

Austin County Permitting & Engineering Fee Schedule

Adopted in the Austin County Commissioners Court on 7/28/2025



Residential Single Family Building and Driveway Permit Fees

Type of Improvement	Flood Zone	Non-Flood Zone
Residential	\$200 Permit Fee + (.05) cents per sq. ft. of enclosed area (Home & Garage only)	\$100 Permit Fee
Other Appurtenant Structures: Well Houses, Storage Facilities, Barns, Garages, etc.	\$200 Permit Fee + (.05) cents per sq. ft. of enclosed area	\$100 Permit Fee (200 Sq. Ft. and Over)
Fill & Lot Grading Permit Only*	\$200 Permit Fee + \$50 Inspection fee	N/A (unless the disturbance is greater than .5acre) \$100 Permit Fee + \$50 Inspection fee
Culvert	\$200 Permit Fee + \$50 Inspection Fee <i>(County Does Not Install)</i>	\$200 Permit Fee + \$50 Inspection Fee <i>(County Does Not Install)</i>

* Does not include mass grading plans. For mass grading plan review, see Engineering Plan Review Fees.

** All culvert pipe is to be provided by the owner/applicant.

Non-Residential or Commercial Building Permit Fees

Type of Improvement	Flood Zone*	Non-Flood Zone
Development Permits for Projects < \$1M	\$1,000 Permit Fee + \$200 Inspection Fee + (.10) cents per sq. ft. of enclosed area	\$1,000 Permit Fee + \$200 Inspection Fee
Development Permits for Projects \$1M to \$5M	\$2,500 Permit Fee + \$500 Inspection Fee + (.10) cents per sq. ft. of enclosed area	\$2,500 Permit Fee + \$500 Inspection Fee
Development Permits for Projects > \$5M	\$5,000 Permit Fee + \$500 Inspection Fee + (.10) cents per sq. ft. of enclosed area	\$5,000 Permit Fee + \$500 Inspection Fee
Development Permits for Projects > \$10M	\$10,000 Permit Fee + \$1,000 Inspection Fee + (.10) cents per sq. ft. of enclosed area	\$10,000 Permit Fee + \$1,000 Inspection Fee
Fill & Lot Grading Permit Only*	\$500	\$500
Culvert	\$500 Permit Fee + \$100 Inspection Fee <i>(County Does Not Install)</i>	\$500 Permit Fee + \$100 Inspection Fee <i>(County Does Not Install)</i>

* Does not include mass grading plans. For mass grading plan review, see Engineering Plan Review Fees.

Engineering Plan Review Fees**

Type of Review	Fee
Drainage Impact Analysis, Traffic Impact Analysis, CLOMR/LOMR, or Mass Grading Plan ...ect	\$1500 + (Additional Fee If Outside Review Is Required)**
General Plan (<= 50 acres)	\$2,000
General Plan (> 50 acres)	\$2,000 + \$25/ac (each acre over 50)
Preliminary, Final, Replat or Amending Plat (<= 50 Lots)	\$3,000
Preliminary, Final, Replat or Amending Plat (> 50 Lots)	\$3,000 + \$50/lot (each lot over 50)
Infrastructure Development Plan***	\$1500 + \$50/space
Single Family Residential Design Plans	\$2,000 + \$25/lot
Commercial/Industrial Civil Design Plans (<2 acres)	\$5,000
Commercial/Industrial Civil Design Plans (≥2 acres)	\$5,000 + \$75/ac
Plan Resubmittal*	\$500

* Review fees include initial submittal and one resubmittal. Additional submittals are subject to a resubmittal fee as noted above.

** The applicant is responsible for all outside engineering review costs. Review costs will be quoted before initial review and will be due prior to plan/document approval.

*** Applies to RV parks and rental communities.

Other Fees

Item	Fee
Variance Request (Single Family Residential; One-time division)	\$100
Variance Request (Non-Single Family Residential/Commercial, Platting)	\$1,000
Plat Cancellations	\$200 + \$20/lot
Return Check Fee	\$30
Re-Inspection Fee (single-family residential)	\$100.00
Re-Inspection Fee	\$100.00
911 Address sign charge (each)	\$20.00
Private Roadway Sign (each)	\$40.00
Fine for not obtaining a permit	The greater of: 3 times the permit amount or \$25.00/day (every day without a permit is a separate violation)
Other charges/fines incurred by the County in enforcing County Regulations	
	\$0.55 per mile / \$50.00 per hour

On-Site Sewage Facility Program Fee Schedule ****

Type of Improvement	One non-single-family residence or Commercial	One single-family residence
Conventional System/Low Pressure Dosing System/ Gravelless Pipe System/ Mound System/ Evapotranspirative System	\$475.00	\$275.00
Aerobic (All Types)	\$575.00	\$375.00
Design resubmittal fee	\$75.00 System designs returned after initial application due to incomplete, incorrect, or noncompliant information. Fee applies each time design is returned.	\$75.00 System designs returned after initial application due to incomplete, incorrect, or noncompliant information. Fee applies each time design is returned.
Aerobic Systems: Maintenance Provider administrative penalty fee for late inspection (per contract)	\$25.00	\$25.00
Aerobic Systems: Homeowner administrative penalty fee for late Contract (per contract)	\$25.00	\$25.00
Reinspection Fee	\$135.00	\$135.00
System Minor Repairs	\$160.00	\$160.00
System Major repairs	\$475.00	\$275.00
Tank Inspection	\$50	\$50

***** See official Fee schedule adopted on 1-10-11 Commissioners Court Order 11-11 for further description*

Pipeline & Utility in ROW

Type of Improvement	Fee
Pipeline Crossing County Road (each crossing)	\$3300.00
Utility in ROW Review (Telecommunications...ect).see depth map	\$100.00

Fees in existing forms and regulations are being updated to reflect the amounts above. This Fee Schedule shall control.