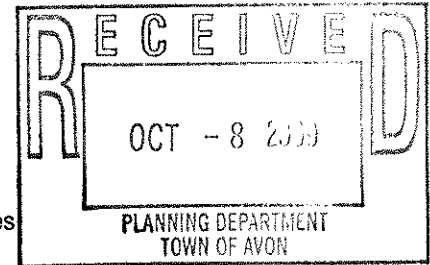


Memo

To: Municipal Land Use Agencies
From: William Evans, Jr., Chief, Bureau of Financial and Support Services
Date: September 30, 2009
Re: Land Use Application Fees – Notice of Increase in Fees



On September 8, 2009 Public Act 09-03 of the June Special Session of the CT General Assembly became law. Section 396 of this law provides:

Section 22a-27j of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (**Effective October 1, 2009**):

(a) Any person, firm or corporation, other than a municipality, making an application for any approval required by chapters 124, 126, 440 and 444 or by regulations adopted pursuant to said chapters shall pay a fee of twenty dollars, in addition to any other fee which may be required, to the municipal agency or legislative body which is authorized to approve the application. On and after July 1, 2004, the fee shall be thirty dollars. **On and after October 1, 2009, the fee shall be sixty dollars. Such municipal agency or legislative body shall collect such fees, retaining two dollars of such fee for administrative costs, and shall pay the remainder of such fees quarterly to the Department of Environmental Protection and the receipts shall be deposited into [an account of the State Treasurer and credited to the Environmental Quality Fund established pursuant to section 22a-27g. The portion of such fund attributable to the fees established by this section shall be used by the Department of Environmental Protection as follows: (1) Nineteen dollars shall be used for the purpose of funding the environmental review teams program of the Bureau of Water Management within said department, the Council on Soil and Water Conservation established pursuant to section 22a-315 and the eight county soil and water conservation districts, and (2) nine dollars shall be deposited into the hazard mitigation and floodplain management account established pursuant to section 22a-27q and used for grants under section 25-68k] the General Fund.**

This letter is a reminder that municipalities must take the appropriate actions necessary to make certain that the proper fees are collected and forwarded to the Department of Environmental Protection. These fees through the general fund support in the work of the local Soil and Water Conservation District and Environmental Review Teams serving your municipality.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. Should you have any questions please contact Dennis Thibodeau at DEP, Financial Management Division at (860) 424-3748. Or the License & Revenue Office at (860) 424-3105.