

# Services

# Annual Fee Update

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### Council Direction Requested

 Seeking Council Direction to prepare an updated Consolidated Fee Ordinance for adoption on December 5<sup>th</sup>

Provide alternative direction

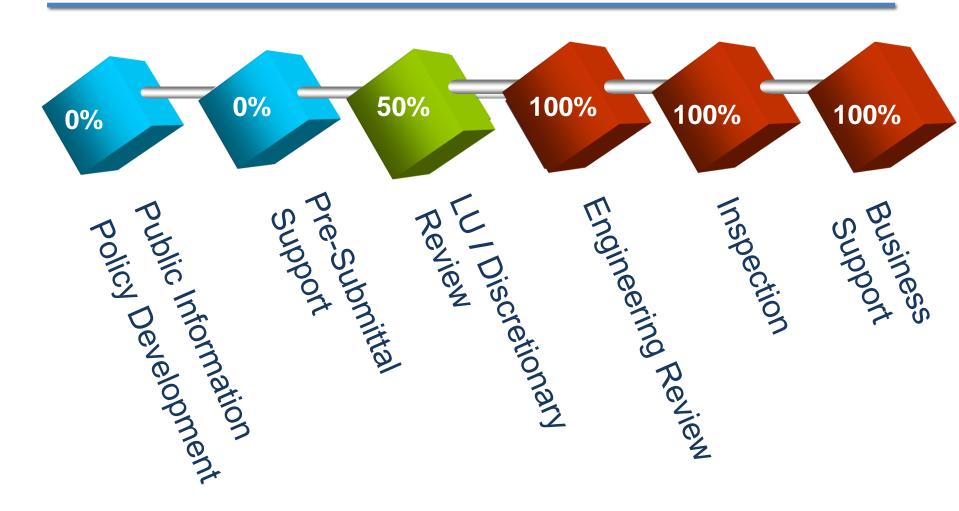
### Development Services Fee Update

- Update hourly rates
- Adjust building review and inspection fees by CPI-W
- Adjust flat rate fees to reflect hourly rate changes
- Maintains alignment with financial policies

### Financial Principles

- Fees should be regionally competitive.
- Permit applicants should pay for the services they receive.
- Fees should be predictable and understandable to customer.
- Funding structure should support DS line of business through economic cycles.

# Cost Recovery Objectives



### Proposed Rate Adjustments

- Normal Business Practice
- Proposed 3.1%-4.3% applies to hourly rates
- Building Permit Fees based on estimated valuation adjust by CPI-W 2.0%
- Total increase in revenue \$455,000

### Proposed Fee Increase Hourly Rates

	Proposed Hourly Rate Adjustments			
	2016	2017	\$	% Change
<b>Function</b>	Adopted	<b>Proposed</b>	variance	in Rate
Land Use review	\$162	\$167	\$5	3.1%
Transportation review & inspection	169	175	\$6	3.6%
Fire review & inspection	148	153	\$5	3.4%
Utilities review and inspection	141	147	\$6	4.3%

### **Example valuation-based fees**

### Single Family Addition \$80,000 valuation, 500 Sq Ft addition

	Total Fees
2016	\$2,628
2017 Proposed	\$2,749
Proposed Change in Fee	\$120

# Tenant Improvement \$80,000 valuation

Proposed Change in Fee	<b>\$52</b>
2017 Proposed	\$2,914
2016	\$2,861
<u>-</u>	Total Fees

### Development Forecast

- Regional and National Economic Data
- Bellevue Trends office vacancy, apartment rental rates, consumer spending
- Historical Trend Data
- Development Pipeline
- Development Community

### 2017-2018 Forecast

### **Major Commercial Activity**

- Several projects progressing to issuance and construction
- Potential for additional projects office, residential
- Majority of new projects focus on residential

