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June 4, 2010

The Honorable Ann Campbell, Mayor,
and Members of the City Council
of the City of Ames, Iowa

Re: Resolution Adopting New & Revised Fees

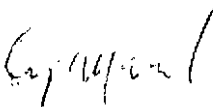
Dear Mayor Campbell and Council Members:

The City of Ames annually reviews and adjusts all fees and charges collected for permits, licenses, and services. The Transit Board sets CyRide fees and charges, and the Parks and Recreation Board sets the fees and charges for the Parks and Recreation Department. All other fees and charges are adopted by resolution of the City Council, with an effective date of July 1. Once adopted, the new and revised fees are codified and added to the Ames Municipal Code in Appendices D, E, F, M, Q, R, & U.

City staff members first review fees and charges during the budgeting process each spring. After the annual budget is adopted and certified, fees and charges are adjusted to reflect the actual costs of the permits, licenses, and services for the fiscal year beginning July 1. All of the proposed revisions to the fee schedules are reviewed by the Finance Department, the Legal Department, and each department responsible for providing the permits, licenses, and services funded by the fees and charges.

The attached fee resolution incorporates all of the new and revised fees and charges anticipated for the 2010-2011 fiscal year, with the exception of those already set by the Transit Board and the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Yours truly,


Douglas R. Marek
City Attorney

Attachment

c: Diane Voss, Steve Schainker

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING NEW AND REVISED FEES
FOR THE CITY OF AMES, IOWA**

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council for the City of Ames, Iowa, that the following fees shall be adopted or adjusted to recover the approximate actual costs of city services from those who use and benefit from these services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Ames, Iowa, that fees shall be adopted as follows:

SECTION ONE. The following **Registration, License and Permit Fees** are hereby adopted or adjusted effective July 1, 2010, and codified as **Appendix D:**

REGISTRATION/LICENSE FEES

Garbage Hauler	\$50.00/truck/year
Tree Surgeon	\$35.00/year
House Mover	\$25.00/year
Beer & Liquor	Varies
Cigarette	\$100.00/year
Vendor's License	\$50.00/year

PERMITS

Road Race	\$25.00
Fireworks	\$25.00
Encroachment	\$1.00/sf or \$25.00 minimum
Pawnbroker's Permit	\$100.00/yr.
Peddler's Permit (for 60 day license)	\$35.00
Precious Metals Dealer's Permit (for an annual permit)	\$25.00
Sidewalk Café	\$35.00
Newspaper Vending Permit	\$20.00/machine

SECTION TWO. The following **Animal Shelter Service Fees** are hereby adopted or adjusted effective July 1, 2010, and codified as **Appendix E:**

FEES FOR ANIMAL SHELTER SERVICE

Impound Fees (release to owner):	
1st time	\$25.00
2nd & subsequent times	\$30.00
Putting Animals up for adoption:	
Adult dogs, residents	\$15.00
Adult cats, residents	\$10.00
Rabbits & Ferrets	\$10.00
Puppies & kittens, singles	\$10.00
Puppies & kittens, multiples	\$7.00
Adoption of Animals:	
Pure Breed	\$80.00
Dogs, altered	\$50.00
Dogs, unaltered	\$50.00

Refund after neutering, dogs	\$30.00
Cats, altered	\$40.00
Cats, unaltered	\$40.00
Refund after neutering, cats	\$25.00
Ferrets	\$40.00
Refund after neutering, ferrets	\$20.00
Rabbits	\$10.00
Refund after neutering, rabbits	\$10.00
Birds	\$10.00

Euthanasia Fees:

Dog	\$15.00
Cat	\$10.00

Fee waivers for special needs adoptions, overcrowding or emergency shelter services are approved by the Animal Control Supervisor by authority of the City Council.

Adoption Fees are waived for Senior Citizens.

If an animal, due to it's rare breed would bring a fair market value which far exceeds the fees listed in the rare animal fee schedule then the animal control staff of the City of Ames, Iowa, is authorized to charge that fair market fee for both putting up for adoption and adoption fees. The animal control staff must research the fee that they feel should be charged for a very rare breed of animal and document how the figure was arrived at.

All Animal Shelter Service Fees Set by Resolution of City Council.

