

# Building Services Notice

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## 2018 Building Permit Fees

**Attention:** Architects, contractors, engineers, home builders

May 16, 2018

On May 7, 2018, the Committee of the Whole of City Council supported proposed changes to the building permit fee schedule. City Council is scheduled to approve the proposed fee schedule at their May 28, 2018 meeting.

Please find attached the 2018 building permit fees, which is applicable to all building permit applications **submitted after May 31, 2018**. The new fee schedule will be available online at [guelph.ca/building](http://guelph.ca/building) on June 1, 2018.

### Background

In 2010, City Council approved the automatic increase of building permit fees to be equal to the increase to the City of Guelph's tax-supported operating budget (2.45% in 2018) plus 20 percent (0.49%) of the increase, which has resulted in a 2.94% increase to fees in 2018. This formula has been used to determine annual fee increases since 2010 when the Building Stabilization Reserve Fund is below its upper limit.

New fees come into effect on June 1 of each year to allow time for staff to compare the year-end Building Stabilization Reserve Fund balance to its established upper limit, advertise the required public notice and inform industry partners.

### For more information

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