

**COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LA PLATA**  
**Ordinance No. 09-8**

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**Introduced By:** Mayor Roy G. Hale

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**Amendments Adopted:**

**Date Adopted:** May 26, 2009

**Date Effective:** July 1, 2009

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1 **An Ordinance** concerning

2 **Fee Schedule**

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4 **FOR** the purpose of adopting the Fee Schedule, dealing with fees set by the Town of La Plata; and all  
5 matters generally relating thereto.

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7 **BY** repealing and reenacting with amendments  
8 Chapter 101 – Fees  
9 Sections 101-1 through 101-15  
10 Code of the Town of La Plata  
11 (1998 Edition and Supplements)

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13 **SECTION 1: BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LA PLATA** that  
14 Chapter 101 of the Code of the Town of La Plata (1998) be and it is hereby repealed and reenacted, with  
15 amendments, to read as follows:

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17 **Chapter 101**  
18 **FEES**

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20 **§ 101-1. Plat, permit and inspection fees.**

21 The schedule of fees for issuance of the specified permits, as listed in this section, shall be as  
22 follows:

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24 **A. Subdivision plat fees:**

25 (1) Preliminary plats: two hundred and ((thirty-four)) FORTY-FIVE dollars ((((\$234.)))  
26 (\$245.00) per plat plus six dollars and ((ten) TWENTY-FIVE cents ((((\$6.10))) (\$6.25) per lot.

27 (2) Final plats: two hundred and ((thirty-four)) FORTY-FIVE dollars ((((\$234.))) (\$245.00)

28 per plat plus six dollars and ((ten)) TWENTY-FIVE cents ((((\$6.10))) (\$6.25) per lot, plus six dollars and  
29 ((ten)) TWENTY-FIVE cents ((((\$6.10))) (\$6.25) recordation fee, plus seven dollars AND TWENTY-FIVE  
30 CENTS ((((\$7.))) (\$7.25) per lot Official Zoning Map update fee.

31 (3) Revised plats and minor subdivision plats: same as final plats.

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(4) Plan review: The fee for all proposed improvement plans, including water, sewer, stormwater management and streets, will be one percent (1%) of the construction costs, limited to a maximum fee of ((five)) SIX thousand ((eight)) ONE hundred and ((fifty)) FIFTEEN dollars ((((\$5,850.))) (\$6,115.00). These fees will be collectible prior to recordation of final plat.

(5) When the Town has to obtain outside review of stormwater management, there will be a fee of thirty-TWO dollars ((and sixty cents (\$30.60))) (\$32.00), plus related costs as provided by the Chief Executive Officer.

(6) Development plan review fee for the review of development plans for Mixed Use Developments (MUD) and Traditional Neighborhood Developments (TND): five hundred and ((fifty-six)) EIGHTY dollars ((((\$556.))) (\$580.00).

**B. Building permit application fees:**

(1) Building permit application fees for construction, additions, alterations, moving and demolition:

Use Group Class	Construction and Addition Fee (per square foot)	Minimum Fee and Interior Alteration Fee*
Use Group A	\$ 0.45	\$ ((72.80)) 76.00
Use Group B (business)	0.45	((72.80)) 76.00
Use Group F (factory and industrial)	0.45	((72.80)) 76.00
Use Group H (high hazard)	0.45	((72.80)) 76.00
Use Group I (institutional)	0.45	((72.80)) 76.00
Use Group M (mercantile)	0.45	((72.80)) 76.00
Use Group R (residential)	0.40	((33.30)) 35.00
Use Group S (storage)	((0.34)) 0.35	((26.00)) 27.00
Use Group T (temporary and miscellaneous)	((0.29)) 0.30	((26.00)) 27.00
Moving of buildings	((0.29)) 0.30	((26.00)) 27.00
Demolition of buildings	((0.23)) 0.25	((26.00)) 27.00

\*NOTE: If the building is completely renovated, the Building Inspector may, at his discretion, apply Use Group T.

(2) HOME BUILDER GUARANTY FUND FEE – THE STATE OF MARYLAND APPROVED LEGISLATION IN 2008 THAT CREATED THE HOME BUILDER GUARANTY FUND IN THE CONSUMER PROTECTION DIVISION TO PROTECT CONSUMERS WHO PURCHASE

75 NEW HOMES IN MARYLAND. CONSUMERS WHO HAVE PROBLEMS WITH THEIR NEW  
76 HOMES THAT ARE NOT ADDRESSED BY THE BUILDER WILL BE ABLE TO FILE CLAIMS  
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78 AGAINST THE GUARANTY FUND. THE GUARANTY FUND FEE APPLIES ONLY TO  
 79 CONTRACTS ENTERED INTO BETWEEN CONSUMERS AND HOME BUILDERS AFTER  
 80 JANUARY 1, 2009. THE LEGISLATION REQUIRES ALL PERMIT OFFICES TO COLLECT FROM  
 81 HOME BUILDERS A NON-REFUNDABLE GUARANTY FUND FEE OF FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00)  
 82 **PER DWELLING UNIT** BEING CONSTRUCTED. THE FEE IS TO BE COLLECTED WITH EACH  
 83 APPLICATION FOR A PERMIT FOR CONSTRUCTION.

84 ((2)) (3) A reinspection fee of one hundred AND FIVE ((\$100.)) (\$105.00) will be applied  
 85 if reinspection is required due to failure to comply with the Code or failure to be at a stage of building  
 86 completion suitable for inspection. Cancellations for inspections must be made one (1) hour in advance of  
 87 the scheduled inspection. The reinspection fee must be paid prior to the rescheduling of the inspection.

88 ((3)) (4) Plan review fee for all proposed building plans, except single-family detached  
 89 dwellings: ((six) SEVEN dollars and ((ninety) TWENTY-five cents ((\$6.95))) (\$7.25) per sheet or page.  
 90 If outside review is required by the Town, all fees shall be paid by the owner or his agent.

