



## **Building Division**

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Greetings and Happy 2023! I hope that this email finds everyone well. The new year has brought some significant changes for the City of Littleton of which we want to make you aware. Those changes include:

- A newly redesigned City of Littleton Website
- Newly Adopted Versions of the International Codes
- Permitting Changes
- Minor Fee Changes

Below is additional information related to some of the changes.

### **Redesigned City of Littleton Website**

The City's new website has been designed to consolidate information, making it easier to locate specific subject information. For example, a wide variety of information related to permits of all type is located on a single page, <https://www.littletonco.gov/Building-Development/Permits-Review-Guides-and-Requirements> . Check it out!

### **Newly Adopted Versions of the International Codes**

Effective January 1, 2023, all projects submitted for approval are required to comply with the following code versions, as applicable:

2021 International Building Code  
2021 International Residential Code  
2021 International Mechanical Code  
2021 International Plumbing Code  
2021 International Fuel Gas Code  
2021 International Energy Conservation Code  
2021 International Existing Building Code  
2021 International Property Maintenance Code  
2021 International Fire Code  
2020 National Electrical Code  
1997 Uniform Code for the Abatement of Dangerous Buildings

Amendments to these codes, as approved by the City of Littleton City Council, are available on the City's website at: <https://www.littletonco.gov/Building-Development/Permits-Review-Guides-and-Requirements/Building-Codes-Amendments-Division-Policies>

### **Permitting Changes**

With the adoption of the latest versions of the building codes, a number of changes related to permitting were enacted. Those changes include:

- Building permits are now valid for a period of three-hundred sixty-five (365) days from the date of issuance, up from the previous one-hundred eighty (180) days
- Permits are now required for all decks and fences, regardless of size or height
- Permit valuations are now stated as a total project valuation, without a requirement for separate building, mechanical, plumbing and electrical valuations to be stated

### **Minor Fee Changes**

There were no changes to the building permitting fee schedule. The only changes to any building permit related fees were related to fees charged at an hourly rate. The hourly rate increased from \$50 per hour to \$80 per hour. This is the first change to that rate in nine (9) years. So, how does the hourly rate change affect fees. The fees affected are listed below:

- Re-inspection fee – The fee now increases from \$50 to \$80 per assessment
- Plan change/revision fees – Fee for review of changes or revisions to previously approved plans is now \$80 per hour, with a minimum two-hour charge (\$160), and \$80 per hour for each additional whole or partial hour
- After-hours inspections – After-hours inspections, conducted by request outside of normal business hours (7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Mon-Fri. and anytime on Saturday or Sunday) now costs \$160 for the first two hours and \$80 for each subsequent whole or partial hour.