



STATE OF WASHINGTON

STATE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL

1500 Jefferson Street SE • P.O. Box 41449 • Olympia, Washington 98504
(360) 407-9277 • fax (360) 586-9088 • e-mail sbcc@des.wa.gov • www.sbcc.wa.gov

75

April 23, 2018

JAMES TINNER
Building Official
CITY OF BELLINGHAM
210 LOTTIE ST
BELLINGHAM WA 98225-4089

RE: State Building Code Council Building Permit Fee Increase

In response to feedback I received on a letter I sent you on April 12, 2018, I am providing amended guidance relating to the requirement of E2SHB 1622 which modified the fees for the State Building Code Council (SBCC) for building permits. Please note that these fees apply only to building permits and residential units. Please disregard my April 12, 2018 letter.

Prior to July 1, 2018 the SBCC fees are as follows:

- \$4.50 fee to the SBCC for each building permit plus an additional surcharge of \$2.00 for each residential unit after the first unit.

Effective July 1, 2018 the SBCC fees will be as follows:

- Residential building permits: \$6.50 fee to the SBCC for each building permit, plus an additional surcharge of \$2.00 for each residential unit after the first unit.
- Commercial building permits: \$25.00 fee to the SBCC for each building permit, plus an additional surcharge of \$2.00 for each residential unit after the first unit.

E2SHB 1622 provides the following definitions:

- Residential building permit – means a building permit issued by a city or a county to construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, demolish, or change the occupancy of any building containing only dwelling units used for independent living of one or more persons including permanent provisions for living, sleeping, eating, cooking, and sanitation, and structures accessory to dwelling units such as detached garages and storage buildings.
- Commercial building permit – means a building permit issued by a city or a county to construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, demolish, or change the occupancy of any building not covered by a residential building permit.

If you have any questions please give me a call or drop me an e-mail. Please accept my apology for any confusion my April 12, 2018 letter caused.

Sincerely,

Richard Brown, PhD, Managing Director
State Building Code Council
richard.brown@DES.WA.GOV