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92 **C. Use and occupancy permit fees:**

93 (1) Where a building permit is not required by the Town, such as for a change in occupancy  
 94 in commercial structures, offices, retail spaces or the like, a fee of ((fifty-nine)) SIXTY-ONE dollars AND  
 95 FIFTY CENTS ((((\$59.))) (\$61.50) shall be collected prior to the inspection and issuance of the occupancy  
 96 permit. This fee will also be collected when an occupant or potential occupant requests an occupancy  
 97 permit/inspection where the Town does not require the same, such as for licensing or insurance purposes.

98 (2) In the case of a structure constructed to allow for future interior finishing to suit future  
 99 potential occupants, where the original building permit was completed by final inspection and issuance of  
 100 an occupancy permit, each tenant layout interior finishing shall require an occupancy inspection and permit  
 101 and payment of ((fifty-nine)) SIXTY-ONE dollars AND FIFTY CENTS ((((\$59.))) (\$61.50) fee, whether or  
 102 not such tenant layout requires a building permit.

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104 **D. Rental operating license and inspection fees:** As per the requirements of Town Code  
 105 Chapter 155, Rentals for Human Habitation, the biannual fees for the issuance of operating licenses and for  
 106 reinspections are as follows:

107 (1) The fee for the issuance of an operating license is ninety-((three))EIGHT dollars ((and  
 108 sixty cents (\$93.60))) (\$98.00) for each dwelling, dwelling unit or rooming unit.

109 (2) The fee for the issuance of an operating license for multiple dwellings containing four or  
 110 more dwelling units and rooming houses containing four or more rooming units is sixty-((two))FIVE  
 111 dollars ((and forty cents (\$62.40))) (\$65.00) per dwelling unit or rooming unit.

112 (3) The fee for the issuance of an operating license for motels and hotels is as follows:

113 0-50 rooms: one hundred and ((eighty-seven)) NINETY-FIVE dollars ((((\$187.)))  
 114 (\$195.00).

115 50-100 rooms: two hundred and ((sixty-eight)) EIGHTY dollars ((((\$268.))) (\$280.00).

116 over 100 rooms: three hundred and ((twenty)) THIRTY-FIVE dollars ((((\$320.)))  
 117 (\$335.00).

118 (4) The fee for reinspection of each dwelling, dwelling unit or rooming unit is fifty-TWO  
 119 dollars AND FIFTY CENTS ((((\$50))) (\$52.50).

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163 amount as determined by the Town Treasurer and/or Chief Executive Officer. The amount deposited shall  
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165 include a nonrefundable fee of five hundred and ((seventy)) NINETY-FIVE dollars ((((\$570.))) (\$595.00),  
 166 plus the reasonable estimate of Town expenses to process the annexation, including legal fees, engineering  
 167 studies and real estate appraisals. The petitioner shall be liable for any expenses above that deposited and  
 168 shall be entitled to any refund of monies not used, with the exception of the nonrefundable fee of five  
 169 hundred and ((seventy)) NINETY-FIVE dollars ((((\$570.))) (\$595.00).

171 **K. Farmers Market permit fees:** As per the requirements of Chapter 98, § 98-3 of the Town  
 172 Code of Ordinances, the season permit is one hundred and ((fifteen)) TWENTY dollars ((((\$115.00)))  
 173 (\$120.00), and the daily permit is ((twelve)) THIRTEEN dollars ((and fifty cents (\$12.50))) (\$13.00) for  
 174 Saturdays and ((seven)) EIGHT dollars ((and seventy-five cents (\$7.75))) (\$8.00) for Wednesdays.

176 **L. Burning permit fees:**  
 177 (1) Fees shall be as follows:  
 178 (a) Developed single lot/permit issued to homeowner: six dollars and ((twenty-five))  
 179 FIFTY cents ((((\$6.25))) (\$6.50).  
 180 (b) Single lot or up to five (5) acres cleared, permit issued to developer or builder:  
 181 twenty-((eight)) NINE dollars AND FIFTY CENTS ((((\$28.))) (\$29.50).  
 182 (c) Over five (5) acres cleared, permit issued to developer or builder:  
 183 fifty-((five)) SEVEN dollars AND FIFTY CENTS ((((\$55.))) (\$57.50).  
 184 (2) Terms shall be as follows:  
 185 (a) Applicant must present approved permit from Environmental Health Department.  
 186 (b) Permits shall be valid for the same term as provided on the permit from the  
 187 Environmental Health Department.

189 **M. Wills Park fees:**  
 190 (1) Except for County parks and recreation program uses, permits to use Wills Park shall be  
 191 issued only to Town residents. Proof of residency may be required. User fees for Wills Park are:  
 192 (a) Wills Park building:  
 193 [1] County parks and recreation programs: three dollars and ((twenty-five))  
 194 FIFTY cents ((((\$3.25))) (\$3.50) per hour.  
 195 [2] Private nonprofit organization/Town resident permit holder: eight dollars  
 196 and ((twenty-five)) FIFTY cents ((((\$8.25))) (\$8.50) per hour for the first four (4) hours and five dollars and  
 197 ((fifty))SEVENTY-five cents ((((\$5.55))) (\$5.75) each additional hour, excluding La Plata -based youth and  
 198 senior citizen organizations, La Plata-based Homeowners' Associations, the La Plata Volunteer Fire  
 199 Department and the Charles County Rescue Squad.  
 200 [3] Town Resident (nonprofit, personal use): eleven dollars AND FIFTY  
 201 CENTS ((((\$11.00))) (\$11.50) per hour.  
 202 [4] Private for profit: twenty-((three)) FOUR dollars ((((\$23.))) (\$24.00) per  
 203 hour for the first four (4) hours and ((eleven)) TWELVE dollars ((and twenty-five cents (\$11.25))) (\$12.00)  
 204 for each additional hour.  
 205 (2) All fees for park use are payable upon issuance of the permit.  
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207           **N.    Noise permits:** As per the requirement of Chapter 137, Noise, § 137-3C, the fee shall be  
208    ((eleven)) TWELVE dollars ((and twenty-five cents (\$11.25))) (\$12.00).  
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210 **O. Private wastewater disposal:** As per the requirement of Chapter 186, Water and Sewers, §  
 211 186-5C, the permit and inspection fee shall be fifty-((six)) EIGHT dollars AND FIFTY CENTS ((((\$56.)))  
 212 (\$58.50).

