

Legislation Text

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Consider A **Resolution Temporarily Suspending The Collection Of Certain Permit Fees Set Forth In Chapter 31, The Comprehensive Fee Schedule, Section B, Building Inspections, Effective March 3, 2021 through June 11, 2021.**

BACKGROUND:

The City's Comprehensive Fee Schedule Section B establishes user fees for various permits required for completing construction-related projects. Due to the severe winter weather experienced February 14 through February 19, 2021, many Carrollton residents and businesses experienced significant plumbing damage. In an effort to relieve some of the financial impact caused by the storm, staff is recommending a temporary waiver of all leak-related permit fees for residential and commercial customers.

Customers can apply for leak adjustments through the Utility Customer Service. To encourage customers to repair leaks as soon as possible for water conservation efforts, the customer must have the leak repaired within 90 days of the received water bill indicating a leak occurred. Depending on the type of leak, a permit may be required for the repair. Staff suggests the leak-related permit fees be waived for the same 90-day period. Because of the billing cycles set in place, the 90-day period will end for all residents on June 8, 2021. By setting the effective date through Friday, June 11, the City is providing a few days grace period to account for any unforeseen circumstances.

The following permit fees will be included in the waiver

Irrigation	\$4.00 per \$1000.00 valuation (maximum of 75.00)
Plumbing	\$4.00 per \$1,000.00 valuation (maximum \$75.00)

STAFF RECOMMENDATION/ACTION DESIRED:

Staff recommends Council approve the resolution suspending the collection of certain permit fees under Chapter 31, the Comprehensive Fee Schedule Section B, effective March 3, 2021 through June 11, 2021.