



## **Ordinance 627**

**An Ordinance amending Chapter 76 of the Code of the Town of Elsmere concerning the waiver of building permit fees.**

**Sponsored By:** Mayor Steve Burg,  
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6<sup>th</sup> District Councilman Brian Hurst.

**First and Second Reading:** March 09, 2017 Council Meeting

**Results:** Tabled 7 In Favor, 0 Opposed

**First and Second Reading:** April 13, 2017 Council Meeting

**Results:** Passed 7 In Favor, 0 Opposed

**Third and Final Reading:** May 11, 2017 Council Meeting

**Results:** Passed 7 In Favor, 0 Opposed

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## **An Ordinance amending Chapter 76 of the Code of the Town of Elsmere concerning the waiver of building permit fees.**

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council wish to reduce the costs of obtaining a building permit for those who qualify for the Town's Senior/Disabled Tax credit, as well as, those who receive the Town's Base Tax Credit.

### **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ELSMERE, AS FOLLOWS:**

That Section 76-17 Annual Waiver during October and May be deleted in its entirety and a new section 76-17 be inserted to read as follows:

#### **§76-17. Waiver of Fees.**

1. Annually during the months of October and May the Town of Elsmere will waive building permit fees for the following home improvements: roofs, siding, driveways, doors, windows and sidewalks. However, repairs made based upon a permit which was issued and had the fees waived during the month of October shall be completed by no later than November 30 of the same year and the repairs made based upon a permit which was issued and had the fees waived during the month of May shall be completed by no later than June 30 of the same year, or the normal building permit fees for these permits shall be assessed.
2. Those residents who receive the Town's Senior/Disabled Tax Credit shall have the costs of any permit requested reduced by 25% of the permits normal costs.
3. Those residents who receive the Town's Base Tax Credit shall not be charged a fee for any permit requested.

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Eric Thompson, Mayor

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Brian Hurst, Secretary

Approved as to form:

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Town Solicitor

## **SYNOPSIS**

This Ordinance allows those residents who receive the receive the Town's Senior/Disabled Tax Credit to have the costs of any permit requested reduced by 25% of the normal costs; and those residents who receive the Town's Base Tax Credit shall not be charged a fee for any permit requested.

## **Fiscal Impact**

The Fiscal impact of this Ordinance was determined by going back 12 months and calculating costs as if this ordinance was effective. During the twelve month period the Town would have billed \$1,355.38 less in fees had the ordinance been in effect and would have incurred \$1,251.34 if fees paid to BIU that would not be covered by the permit fee. Therefore we anticipate that passage of this ordinance would result in the Town losing approximately \$2,606.72 in revenue annually.