(Res. No. 81-365 adopted 11-10-81; Res. No. 85-139 amended some fees; Res. No. 86-69 amended some fees; Res. No. 87-177, adopted 6-23-87; Res. No. 88-195 adopted 6-14-88; Res. No. 90-216 adopted 6-26-90; Res. No. 93-167 adopted 5-11-93; Res. No. 95-164 adopted 4-25-95, Res. No. 03-284 amended some fees)

DANGEROUS ANIMAL FEES

Permit to keep a dangerous animal	\$23.00
Permit for traveling wild life, menageries, shows and petting zoos	\$36.00
Animal Shelter boarding fees	\$3.00
Exhibitor fee	
a. if requested at the time of inspection for a permit to keep the dangerous animal	\$2.00
b. if requested at any other time	\$8.00

SECTION THREE. The following **Public Works Fees** are hereby adopted or adjusted effective July 1, 2010, and codified as **Appendix F**:

SOLID WASTE RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. No liquids, animals, hazardous or toxic waste, or demolition material will be accepted at the Arnold O. Chantland Resource Recovery Center except motor oil that is delivered to the Arnold O. Chantland Resource Recovery Center in separate containers. All containers, except for motor oil, must be open.

2. Per Capita Charge \$10.50

3. Delivery charges at the Arnold O. Chantland Recovery Center shall be:

- a. Vehicles through the meter gate:
 - Passenger cars, each \$8.00
 - Pickup, vans or vehicles towing trailers, each \$22.00

- b. Commercial charge customers through the scales:
All vehicles, including those of licensed refuse haulers, per ton
(Minimum charge one ton) \$52.75
 - c. Non Per Capita Rate, per ton \$72.00
 - d. Out of County rate, per ton \$144.00
 - e. Tires*:
16" or smaller \$2.25
16.5" - 24" truck tires \$4.25
Sand box tire or farm tractor tire \$35.00
*Any tire on a rim, the actual tire disposal charge plus for rim \$5.00
 - f. Iowa State University, other State and Federal agencies
A proportional share by weight on the system cost
or as provided by contract
 - g. Motorized white goods, including refrigerator, freezers, washing
machines, dryers, air conditioners and microwave ovens, each \$20.00
 - h. Waste Oil: First five gallons no charge, then per gallon \$.25
3. The plant will be closed on the following holidays: New Years Day, President's Day, Memorial Day (Federal designation), Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day. When the holiday falls on Sunday the following day will be observed.

MISCELLANEOUS FEES

1. **SIDEWALK CLEARING** shall be the actual cost plus a \$50.00 administrative fee.
2. **CURB OPENINGS.**
 - a. A charge of fifty dollars (\$50.00) per opening shall be made for all applications for residential curb openings or changes in width or location of any existing residential access drive.
 - b. A charge of fifty dollars (\$50.00) shall be made for all applications for commercial or industrial curb cuts, openings or access permits and any application for any type of curb opening or access permit to a primary highway.
3. **SIDEWALKS.**
 - a. A charge of fifty dollars (\$50.00) per single frontage property shall be made for all applications for new sidewalk installation.
 - b. A charge of seventy-five (\$75.00) per property having two or more frontages shall be made for all applications for new sidewalk installation.
4. **DRIVEWAY CULVERT INSTALLATION.** Driveway culverts shall be furnished and installed by and remain the property of the City. The owner of the property to which access is provided by the culvert shall be charged a fee of twenty dollars and fifty cents (\$20.50) per lineal foot of culvert used.
5. **PLAN FEES.** One set of bidding documents is available without charge to prospective bidders, subcontractor bidders, suppliers, and contractor plan room services. For all others, Plan Fees shall be the actual cost of printing plus a \$15.00 administrative fee.
6. **ENGINEERING FEES**
 - a. Graphical Printing
 - Labor, per hour (minimum one-quarter hour charge) \$25.00
 - Paper, 8 ½" x 11" (black & white) \$25
 - Paper, 11" x 17" (black & white) \$50
 - Paper, 8 ½" x 11" (color map) \$2.50
 - Paper, 11"x 17" (color map) \$5.00
 - Plots, per sq. ft. (black & white, line drawing) \$1.25
 - Plots, per sq. ft. (color map) \$2.50
 - b. Geographic Information System (GIS) data
 - Labor, per hour (minimum one-quarter hour charge) \$25.00
 - 2 ft. contours, per acre \$1.50
 - Planimetrics, per acre \$.60

- c. Sewer connection (8" sewer), per lineal foot \$18.00
- d. Water service connection (8" main), per lineal foot \$18.00
(with a minimum charge of \$650.00 per lot or land parcel)
- e. Construction inspection only shall be actual costs.

