

RESOLUTION NO. 1269

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLUE LAKE REPLACING THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT SCHEDULE OF FEES AND ESTABLISHING OTHER MISCELLANEOUS BUILDING RELATED CHARGES FROM ORDINANCE NO. 501.

WHEREAS, the City of Blue Lake provides building, permitting, inspection, and related administrative services to ensure compliance with applicable codes and to protect the public health, safety, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the City of Blue Lake last updated the Building Department Fee Schedule in 2011 through Ordinance No. 501 and now desires to establish an updated schedule of fees, deposits, and charges for building services and related administrative functions by resolution; and

WHEREAS, Government Code Section 66014 authorizes local agencies to impose fees to recover the reasonable costs of providing services; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed and considered all information presented regarding the proposed fees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Blue Lake:

Section 1: Fee Schedule.

The City Council hereby adopts the Building Department Fee Schedule, attached hereto as Appendix A and incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2: Cost Recovery & Deposits.

Each of the fees and charges listed in Appendix A is considered to be an initial deposit. If an application requires extraordinary assistance from city staff, city manager, city engineer, city planner, and city attorney (beyond standard review), the city manager is authorized to collect additional funds based upon an "estimate of actual costs". The city manager is authorized to require submittal of these funds at the initial application stage and / or later after review by any of the city officials listed above. An application shall not be processed or continued to be processed until the initial fee, the initial deposit, or subsequent deposit of funds is made to the satisfaction of the city manager.

The City Manager is hereby authorized to collect a ten percent (10%) general overhead charge in addition to all its actual costs.

In the event a project costs more than the deposit, the City is entitled to collect, not only all costs (engineer, planner, attorney, City staff, etc.), but in addition, a general overhead charge of ten percent (10%). Any funds not applied towards City costs or the ten percent (10%) general overhead cost shall be returned to the applicant within thirty (30) days of project completion.

Section 3: Unspecified Fees.

The fees for any other services nonspecifically outlined in Appendix A shall be based upon an estimate prepared by the City Manager. The City Manager is authorized to collect said deposit. If the deposit exceeds "final" actual costs which includes the ten percent (10%) general overhead costs, the balance shall be refunded by the City within thirty (30) days of project completion.

Section 4: Amendments.

The City Council may amend the fee schedule from time to time by Resolution.

Section 5: Severability.

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Resolution is for any reason to be held invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the Resolution.

Section 6: Effective Date.

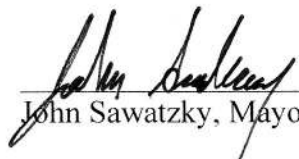
This resolution shall take effect on August 1, 2026.

INTRODUCED, PASSED AND ADOPTED this 28th day of July 2026 by the following vote:

AYES: *Sawatzky, Scafani, Napier, Lewis-Wess, Bayles*

NAYS: *N/A*

ABSENT: *N/A*


John Sawatzky, Mayor

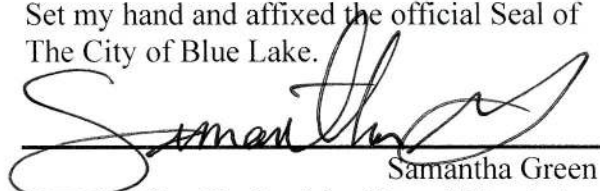
Attest:


Samantha Green, City Clerk

CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

I, Samantha Green, City Clerk of the City of Blue Lake, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 1269 passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Blue Lake held on the 28th of July, 2026.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto
Set my hand and affixed the official Seal of
The City of Blue Lake.


Samantha Green
City Clerk of the City of Blue Lake,
County of Humboldt, State of California

Appendix A
Building Department Schedule of Fees
Resolution 1269
Effective August 1, 2026

BUILDING PERMIT AND PLAN CHECK FEES

TOTAL VALUATION	FEE
Issuance	\$33.48
\$1 to \$500	\$32.78
\$501 to \$2,000	\$32.78 for the first \$500 plus \$4.25 for each additional \$100 or fraction thereof, too and including \$2,000
\$2,001 to \$25,000	\$96.60 for the first \$2,000 plus \$19.53 for each additional \$1,000 or fraction thereof, to and including \$25,000
\$25,001 to \$50,000	\$545.79 for the first \$25,000 plus \$14.00 for each additional \$1,000 or fraction thereof, to and including \$50,000
\$50,001 to \$100,000	\$898.03 for the first \$50,000 plus \$9.76 for each additional \$1,000 or fraction thereof, to and including \$100,000
\$100,001 to \$500,000	\$1386.28 for the first \$100,000 plus \$7.81 for each additional \$1,000 or fraction thereof, to and including \$500,000
\$501,000 to \$1,000,000	\$4511.08 for the first \$500,000 plus \$6.62 for each additional \$1,000 or fraction thereof, to and including \$1,000,000
\$1,000,000 and up	\$7824.20 for the first \$1,000,000 plus \$5.09 for each additional \$1,000,000 or fraction thereof
Plan Check Fee Shall be 65% of the Building Permit Fee as Shown above	