#### Residential

- Continued reinvestment
- Interest rate change may have impact

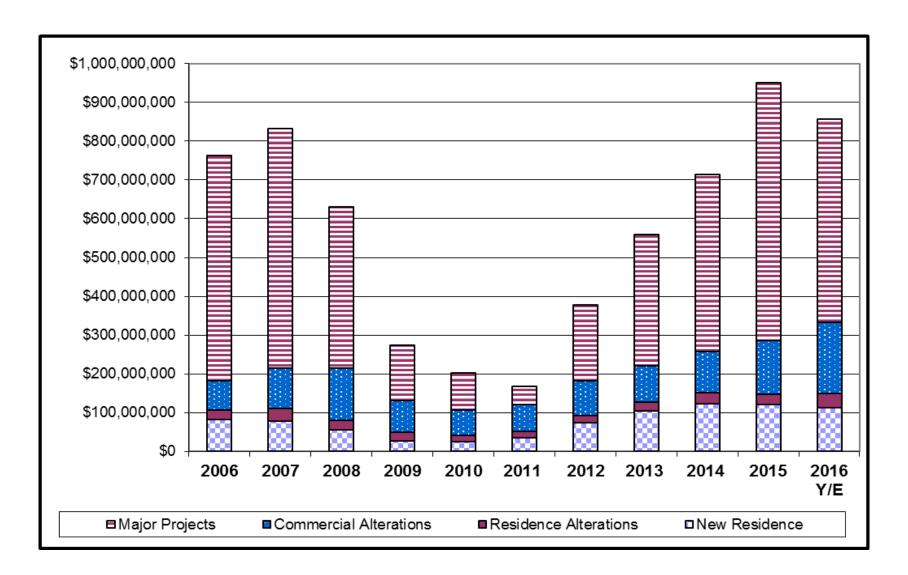
### Tenant Improvement

- Business expansion creates need for space
- New tenant space availability

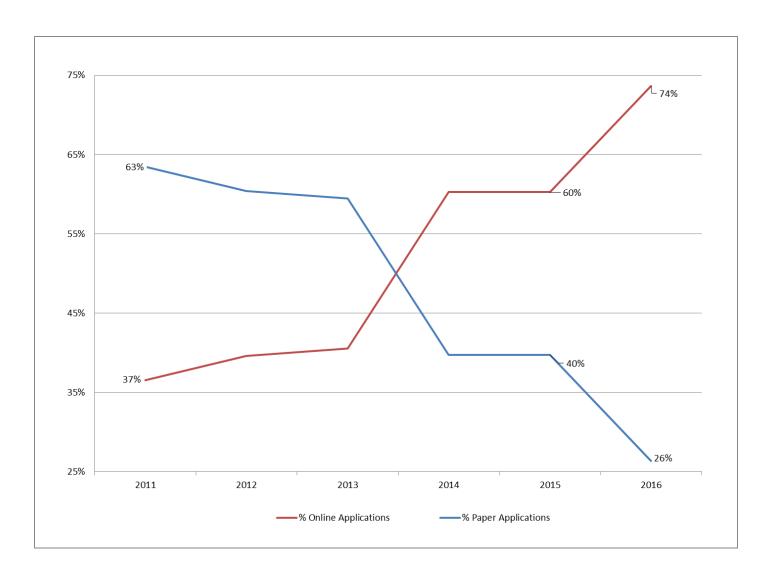
### Other projects

- Eastlink
- Schools
- Transportation/Fire Levy

# Construction valuation at high level



### Online v. Paper Submittal Comparison



### Top Management Issues

- Permit review and inspection are the priority
- Filling vacant positions
- Close monitoring of revenues & expenditures
- Responding to Customer Feedback

# 2017-2018 Budget Proposals

- Review and Inspection 7.15 FTEs
- Policy &Code Development 1.0 FTE
  - Supports Council planning code and development work
  - Responds to Council desire for agility and flexibility
  - Supports Economic Development priorities
- Paperless permitting system improvements

### Next Steps

- Preparation of an updated Consolidated Fee Ordinance for adoption on December 5<sup>th</sup> -<u>Seeking Council Direction Tonight</u>
- Implement new fees on January 1, 2017
- Completion of a comprehensive fee and fiscal management study in 2017