SECTION FOUR. The following **Public Safety - Police Fees** are hereby adopted or adjusted effective July 1, 2010, and codified as **Appendix M:**

POLICE DEPARTMENT FEES & CHARGES

Accident, Verification of Loss and other	
Police Reports	\$3.00 per incident
Overtime Payback and Event/Escort Service (per hour)	\$40.00
False Alarm Fee – After three times	\$30.00
Process Service Fee	\$15.00
Service fee for Service of Warrant	\$20.00
Non-criminal fingerprinting fee	\$10.00
Criminal History Check	\$2.00 per person checked
Booking Photo/Other Photo	\$3.00
Parking Collection Fee	\$5.00
Copying of Public Record	\$0.10 per page

Car/Booking/Other Video (VHS or Digital) or Audio Recordings shall be charged at actual cost. Actual cost shall be defined as the time spent on the specific recording plus the cost of the media.

SECTION FIVE. The following **Water and Pollution Control Fees** are hereby adopted or adjusted effective July 1, 2010, and codified as **Appendix Q:**

WATER AND POLLUTION CONTROL FEES & CHARGES

Water Division

Bulk Water Service	\$.62/100 gallons
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Water Meter Division *

Meter & Setting Fees - Disc Style	
5/8" or 5/8 " x 3/4" disc	\$185.00
3/4" disc	\$195.00
1" disc	\$225.00
1 1/2" disc	\$545.00
Meter & Setting Fees - Compound Style	
2"	\$1,715.00
3"	\$2,520.00
4"	\$3,240.00
6"	\$4,405.00
Meter & Setting Fees - Turbo Style	
1 1/2"	\$605.00
2"	\$1,120.00
3"	\$1,775.00
4"	\$2,495.00
6"	\$3,605.00
Meter & Setting Fees - Misc. Meters	
Larger than 4" or alternative styles	
- to be determined when ordered	
Hydrant Meter**	\$200.00
Frozen/damaged meter	
Construction Meter	\$215.00 + repairs/replacement

Meters 1-1/2" and larger	\$230.00 + repairs/replacement
Meters 1" and smaller	\$60.00 trip fee + Depreciated Value

Depreciated Value is a straight line depreciation of the Meter and Setting Fees above, based on length of time meter has been in service.

< 1 year	100%
< 2 years	90%
< 3 years	80%
< 4 years	70%
< 5 years	60%
< 6 years	50%
< 7 years	40%
< 8 years	30%
< 9 years	20%
<10 years	10%
>10 years	\$0

Unauthorized use of water	\$137.50/occurrence
Unmetered use of water	\$1.82/day + \$12.10/month
Resetting fee for unauthorized meter removal	\$ 60.00
Customer requested meter test fee	\$110.00
Service or meter disconnect or reconnect fee	\$ 60.00/trip

* Meter setting fees above include two service trips (one to set the temporary/construction meter, and one to set the permanent meter). A fee of \$60.00 will be charged for additional trips due to unexposed or inoperable curb boxes, incomplete remote wire installations, or other circumstances where the meter installation cannot be completed.

** Hydrant meter fees include the cost to install and remove the meter. Requests to move the meter to a new location will be charged one-half of the hydrant meter fee. Consumption will be billed at the "Irrigation and Yard Water" rate. For usage that covers more than 30 days, the block sizes will be adjusted accordingly.

WPC Division

Waste Hauler Fee - Ames locations*

Domestic/Residential Waste	\$34.75/load + \$24.25/100 gallons (\$48.98/cubic yard)
Restaurant Grease Traps	\$34.75/load + \$20.60/100 gallons (\$41.61/cubic yard)
Non-Domestic Waste	\$34.75/load + unit rate to be determined

* Non-Ames location surcharge	15%
Unauthorized Sewer Use	\$136.25/occurrence
Unmetered Sewer Use	\$1.75/day + \$12.00/month

High-Strength Surcharge Rates

<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Surcharge Rate</u>
Oxygen Demand	
CBOD ₅	\$0.31/lb.
COD	\$0.12/lb.
Nitrogen	
NH ₃ -N	\$1.12/lb.
TKN	\$0.72/lb.
Solids	
TSS	\$0.47/lb.