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 214 **P. New irrigation system installation:** As per the requirement of Chapter 186, Water and  
 215 Sewers, § 186-19.D, the irrigation system permit application fee shall be fifty dollars (\$50.).  
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217 **§ 101-2. Miscellaneous utility improvement fees.**

218 **A.** The developer of any subdivision, lot or new construction requiring water, sanitary sewer,  
 219 streets or storm sewer will pay one hundred percent (100%) of the cost of these extensions or  
 220 improvements, to a point(s) approved by the Town.  
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222 **B.** The developer may construct such improvements as specified in Subsection A. of this  
 223 section, according to applicable Town specifications, upon application and approval of the Chief Executive  
 224 Officer.  
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226 **C.** Any developer or owner desiring the Town to extend water, sewer and storm sewers to the  
 227 developer's or owner's property line, or requesting partial assistance in an extension, shall pay the following  
 228 fees for such service:  
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230 (1) Water meter charges for meters, including fitting appurtenances:

<u>Meter size</u> (inches)	<u>Fee</u>
5/8	\$((305.)) 320.00
3/4	\$((364.)) 380.00
1	\$((582.)) 610.00
1½	\$((780.)) 815.00
2	\$((1,000.)) 1,045.00
Other sizes and types (i.e., compounds, 3+ inches, etc.)	To be determined by Chief Executive Officer.

242 (2) Water line construction charge:

243 (a) The charge shall be computed by the Chief Executive Officer upon application.

244 (b) The minimum fee shall be four thousand ((three)) FIVE hundred and sixty((-five))  
 245 dollars ((((\$4,365.))) (\$4,560.00).

246 (3) Water line boring charge:

247 (a) The charge shall be computed by the Chief Executive Officer upon application.

248 (b) The minimum fee shall be five thousand ((three)) FIVE hundred AND FORTY  
 249 dollars ((((\$5,300.))) (\$5,540.00).

250 (4) Water line fire hydrant charge:

251 (a) The charge shall be computed by the Chief Executive Officer upon application.

252 (b) The minimum fee shall be two thousand ~~((six))~~ SEVEN hundred and ~~((seventy))~~  
253 NINETY-five dollars ~~(((\$2,675.)))~~ (\$2,795.00).  
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255 (5) Sewer line construction charge:

256 (a) The charge shall be computed by the Chief Executive Officer upon application.

257 (b) The minimum fee shall be four thousand ((seven)) NINE hundred and ((thirty))  
258 FORTY-FIVE dollars ((((\$4,730.))) (\$4,945.00).

259 (6) Sewer line boring charge:

260 (a) The charge shall be computed by the Chief Executive Officer upon application.

261 (b) The minimum fee shall be ((six)) SEVEN thousand ((nine)) TWO hundred and  
262 ((seventy)) EIGHTY-FIVE dollars ((((\$6,970.))) (\$7,285.00).

263 (7) Manhole charge for sewer lines:

264 (a) The charge shall be computed by the Chief Executive Officer upon application.

265 (b) The minimum charge shall be one thousand ((one)) TWO hundred and ((seventy-  
266 five)) THIRTY dollars ((((\$1,175.))) (\$1,230.00).

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268 D. Street lights: As determined by the Town.

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270 E. Street name and regulatory signs: As determined by the Town.

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272 **§ 101-3. Television and sewer cleaning equipment charges.**

273 Charges for the use of television and sewer cleaning equipment shall be as follows:

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275 A. Equipment used in Town will be at eighty-((three)) SEVEN dollars ((((\$83.))) (\$87.00) per  
276 hour, plus the cost of the chemicals.

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278 B. Equipment used out of Town will be at two hundred and ((twenty-nine)) FORTY dollars  
279 ((((\$229.))) (\$240.00) per hour, plus the cost of the chemicals.

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281 C. Calculating time will start when the crew begins traveling to the job site.

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283 **§ 101-4. Major facilities fees.**

284 A. Major facilities fees are levied to partially finance capital improvements to the water and  
285 sanitary sewer systems due to increased demands upon the system as a result of new development.  
286 Revenues collected from the major facilities fee may be used for the acquisition, construction,  
287 improvement and enlargement of all or parts of the Town's water and sanitary sewer systems. Such  
288 revenues may not be used for the purpose of operation, maintenance or non-capital repair of the water or  
289 sanitary sewer systems, except that revenues collected from the major facilities fee on and after October 1,  
290 2003 and prior to September 28, 2006 shall not be used for any project located in or intended to exclusively  
291 serve properties located in the Old Town Utility District. The major facilities fee shall be levied and paid as  
292 specified in the following subsections of this section.

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294 B. Determination of fee.

295 (1) The charge per unit levied and to be paid with the issuance of all building or occupancy  
296 permits requiring larger or new connections to the Town of La Plata water and sanitary sewer systems shall

297 be:  
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299 (a) Residential units:

300 [1] Multiple-family dwelling units:

301 [a] Dwelling units having not more than seven hundred (700) square  
302 feet of total area: six thousand five hundred and thirty dollars (\$6,530.) per dwelling unit.