GRADING PERMIT AND PLAN CHECK FEES

50 cubic yards (38.2 m3)	
For the first 50 cubic yards (38.2 m3) or less	\$52.31
*51 – 1,000 (40-764.6 M3)	
For the first 100 cubic yards (76.5 m3)	\$78.46
For each additional 100 cubic yards (76.5 m3)	Plus \$36.62
*1,001 to 10,000 cubic yards (765.3 to 7,645.5 m3)	
For the first 1,000 cubic yards (764.6 m3)	\$408.03

For each additional 1,000 cubic yards (764.5 m3) or fraction thereof	Plus \$31.38
*10,001 to 100,000 cubic yards (7,646.3 to 76,455 m3)	
For the first 10,000 cubic yards (7,645.5 m3) or fraction thereof	\$690.52
For each additional 10,000 cubic yards (7645.5 m3) or fraction thereof	Plus \$139.84
*100,001 cubic yards (76,456 m3 or more)	
For the first 100,000 cubic yards (76,455 m3)	\$1,949.86
For each additional 10,000 cubic yards (7645.5 m3) or fraction thereof	Plus \$77.07
*Grading Plan Check Fee Shall be 65% of Grading Permit Fee as Shown	

MISCELLANEOUS BUILDING INSPECTION FEES

Service	Fee
Site	\$70.00
Health and Safety	\$120.00
Agricultural Exemption – Processing Fee	\$120.00
Building Permits	See Page 1
Plan Check	See Page 1
Residential Energy Plan Check (amount added to original plan check fee)	\$85.00
Commercial Energy Plan Check (amount added to plan check fee)	\$170.00
Erosion and Sediment Control Inspection (small project)	\$130.00
Erosion and Sediment Control Inspection (designed)	\$177.00
Seismic Fee- Required by State Law to fund seismic mapping and strong motion instrumentation programs	See State Requirements https://www.conservation.ca.gov/cgs/Documents/program-smi/SMIP_Fee_Schedule.pdf
California Building Standard Commission Fee- Required by State Law for expenditures to carry out provisions of State Building Standards Law and provisions of State Housing Law relating to building standards	See State Requirements https://www.dgs.ca.gov/BSC/BSASRF---The-Building-Permit-Fee
Soils Report Compliance Fee	\$70
HOC Form 433A – Processing and Filing	\$130.00
Refunds: The Building Official may authorize the refund of permit and plan check fees in accordance with the provisions of the Building Codes	No Refund Less Than \$70

Code Enforcement Assessment	**Cost Recovery
Special Services	Fee
Special Service Fees are charged for administrative services for special notifications investigations, examinations, or evaluations not otherwise provided for in the fee schedule or not generally provided when processing projects and for special legislative services for private projects	**Cost Recovery
Other Inspections and Fees	Fee
1. Inspections for which no fee is specifically indicated (minimum charge ½ hour)	\$70/hour
2. Additional plan review required by changes, additions	
3. For use of outside consultants for plan checking and inspections, or both	**Cost Recovery
** Resolution 1269 Section 2. Cost Recovery: Each of the fees and charges listed in Appendix A is considered to be an initial deposit. If an application requires extraordinary assistance from city staff, city manager, city engineer, city planner, and city attorney (beyond standard review), the city manager is authorized to collect additional funds based upon an "estimate of actual costs". The city manager is authorized to require submittal of these funds at the initial application stage and / or later after review by any of the city officials listed above. An application shall not be processed or continued to be processed until the initial fee, the initial deposit, or subsequent deposit of funds is made to the satisfaction of the city manager. The City Manager is hereby authorized to collect a ten percent (10%) general overhead charge in addition to all its actual costs. In the event a project costs more than the deposit, the City is entitled to collect, not only all costs (engineer, planner, attorney, City staff, etc.), but in addition, a general overhead charge of ten percent (10%). Any funds not applied towards City costs or the ten percent (10%) general overhead cost shall be returned to the applicant within thirty (30) days of project completion.	