SECTION SIX. The following **Electric Department Fees** are hereby adopted or adjusted effective July 1, 2010, and codified as **Appendix R:**

ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION

Temporary service	
(1 phase)	\$42.00
(3 phase)	\$68.25
Requested work	varies
Pole Attachment Fee	\$13.05/pole/year

ELECTRIC METER

Customer Requested Meter Test Fee	
Within Utility Board limits (98% through 102%)	\$12.00
Outside Utility Board limits	Free

SECTION SEVEN. The following **Plumbing, Mechanical, Electric and Building Permit Fees** are hereby adopted or adjusted effective July 1, 2010, and codified as **Appendix U:**

Plumbing Permit Fee Schedule

<u>Job</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Basic Fee - (In addition to below fees)	
For new construction, additions, or alterations to multi-family, commercial and industrial	\$50.00
Basic Fee - (In addition to below fees)	
For existing 1 and 2 family dwelling additions and alterations	\$50.00
Building Sewer, new or renewal	\$6.00
Water service, new or renewal	\$6.00
Combined water & sewer, one ditch	\$9.50
Plumbing fixture, trap or appurtenance	\$2.50
*(including water, drainage, piping and backflow protection therefor)	
Building storm sewer	\$5.00 ea.
Storm sewer opening	\$3.75 ea.
Reinspection of defective work	\$50.00
Abandon sewer and water	\$7.25
Gas piping system, each outlet	\$3.75
Water heater and/or vent	\$2.50
Rainwater systems, per drain (inside building)	\$2.50
Industrial waste per-treatment interceptor, including its trap and vent, excepting kitchen type grease interceptors functioning as fixture traps	\$2.50
Installation, alteration or repair of water piping and/or water treating equipment	\$2.50
Repair or alteration of drainage or vent piping	\$2.50
Lawn sprinkler system on any one meter, including backflow protection devices therefor	\$2.50
Vacuum breakers or backflow protective devices on tanks, vats, etc. or for installation on unprotected plumbing fixtures, including necessary water piping, each	\$2.50

*Appurtenance shall include any device or appliance requiring water or waste.

The minimum plumbing permit fee is \$50.00.

Mechanical Permits

<u>Job</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Basic Fee - (In addition to below fees)	
For new construction, multi-family, commercial additions and alterations	\$50.00
Basic Fee - (In addition to below fees)	
For existing 1 and 2 family dwelling additions and alterations	\$50.00
For the installation or relocation of each forced-air or gravity-type furnace or burner, including ducts and vents attached to such appliance, up to and including 100,000 Btu/h	\$11.00
For the installation or relocation of each forced-air or gravity-type furnace or burner, including ducts and vents attached to such appliance over 100,000 Btu/h	\$11.00
For the installation or relocation of each floor furnace, including vent	\$11.00
For the installation or relocation of each suspended heater, recessed wall heater or floor-mounted unit heat	\$11.00
For the installation, relocation or replacement of each appliance vent installed	\$5.50
For the installation or relocation of each boiler or compressor to and including three horsepower, or each absorption system to and including 100,000 Btu/h	\$11.00
For each air-handling unit to and including 10,000 cubic feet per minute, including ducts attached thereto	\$8.00
For each air-handling unit over 10,000 cfm	\$14.00
For each gas-piping system - each outlet	\$3.75
Reinspection	\$50.00

The minimum mechanical permit fee is \$50.00.

Electrical Permit Fee Schedule

<u>Description of Work</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Basic Fee - (In addition to below fees)	
For multi-family, commercial, industrial, new construction, additions or alterations	\$50.00
For existing 1 and 2 family dwelling additions or alterations	\$50.00
Minimum fee (all new construction and alterations to other than single and two-family dwellings)	
New single family dwelling	\$75.00
Two family dwelling	\$115.00
Multiple family, commercial, industrial, follow schedule *(include additions or alterations to above)	
Unit Fee Schedule	
Meters, each meter	\$5.50 ea.
Circuits, each circuit	\$2.25 ea.
Openings, includes outlets, switches & receptacles	\$2.00 ea.
Fixed Appliances	
Range	\$5.50 ea.
Dryer	\$5.50 ea.
Dishwasher	\$5.50 ea.
Disposal	\$5.50 ea.
Furnace	\$5.50 ea.
Air Conditioner	\$5.50 ea.
Unit Heater	\$5.50 ea.
Water Heater	\$5.50 ea.
Electric Space Heater	\$5.50 ea.
Other	\$5.50 ea.
Fixtures	\$2.00 ea.
Motors (exclusive of circuits)	\$2.00 ea.
Reinspection	\$50.00

The minimum electrical permit fee will be \$50.00

Other Inspections and Fees

Inspections outside of normal business hours	\$75.00
Reinspection fee	\$50.00
Inspections for which no fee is specifically indicated	\$50.00
Additional plan review required by changes, additions or revisions to approved plans	\$75.00
Administrative fee to cancel a permit	\$50.00

Signs

Non-Illuminated	\$60.00
Illuminated	\$85.00

Adopted this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Diane R. Voss, City Clerk

Ann H. Campbell, Mayor