



TO: Mayor Linda Gorton
Urban County Council

FROM: Jim Duncan, Director
Division of Planning

DATE: 2/3/2020

SUBJECT: Proposed Filing Fee Schedule Increase

Request

The Division of Planning requests an increase in six Development Application filing fees by \$50 each in response to an increase in recording fees by the Fayette County Clerk that went into effect January 1.

Purpose of Request

The Division of Planning recommends increasing six Development Application fees by \$50 to address the increased fees charged by the Fayette County Clerk to record these applications. Currently, Planning escrows a portion of the application fee and pays it to the County Clerk when the applications are recorded. The only funds in this escrow account are the recording fees. Until recently, Planning paid \$16 for each application from the escrow account to the County Clerk. In order to address the shortfall and better differentiate the recording fee, the Division of Planning recommends increasing the application fee by the new recording amount charged by the County Clerk. The County Clerk increased its recording fees to \$50 effective January 1, 2020. The Division of Planning recommends increasing the application fees as shown on the attached table.

Project Cost in FY20 and Future Budget Years

The \$50 recording fee will be paid entirely to the Fayette County Clerk.

Are Funds Budgeted

This increase is not budgeted. If the application fees are not increased, the Division of Planning may need to amend its budget in order to cover the shortfall in the escrow account created by the new fees.

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