0.30 each

Outside Electric Signs $6.25
Electric Window Signs $3.75
Neon Borders, window and outside $3.75
Service only (such as mobile homes) $30.00
TPP (temporary power to structure prior to final inspection-expires in 30 days) $20.00
Electric Stove, Ranges, Dryers or Hot Water htrs. $6.75
Vent Hoods $2.00
Dish Washers $2.00
Disposals $2.00
Electric Heater 1to 15 KW $3.75
16 to 25 KW $6.75
Air Conditioners: 20 to 30 amp $3.00
40 to 60 amp $4.00

In case the electrical inspector is required to make more than one trip for the purpose of inspecting any work due to a violation of codes, ordinances, wrong address, or any other irregularities caused by the master electrician or his agents, a charge of $25.00 shall be paid for each additional trip or reinspection.”

Section 2: That Section 11.08.05, (b) of the Conway Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

“(b) Application for permits shall be made on suitable forms provided by the Permits and Inspection Department. The application shall be accompanied by fees in accordance with the following fee schedule:

All new construction (under roof) $ 0.06 per square foot
Beginning January 1st, 2008
$ 0.10 per square foot
Beginning July 1st, 2008

Commercial & Residential minimum $250.00

All other:

PLUMBING All new construction (minimum of $36.00) $ 0.06 per sq .ft.
Accessory $20.00

Fixtures $3.50

Water Heater $10.00

Gas Service Line per meter $20.00
MECHANICAL Heating and Cooling System for a New Structure (minimum $36.00) $ 0.06 per sq. ft.

Replacement or addition of a Mechanical Heating or Cooling system $15.00 each

Remodeling of a Heating and Cooling System for a structure (ductwork only) $36.00 minimum

Any reinspection or additional inspection required by the inspector and caused by the failure of the subcontractor to be ready for testing or not complying with code procedures is $25.00.”

Section 3: That Section 11.16.06, a. of the Conway Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

“On all buildings, structures, additions or alterations requiring a building permit, the fee for such permit shall be paid at the time of the filing of the application in accordance with the following schedule:

BUILDING/Residential (All fees are minimum if cost per square ft. is more.)

All new free-standing construction (under roof) $ 0.06 per sq. ft.
Beginning 1-1-2008 ($130.00 minimum)
$ 0.10 per sq. ft.
Beginning 7-1-2008 ($250.00 minimum)

Additions to single family dwellings $ 35.00
Accessory $ 20.00
Remodeling $ 30.00
$ 1.00 per $1,000 of Construction costs

NON-RESIDENTIAL (All fees are minimum if cost per square foot is more.)

New Construction $ 0.06 per sq. ft.
Beginning 1-1-2008 ($130.00 minimum)
$ 0.10 per sq. ft.
Beginning 7-1-2008 ($250.00 minimum)

Additions $ 45.00
Accessory $ 50.00
Remodeling $ 30.00
$ 1.00 per $1,000 of Construction costs
Section 4: That this ordinance shall not take effect until January 1, 2008 but shall be in full force and effect from and after said date.

Section 5: That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are repealed to the extent of that conflict.

PASSED this 9th day of October 2007.

Approved:

[Signature]
Mayor Tab Townsell

Attest:

Michael O. Garrett
City Clerk/Treasurer