303 [b] Dwelling units having more than seven hundred (700) square feet  
304 of total area: seven thousand five hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$7,525.) per dwelling unit.

305 [2] Single family attached dwellings, single family detached dwellings, two-  
306 family dwellings and mobile home dwellings: eight thousand five hundred and twenty-five dollars  
307 (\$8,525.) per dwelling unit.

308 (2) Commercial, industrial, and public or quasi-public facility units: an amount per unit  
309 based upon the estimated water consumption of such facility as set forth in Section 101-4.F. of this chapter.

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311 **C.** The major facilities fee shall be paid before a building permit is issued. In the case of a  
312 revocation, discontinuance or abandonment of a building permit, as provided in the Town Building Code,  
313 before water, sewer or other public improvements are extended to the building project, this fee shall be  
314 refunded. If a major facilities fee is imposed with respect to a use of property for which no building permit  
315 is required, the major facilities fee shall be paid before an occupancy permit is issued.

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317 **D.** Permits for water and/or sewer connection(s) shall be issued at the same time the building  
318 permit is issued and shall be valid as long as the building permit is valid, except existing residential  
319 buildings may connect to water and sewer mains as provided in § 101-2C of this chapter. If a permit for a  
320 water and/or sewer connection is to be issued for a use of property where no building permit is required,  
321 the permit for the connection must be issued before the issuance of an occupancy permit.

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323 **E.** A "residential unit" is hereby defined as one (1) dwelling unit, as further defined in § 191-3  
324 of the Town's Zoning Ordinance. The various types of dwelling units, such as multiple-family, single-  
325 family attached, single-family detached, two-family and mobile home, will have the same meaning as  
326 defined in § 191-3 of the Town's Zoning Ordinance. A "multiple-family dwelling unit" is more narrowly  
327 defined to be only those groups of three (3) or more dwelling units served by a common water service and  
328 requiring only one (1) water meter.

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330 **F.** The major facilities fee for commercial, industrial, quasi-public or public facilities shall be  
331 determined by the Chief Executive Officer using units or fractions of units of estimated water consumption  
332 as the basis for that determination. Each unit is the equivalent of twenty thousand (20,000) gallons of  
333 estimated water consumption per quarter. The major facilities fee shall be imposed at the rate of eight  
334 thousand five hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$8,525.) per unit. The amount of major facilities fee for  
335 fractional units shall be based upon a pro-rated amount of eight thousand five hundred and twenty-five  
336 dollars (\$8,525.). The standards used for establishing estimated water consumption shall be established and  
337 approved by the Town Council.

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339 **G.** The major facilities fee for uses requiring a new or larger connection to either the water or  
340 sanitary sewer systems, but not both, shall, for sewer, be at a rate of seventy-five percent (75%) of the fee

341 provided for in Sections 101-4.B. and 101-4.F., and, for water, be at the rate of thirty-five percent (35%) of  
342 the fee provided for in Sections 101-4.B. and 101-4.F.  
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344           **H.**     No change in the use of a building shall be allowed that would require additional increments  
 345 of water and/or sewer units without payment of the major facilities fee for the increase in sewer and/or  
 346 water units. To ensure compliance, the Building Inspector shall not allow such building requiring payment  
 347 of additional major facilities fees to be occupied until the requisite fees are paid and occupancy is approved  
 348 by the Chief Executive Officer.

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 350           **I.**     As used in Sections 101-4 and 101-4.1, the Old Town Utility District consists of all properties  
 351 that abut or have access from the following streets, except that as of April 13, 2005 the Old Town Utility  
 352 District does not include those properties or portions of those properties that are located in the Town’s CBT  
 353 Central Business Transition zoning district on that date:

- 354                   (1) West Hawthorne Drive to the Town limits as of January 9, 1990.
- 355                   (2) Pine Street.
- 356                   (3) East Hawthorne Drive.
- 357                   (4) US Route 301 from Maryland Route 225 to Glen Albin (formerly Patuxent) Drive.
- 358                   (5) Maryland Route 6 west of US Route 301, to and including the Archbishop Neale property  
 359 on the north side and to and including the United Methodist Church property on the south side.
- 360                   (6) Maryland Route 6 east of US Route 301 to Willow Lane.
- 361                   (7) Washington Avenue to the Town limits as they existed as of January 9, 1990.
- 362                   (8) Harford Street.
- 363                   (9) Cecil Street.
- 364                   (10) Kent Avenue.
- 365                   (11) Spruce Street.
- 366                   (12) Prospect Street.
- 367                   (13) Caroline Drive from Washington Avenue to the railroad tracks.
- 368                   (14) Centennial Street.
- 369                   (15) Baltimore Street.
- 370                   (16) North Maple Avenue.
- 371                   (17) South Maple Avenue from Charles Street to Carroll Street.
- 372                   (18) North Oak Avenue.
- 373                   (19) Anne Arundel Avenue.
- 374                   (20) Severn Drive.
- 375                   (21) Calvert Street.
- 376                   (22) Howard Street.
- 377                   (23) St. Mary’s Avenue to Glen Albin (formerly Patuxent) Drive.
- 378                   (24) Wills Street.
- 379                   (25) La Grange Avenue.
- 380                   (26) Queen Anne’s Street.
- 381                   (27) Carroll Street.
- 382                   (28) Graves Avenue.
- 383                   (29) Oak Avenue.
- 384                   (30) Del Ray Circle.
- 385                   (31) Concord Circle.

