



City of Philadelphia

City Council
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**BILL NO. 190785
(As Amended, 10/22/19)**

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Councilmember Green

**Referred to the
Committee on Licenses and Inspections**

AN ORDINANCE

Amending Subcode A of Title 4 of The Philadelphia Code (The Philadelphia Administrative Code), to provide for fees for solar panel projects; all under terms and conditions.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 9 of Subcode A of Title 4 of The Philadelphia Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

**TITLE 4. THE PHILADELPHIA BUILDING
CONSTRUCTION AND OCCUPANCY CODE**

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SUBCODE "A" (THE PHILADELPHIA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE)

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**CHAPTER 9
FEES**

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SECTION A-902 BUILDING, FUEL GAS AND MECHANICAL CODE FEES

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A-902.2.1 Constructed area: The permit fee for new construction, additions, alterations and repairs shall be based on the constructed area as follows:

For new construction and additions:

500 square feet or less \$200

Greater than 500 square feet \$200 plus \$58 for each additional 100 square feet or fraction thereof above 500 square feet

Exceptions:

1. For new construction of one- or two-family dwellings:

Each building \$1,050

2. For additions and structures accessory to existing one- and two-family dwellings:

500 square feet or less \$60

Greater than 500 square feet \$60 plus \$45 for each additional 100 square feet or fraction thereof above 500 square feet

3. For modular construction of one- and two-family dwellings pursuant to the Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Authorization Act, Act 192 of 1982, P.L. 676 (35 P.S. §§ 1656.1 – 1656.9) and the Industrialized Housing Act, Act 70 of 1972, P.L. 286 (35 P.S. §§ 1651.1 – 1651.12) respectively, the building permit fee shall be \$450 per building.

4. For construction of industrialized buildings other than one- and two-family dwellings pursuant to the Industrialized Housing Act, Act 70 of 1972, P.L. 286 (35 P.S. §§ 1651.1 - 1651.12) and related rules and regulations, the building permit fee shall be \$900 per building.

5. For initial tenant fit-out of a newly constructed building the fee shall be \$13 per 100 square feet or fraction thereof with a minimum fee of \$150.

6. *For installation of solar collection panels and related support structure per building . . . \$200.*

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A-902.3 Construction value: The total value of the construction, when required on permit applications and when used to determine fees, shall include the value of all material, labor, engineering and/or architectural fees, and the overhead and profit cost inherent in the contract, whether or not any such items are provided at no cost.

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[Exception: If a solar electric system or photovoltaic system is installed, construction costs shall not include the cost of any inverters or solar panels used in the installation of such system.]

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SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall be effective immediately.

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