Waiving of Application Fees



Planning & Development Services Policy M7

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Policy Purpose

To provide Administration with a framework and authority to waive application fees for Planning and Development Applications related to non-profit organizations, non-government organizations, internal County Departments and other bodies or organizations from time to time as the case may be.

Policy Statement

The County will evaluate requests to waive Planning and Development Application fees related to non-profit organizations, non-governmental organizations, internal County departments and other bodies on a per case basis without bias or precedent.

Definitions

"Planning and Development Application" means an application for approval of one of the following:

- Development Permit
- Subdivision
- Subdivision Endorsement
- Subdivision Endorsement Time Extension
- Land Use Bylaw Amendment
- Area Structure Plan
- Statutory Plan Amendment
- Safety Codes Permits including the following disciplines:
 - o Building
 - \circ Electrical
 - \circ Plumbing
 - o Gas
 - Private Sewage Treatment
- Road Closure
- Municipal Reserve Designation Removal
- Real Property Report Compliance Certificate

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- Land Leases and Licence Applications, including new applications, renewals, and advertising if required
- Road Allowance Leases and Licence Fees
- Or others from time as the case may be.

Policy Guidelines

- 1. The Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) and / or Director of Planning & Development Services may authorize that the fees associated with a Planning and Development Application are to be waived on receipt of a written request from an applicant for the same.
- 2. The CAO and Director of Planning & Development Services shall be authorized to waive Planning and Development Application fees up to a value consistent with the signing approval limits outlined within Policy I9 Signing & Approving Authority.
- 3. Sponsorship requests related to Planning and Development Application fees shall be included for consideration and authority under this policy. For such requests recipients must publicly recognize the contributions that the County made to their project or service.
- 4. The Director of Planning & Development Services will report by way of list on the number and amount of Planning and Development Application fees waived through regular monthly reporting to the CAO and County Council.

Attachments

N/A

References

Legal Authorities	Municipal Government Act
	Alberta Safety Codes Act and Regulations
Related Plans,	Policy B1 – Policy Development
Bylaws, Policies, Etc.	Policy I9 – Signing and Approving Authority
	Schedule of Fees, Rates and Charges Bylaw
	Land Use Bylaw
Other	Quality Management Plan

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