- 386 (32) Arlington Drive.
- 387 (33) Worcester Street.
- 388 (34) Wicomico Street.
- 389 (35) Garrett Avenue.
- 390 (36) Somerset Street.
- 391 (37) Willow Lane South.
- 392 (38) Prince George’s Street.
- 393 (39) Forest Lane.
- 394 (40) Patuxent Court.
- 395 (41) Glen Albin (formerly Patuxent) Drive from US Route 301 to Willow Lane South.
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397 **J.** (1) All monies in the Town’s major facilities fund as of October 1, 2003 may be expended for  
 398 and on behalf of the financing of major improvements to the Town’s water and sanitary sewer systems that  
 399 are undertaken anywhere in the Town.

400 (2) All monies generated from major facilities fees paid to the Town between October 1, 2003  
 401 and April 12, 2005 may not be expended for any improvements to the Town’s water and sanitary sewer  
 402 systems that are located in or intended primarily to serve properties located in the Old Town Utility District as  
 403 that district existed on April 12, 2005.

404 (3) All monies generated from major facilities fees paid to the Town from and after April 13,  
 405 2005 may not be expended for any improvements to the Town’s water and sanitary sewer systems that are  
 406 located in or intended primarily to serve properties located in the Old Town Utility District as that district  
 407 existed on April 13, 2005.

408 (4) All monies generated from major facilities fees paid to the Town from and after September  
 409 28, 2006 may be expended for and on behalf of the financing of major improvements to the Town’s water and  
 410 sanitary sewer systems that are undertaken anywhere in the Town.

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 412 **101-4.1. Major facilities fee for commercial and industrial properties.**

413 **A.** This section applies to the payment of major facilities fees for commercial and industrial  
 414 facilities.

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 416 **B.** (1) For each commercial and industrial facility there is a base major facilities fee. For  
 417 purposes of this section, the base major facilities fee is:

418 (a) The amount of major facilities fee assessed and paid pursuant to §101-4B(1)(b)  
 419 based upon estimated water consumption of the facility; except that

420 (b) In the case of a property for which water and sewer facilities were paid by a front  
 421 foot benefit assessment, the amount of the major facilities fee which would be assessed in accordance with  
 422 §101-4B(1)(b) if the property were initially developed on July 1, 1997, based upon the use of the property  
 423 on that date.

424 (2) When the actual user of a facility is unknown when a building permit is issued, the base  
 425 major facilities fee shall be calculated upon such potential use of the facility as reasonably would be  
 426 expected to generate the smallest demand for water usage of all potential realistic uses of the facility as  
 427 allowed in the zoning district.

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**C.** (1) If a base major facilities fee is calculated pursuant to subsection B(2) of this section, an additional major facilities fee shall be charged when the actual user of the facility becomes known if the estimated water consumption for such user will be greater than the estimated water consumption upon which the base major facilities fee was calculated. This additional major facilities fee shall be known as an

434 incremental major facilities fee. The amount of the incremental major facilities fee shall be calculated  
435 based upon the formula set forth in §101-4F.

436 (2) An incremental major facilities fee shall be paid prior to the issuance of a certificate of  
437 occupancy for the use of the facility pursuant to §191-48B of this Code. The Town shall maintain records  
438 of the name of the person who pays any incremental major facilities fee and the location for which such  
439 incremental major facilities fee is paid. The payer of an incremental major facilities fee shall receive a  
440 credit in the amount of the incremental major facilities fee paid.

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442 **D.** An incremental major facilities fee credit may be assigned, sold, otherwise lawfully  
443 conveyed, or transferred, as provided in this subsection D. An incremental major facilities fee credit issued  
444 to a property located in the Old Town Utility District prior to October 1, 2003 also may be assigned, sold,  
445 otherwise lawfully conveyed, or transferred as provided in this Subsection D.

446 (1) When a business for which an incremental major facilities fee has been paid ceases  
447 operation at the location for which the fee has been paid, the holder of the incremental major facilities fee  
448 credit may:

449 (a) Assign, sell or otherwise lawfully convey all, or any portion, of the credit to another  
450 person, for the purpose of applying such credit against the payment of another base major facilities fee or  
451 incremental major facilities fee, as applicable:

452 [1] At the same location; or

453 [2] At a different location in the town;

454 (b) Transfer all or any portion of the credit to be applied by that person against the  
455 payment of another base major facilities fee or incremental major facilities fee, as applicable, at a different  
456 location in the town; or

457 (c) Retain the rights to all or any portion of the credit for subsequent use by that person  
458 at the same location.

459 Under no circumstances may all, or any portion, of an incremental major facilities fee  
460 be refunded by the Town.

461 (2) All or any portion of an incremental major facilities fee credit which has been assigned,  
462 sold, conveyed or transferred may be:

463 (a) Applied against a base major facilities fee imposed for the same or another business;  
464 or

465 (b) Applied against an incremental major facilities fee imposed for the same or another  
466 business.

467 That portion of an incremental major facilities fee credit which is applied against a base  
468 major facilities fee may not be further transferred, assigned, sold, or conveyed. However, that portion of an  
469 incremental major facilities fee credit which is applied against a new incremental major facilities fee may  
470 be further transferred, sold, assigned, or conveyed as provided in this section.

471 (3) The amount of major facilities fee attributable to a property shall be reduced by the  
472 amount by which any portion of an incremental major facilities fee is transferred, sold, assigned or  
473 conveyed for use at a different location.

474 (4) A transfer, sale, assignment or conveyance of all or part of an incremental major  
475 facilities fee credit is not effective unless undertaken as hereafter provided:

476 (a) A person seeking to transfer, sell, assign or convey all or any part of an incremental  
477 major facilities fee credit shall file an application under oath on forms provided by the Town for this  
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479 purpose. If the applicant is not the owner of the property on which the business is located, the application  
480 also shall be consented to, in writing, by the property owner. The application shall be accompanied by such  
481 application fee as may be prescribed by the Town Council by Resolution. In addition to such other  
482 information and documentation as may be required by the Town’s Chief Executive Officer, an application  
483 shall be accompanied by documentary proof acceptable to the Chief Executive Officer:

484 [1] As to the amount of incremental major facilities fee credit available for transfer,  
485 sale, assignment or conveyance; and

486 [2] That such fee was paid to the Town by the person applying for the transfer, sale,  
487 assignment or transfer.

