



Legislation Text

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TITLE:

Draft Fee Reduction Policy for Non-profits on Development, Zoning and Building Permits

PURPOSE: The purpose of this item is for the board to consider a policy granting non-profits a 10% reduction in fees on zoning, development review, and construction permitting cost. This is a draft for discussion purposes only and adoption is not requested at this time.

DEPARTMENT: Economic and Community Development

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INFORMATION: The Board of Aldermen on occasion have been asked to consider waiving certain fees for non-profits. The Board directed staff to look into the feasibility of waiving fees. Staff researched other communities in the state and found that there was no broad base policy for waiving fees. However, a point based incentive program with performance based measures were commonly used for fee rebates or reductions than waivers of fees.

Attached is a proposed policy that would allow non-profits to submit a request for Board of Aldermen consideration to reduce zoning, development and building permitting fees by 10%. The policy spells out specifically who qualifies for the fee reduction and the requirements for non-profits to qualify.

FISCAL & STAFF IMPACT: Will vary based on request from non-profits.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends the Board discuss the draft policy.