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**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
WALLA WALLA COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

ORDINANCE NO. 373

APPROVING A REQUEST BY WALLA WALLA COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT TO AMEND TITLE 3 OF THE WALLA WALLA COUNTY CODE TO INCLUDE A PUBLIC WORKS FEE SCHEDULE, RESULTING IN A NEW CHAPTER 3.22.

Whereas, Walla Walla County has conducted a review of fees throughout Washington State for processing various Public Works permits, plat reviews, reviewing construction plans and specifications, construction inspection and other public works activities;

Whereas, Walla Walla County has studied the costs of processing such applications and providing related services;

Whereas, it is the desire of Walla Walla County to charge fees to partially offset the actual costs to the County of processing such applications and providing related services;

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Walla Walla County Board of County Commissioners that:

Section I. The Board of County Commissioners Makes the Following Findings of Fact:

1. The Public Works fee schedule is based on the costs of processing various permits, plat reviews, reviewing construction plans and specifications, construction inspection and other public works activities and was established by studying the cost of providing such reviews and inspection services.
2. The Board of County Commissioners held a workshop open to the public on the Title 3 amendments on July 21, 2009.
3. Notices of a Public Hearing were published in the Waitsburg Times on September 3 and 10, 2009. Notices of a Public Hearing were published in the Tri-City Herald and the Walla Walla Union Bulletin on September 4 and 11, 2009.
4. The Board of County Commissioners held a public hearing on September 15, 2009 for the purpose of receiving testimony on the proposed revisions.

Section II. The Board of County Commissioners Makes the Following Conclusions of Law:

1. The County has reviewed and evaluated comments received from the public.



2. The fees established by the Public Works Fee Schedule are fair and commensurate with the services provided, and are within the range of fees charged by other Washington jurisdictions.

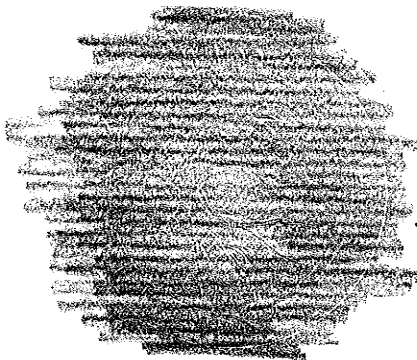
Section III. Amendments to Walla Walla County Code Title 3. The amendments to Walla Walla County Code Title 3, resulting in Chapter 3.22, Public Works Fee Schedule, are **adopted** as presented to the Board of County Commissioners on this date as attached in Exhibit A.

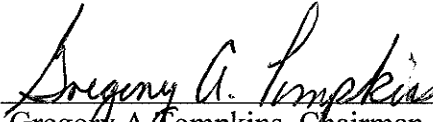
Section IV. Effective Date and Savings. This ordinance is effective as of the date of signing.

Section V. If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining parts of this ordinance.

Section VI. This ordinance will be published by an approved summary consisting of the title.

PASSED by the Walla Walla County Board of County Commissioners in regular session at Walla Walla, Washington, then signed by its membership and attested by its Clerk in authorization of such passage this 2nd day of November, 2009.

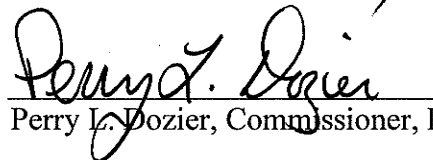




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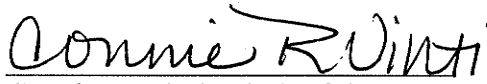
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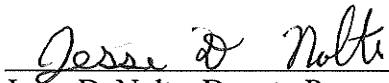
Constituting the Board of County Commissioners of Walla Walla County, Washington

Attest:



Connie R. Vinti, Clerk of the Board

Approved as to form



Jesse D. Nolte, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney



EXHIBIT A

Chapter 3.22 PUBLIC WORKS FEE SCHEDULE

3.22.010 Applicability.

3.22.020 Refunds.

3.22.030 Transcription costs.

3.22.040 Action.

3.22.060 Posting.

3.22.070 Severability.

3.22.010 Applicability.

The Public Works Department shall require fees in the amount established below for the following applications:

<u>Type of Work or Activity</u>	<u>Form Required</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Preliminary Plat Review	Preliminary Plat Review	\$100 + \$1 per lot
Construction Plan Review/Approval	Construction Plan Review	\$200 + \$1.50 per lot
Road Construction Inspection	Road Construction Permit	\$1000 + \$25 per lot
Construct new or upgrade existing access (driveway) for connection to County Road	Access Permit	\$50 Gravel \$75 Asphalt \$100 Concrete
Variance Request	Request for Variance	\$50
Addressing	Addressing Permit	\$100 New \$25 Replace
Road Name Signs, stop signs, etc.	Road Sign Agreement	\$150 minimum
Franchise for public and private utilities located within County Road Right of Way	Franchise	\$200 + recording fee



Utility installation or repair within County Road Right of Way	Right of Way Permit	\$75 Bore \$150 Open Cut
Allowing extended use of county roads for hauling materials	Haul Route Agreement	\$100
Utilization of County Road Right of Way for bicycle races, fun runs, walks, etc.	Special Events Permit	\$0 if 45 days in advance \$20 if not
Oversize or overweight vehicle permit	Overlegal Vehicle Permit	\$0 Oversize \$20 Overweight
Vacation of County Road Right of Way	Request to Vacate County Road Right of Way	\$600
County Road Name Change	Request to Change Road Name	\$50
Work within or access to any part of Mill Creek Channel	Mill Creek Channel Permit	\$35

3.22.020 Refunds.

All fees are nonrefundable except in cases when the processing of an application was terminated prior to the incurring of substantial administrative expenses. Refunds shall be made at the direction of the Director of Public Works.

3.22.030 Transcription costs.

If a petition for review in Superior Court is made from any decision involving the application types listed in Section 3.22.010, the cost of transcription of all records ordered certified by a court for review shall be borne by the appellant.

3.22.040 Action.

No action shall be taken until fees have been paid in full.

3.22.060 Posting.

The schedule of fees shall be posted in the office of the Director of Public Works and may be altered or amended only by the Board of County Commissioners.

3.22.070 Severability.

If any provision of this chapter or its application, any person or legal entity or circumstances, is held invalid, the remainder of the chapter or application of the provisions to other persons or legal entities or circumstances shall not be affected.