488 The burden is on the applicant to prove the amount of incremental major  
489 facilities fee credit available for transfer, sale, assignment or conveyance, and that the applicant is the  
490 person who paid such fee to the Town.

491 (b) If the Town approves an application to transfer, sell, assign or convey all or a part of  
492 an incremental major facilities fee credit, the Town shall deliver to the applicant, to the property owner if  
493 different from the applicant, and to the person to whom the credit will be transferred, sold, assigned or  
494 conveyed, a certificate of approval which contains at least the following information:

495 [1] Names of the parties;

496 [2] The address for which the incremental major facilities fee had been paid;

497 [3] The address to which the incremental major facilities fee credit is being  
498 transferred;

499 [4] The amount of such transferred, sold, assigned or conveyed incremental major  
500 facilities fee credit which will be available for future transfer, sale, assignment or conveyance in  
501 accordance with §101-4.1D(2); and

502 [5] The name of the person who will be entitled to apply for such future transfer,  
503 sale, assignment or conveyance in accordance with §101-4.1D(2).

504 The Town’s approval of the application is not effective until a certificate of  
505 approval is issued.

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507 **§101-4.2. Major facilities fee loan program.**

508 **A.** There is a major facilities fee loan program in the Town under the provisions of this section.

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510 **B.** The purpose of the major facilities fee loan program is to provide an economic development  
511 incentive for the Town to recruit and attract desirable businesses to locate within the Town and to  
512 encourage existing businesses to expand in the Town.

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514 **C.** The Town Council may appropriate in the Town’s annual budget ordinance such amounts  
515 from the Town’s General Fund as the Town Council deem necessary and appropriate to fund the major  
516 facilities fee loan program. Amounts to fund the major facilities fee loan program shall be appropriated as a  
517 designated line item in the budget ordinance.

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519 **D.** The Town Council may grant a loan to an eligible business under the major facilities fee  
520 loan program if sufficient funds have been appropriated in the annual budget ordinance. The amount of the

521 loan to an eligible business may not exceed seventy-five percent (75%) of the major facilities fee to be  
522 assessed for the business, plus the amount of any costs and expenses to be included in the loan amount  
523 pursuant to subsection L. of this section.  
524

525           **E.**     Each major facilities fee loan granted by the Town Council:  
526                     (1) Shall bear interest at a rate or rates to be established by the Town Council, such rate or  
527 rates to be not less than the prime rate established by PNC Bank from time to time plus one percent (1%);  
528                     (2) Shall be repaid over a period to be established by the Town Council, but not to exceed  
529 forty-two (42) months;  
530                     (3) Shall be guaranteed and/or secured by such personal guarantees, deeds of trust,  
531 mortgages, or other security interests as the Town Council deem appropriate;  
532                     (4) Shall bear a method of repayment as shall be determined by the Town Council, but such  
533 method of repayment shall provide for not less than annual payments of accrued interest plus a pro-rata  
534 portion of the outstanding principal balance of the loan; and  
535                     (5) Shall be a lien upon any real property in the town owned by the business owner and  
536 guarantor of the loan, and may be collected and enforced in the same manner as Town real property taxes.  
537

538           **F.**     Each major facilities fee loan, and any guarantees and security interests for the repayment of  
539 the loan, shall be evidenced by such agreements and other documents as may be deemed appropriate by the  
540 Chief Executive Officer and the Town Council, and approved by the Town Attorney.  
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542           **G.**     A request for a major facilities fee loan shall be filed with the Chief Executive Officer upon  
543 such forms, and accompanied by such information, as may be required by the Chief Executive Officer. The  
544 request shall demonstrate how the business is an eligible business under the criteria provided in subsection  
545 J. of this section. The request shall be accompanied by a nonrefundable application fee in the amount of  
546 two percent (2%) of the requested loan amount or three hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$325.), whichever  
547 is more. The applicant also shall be responsible for providing such credit reports, business marketing  
548 studies, business plans, real estate appraisals, or other documentation and reports as may be required by the  
549 Chief Executive Officer or the Town Council.  
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551           **H.**     Upon receipt of all information and fees as required by subsection G., the Chief Executive  
552 Officer shall review the loan request and all supporting documentation and shall submit a written analysis  
553 and recommendation to the Town Council as to whether the loan should be granted. The analysis and  
554 recommendation shall evaluate the loan request based upon the criteria set forth in subsection J. of this  
555 section.  
556

557           **I.**     Upon receipt of the written analysis and recommendation from the Chief Executive Officer,  
558 the Town Council shall conduct a public hearing on the loan request. Notice of the public hearing shall be  
559 published at the expense of the applicant at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Town.  
560 Upon completion of the public hearing, the Town Council may act upon the loan request. Any act  
561 approving the loan request shall be taken in the form of a Resolution, which shall set forth at least the  
562 following:

- 563                     (1) Name of the loan grantee;
- 564                     (2) Principal amount of the loan;
- 565                     (3) Term of the loan;
- 566                     (4) Interest rate or rates to be paid upon the unpaid principal balance;

- 567 (5) The method of repayment of the loan; and
- 568 (6) All personal guarantees and security interests associated with the loan.
- 569

570 **J.** A business shall be eligible for a major facilities fee loan if it satisfies all of the following  
571 criteria:

- 572 (1) (a) The business will create substantial additional employment opportunities for  
573 professional, technical and skilled labor in the Town, or
- 574 (b) The business has been identified by the Town’s Comprehensive Plan or by other  
575 official Town policy as being needed or desirable in furtherance of the Town’s economic development;
- 576 (2) The business shall provide a wage base which substantially exceeds minimum wage  
577 levels;
- 578 (3) The business shall add substantially to the property tax base of the Town; and
- 579 (4) Payment of the major facilities fee without the loan would make location of the business  
580 in the Town, or expansion of an existing business in the Town, economically infeasible.

581 Even if a business is eligible for a major facilities fee loan, the Town Council is not required to  
582 grant a loan request.

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584 **K.** In addition to the mandatory criteria specified in subsection J., the Town Council also may  
585 consider the following factors in determining whether to grant a request for a major facilities fee loan:

- 586 (1) Whether a predominant ownership interest in the business is held by one or more Town  
587 residents; and
- 588 (2) Whether the business location will enhance the aesthetic appearance of the Town.

589  
590 **L.** Upon approval of the loan by the Town Council, the loan shall be accepted by the execution  
591 of such loan documents as may be required by the Town Council and Chief Executive Officer and  
592 approved by the Town Attorney. The loan obligation shall be accepted, and all required security provided  
593 to the Town, prior to the issuance of a building permit for the project on account of which the loan is  
594 granted, and the loan obligation shall commence upon issuance of the building permit. The applicant shall  
595 be responsible for the payment of all costs and expenses incurred by the Town in connection with the  
596 documentation of the loan and perfection of any security interests, including, but not limited to, all costs of  
597 document preparation, title and lien searches, recording fees, and attorney fees. With the approval of the  
598 Town, these costs and expenses may be included within the amount of the loan.

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600 **M.** Upon issuance of the building permit, the Town Treasurer shall transfer the loan amount  
601 from the Town’s General Fund to the Major Facilities Fees Fund. Repayment of the loan shall be deposited  
602 by the Town Treasurer into the General Fund.

603  
604 **§ 101-5. Water rates, charges and fees.**

605 **A.** There shall be a tiered water service rate for water use for all property having location  
606 within the corporate limits of the Town of La Plata:

607 0 – ((15,600)) 15,000 gallons per quarter: two dollars and ((eighteen)) SEVENTY cents  
608 ((((\$2.18))) (\$2.70) for each one thousand (1,000) gallons used.

609 ((15,601)) 15,001 – 100,000 gallons per quarter: ((two)) THREE dollars and ((forty-four)) TEN  
610 cents ((((\$2.44))) (\$3.10) for each one thousand (1,000) gallons used.

611 100,001 gallons per quarter and up: two dollars and ((eighteen)) SEVENTY cents ((((\$2.18)))

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612 (\$2.70) for each one thousand (1,000) gallons used.  
613

614 **B.** It is the declared policy of the Town that no water service shall be extended outside the  
615 corporate limits of the Town.

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617 **C.** The water reconnect fee shall be twenty-~~((six))~~ SEVEN dollars (~~(((\$26.)))~~) (\$27.00).

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619 **D.** The account maintenance fee for each utility account shall be eleven dollars and ~~((fifteen))~~  
620 FIFTY cents (~~(((\$11.15)))~~) (\$11.50) per quarter.

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622 **E.** A water connection charge shall be levied per dwelling unit as follows:  
623 (1) Dwelling units having not more than seven hundred (700) square feet of total area:  
624 eighty-FOUR dollars (~~(((\$80.)))~~) (\$84.00).  
625 (2) Dwelling units having more than seven hundred (700) square feet of total area: ninety-  
626 ~~((three))~~ EIGHT dollars (~~((and sixty cents (\$93.60)))~~) (\$98.00).  
627 (3) With commercial, industrial, quasi-public or public facilities the fee shall be determined  
628 based on the estimated water consumption:

629	0 - 20,000	\$ <del>((88.40))</del> 92.00
630	20,001 - 40,000	<del>((203.85))</del> 215.00
631	40,001 - 60,000	<del>((306.80))</del> 320.00

632  
633 **F.** Utility bills become past due thirty-one (31) days from the billing date stated on the bill. A  
634 late payment penalty shall be levied at the rate of ten percent (10%) of the total of the overdue utility bill,  
635 excluding Bay Restoration Fund fee.

636  
637 **§ 101-6. Sanitary sewer rates and charges.**

638 **A.** There shall be a tiered sanitary sewer rate which shall be computed based on the water  
639 consumption. However, the rate for Town residents who are connected to the Town sewer system only will  
640 be computed based on the Equivalency Dwelling Unit (EDU) method that is used to calculate Major  
641 Facility Fees. One EDU is estimated to use 20,000 gallons of water per quarter.

642 0 – ~~((15,600))~~ 15,000 gallons per quarter: ~~((six))~~ SEVEN dollars and ~~((twenty-three))~~  
643 EIGHTY cents (~~(((\$6.23)))~~) (\$7.80) for each one thousand (1,000) gallons of water consumption.

644 ~~((15,601))~~ 15,001 – 100,000 gallons per quarter: ~~((six))~~ EIGHT dollars and ~~((ninety-eight))~~  
645 SEVENTY cents (~~(((\$6.98)))~~) (\$8.70) for each one thousand (1,000) gallons of water consumption.

646 100,001 gallons per quarter and up: ~~((six))~~ SEVEN dollars and ~~((twenty-three))~~ EIGHTY cents  
647 ~~(((\$6.23)))~~ (\$7.80) for each one thousand (1,000) gallons of water consumption.

648  
649 **B.** It is the declared policy of the Town that no sewer service shall be extended outside the  
650 corporate limits of the Town.

651  
652 **C.** A sewer connection charge shall be levied per dwelling unit as follows:  
653 (1) Dwelling units having not more than seven hundred (700) square feet of total area: two  
654 hundred and ~~((forty-one))~~ FIFTY dollars (~~((and twenty-five cents (\$241.25)))~~) (\$250.00).  
655 (2) Dwelling units having more than seven hundred (700) square feet of total area: two

656 hundred and ((eighty)) NINETY-FIVE dollars ((and eighty cents (\$280.80))) (\$295.00).  
657

658 (3) With commercial, industrial, quasi-public or public facilities the fee shall be determined  
 659 based on the estimated water consumption:  
 660 0 - 20,000 \$((265.20)) 275.00  
 661 20,001 - 40,000 ((676.00)) 705.00  
 662 40,001 - 60,000 ((925.60)) 965.00  
 663

664 **D.** Utility bills become past due thirty-one (31) days from the billing date stated on the bill. A  
 665 late payment penalty shall be levied at the rate of ten percent (10%) of the total of the overdue utility bill,  
 666 excluding Bay Restoration Fund fee.  
 667

668 **E.** Bay Restoration Fund fee—The State of Maryland approved legislation in May, 2004 that  
 669 established the Bay Restoration Fund, which requires all wastewater treatment plant owners to collect from  
 670 all sewer customers an additional two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) per month for((e)) residential  
 671 customers and an additional two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) per equivalency dwelling unit (EDU) for  
 672 commercial customers. The Bay Restoration Fund fee is forwarded directly to the State Comptroller for the  
 673 benefit of the bay restoration fund. The Bay Restoration Fund was established to provide funding for  
 674 additional nutrient removal upgrades to wastewater treatment plants in Maryland.  
 675

676 **§ 101-7. Refuse collection fees.**

677 All residential units within the Town of La Plata shall avail themselves of the Town municipal  
 678 refuse collection service. The quarterly refuse collection fee for all refuse collection within the corporate  
 679 limits of the Town of La Plata shall be as follows:

680 **A.** Residential: single-family, duplex, triplex and four-unit apartments:  
 681 (1) Curbside: ((Sixty-eight)) SEVENTY-THREE dollars and ((seven)) TEN cents  
 682 ((((\$68.07))) (\$73.10) per unit (once a week collection).

683 (2) House side: ((Ninety-six)) ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY dollars ((and twelve cents  
 684 (\$96.12))) (\$150.00) per unit (once a week collection).

685 (3) Individuals over age sixty-four (64) or physically impaired may receive house side  
 686 collection at ((sixty-eight)) SEVENTY-THREE dollars and ((seven)) TEN cents ((((\$68.07))) (\$73.10) upon  
 687 request to and approval of the Town Council.

688 (4) A surcharge of nine dollars and ((twenty)) SIXTY cents ((((\$9.20))) (\$9.60) will be  
 689 collected from each utility account to pay for the recycling project.  
 690

691 **B.** Commercial:  
 692 (1) Base rates (quarterly basis):  
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<u>GROUP</u>	<u>1 X/WK.</u>	<u>2 X/WK.</u>	<u>3 X/WK.</u>	<u>4 X/WK.</u>	<u>5 X/WK.</u>
<b>((I-A</b>	\$ 68.07				
<b>I-B</b>	112.21				
<b>II</b>	63.13	\$140.24	\$215.73	\$287.17	\$350.51
<b>III-A</b>	89.86	129.00			

700            **III-B**            110.81            175.28))  
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702	<b>I-A</b>	\$ 72.50				
703	<b>I-B</b>	120.00				
704	<b>II</b>	67.50	\$150.00	\$230.50	\$307.00	\$374.50
705	<b>III-A</b>	96.00	138.00			
706	<b>III-B</b>	120.00	185.00			

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708 (2) Group definitions:

709 (a) Group I: multiple-family dwellings with less than five (5) dwelling units and  
710 charged to a single owner.

711 [1] Group I-A: curbside pickup.

712 [2] Group I-B: house side pickup.

713 (b) Group II: all container (dumpster) pickups.

714 (c) Group III: businesses that generate not more than six (6) thirty (30) gallon  
715 containers per week or nine (9) twenty (20) gallon containers per week and require no more than twice a  
716 week pickup.

717 [1] Group III-A: curbside pickup.

718 [2] Group III-B: other than curbside pickup (i.e., rear of building).

719 (3) The yardage charge shall be a charge of one dollar and ((seventy-six)) NINETY cents  
720 ((((\$1.76))) (\$1.90) per yard per quarter based on container size and frequency of pickup.

721 (4) Commercial container rental (quarterly):

722 (a) Two (2) cubic yards: Thirty-((one)) FOUR dollars ((and eighty-one cents  
723 (\$31.81))) (\$34.00).

724 (b) Four (4) cubic yards: Forty-((one)) FOUR dollars ((and nine cents (\$41.09)))  
725 (\$44.00).

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727 **C.** The landfill disposal surcharge for Groups II and III shall be 0.5 times the base rates, plus  
728 the yardage charge, and added separately to all refuse collection accounts.

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730 **D.** Special pickups for bulk items shall be charged as follows: A minimum of ((eleven))  
731 TWELVE dollars and ((seventy-five)) FIFTY cents ((((\$11.75))) (\$12.50) for the first five (5) minutes and  
732 one dollar and ten cents (\$1.10) for each additional minute. Bulk items should weigh no more than fifty  
733 (50) pounds. Large amounts of loose material (such as brush) should be bundled or bagged in such a  
734 manner that the weight is less than fifty (50) pounds. The Town reserves the right to not pick up items too  
735 heavy to safely handle. General construction clean-up and hazardous materials are not eligible. A fee of six  
736 dollars (\$6.), or the current landfill disposal fee, shall be charged for each tire collected.

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738 Commercial accounts requesting an additional pickup of a dumpster shall pay one hundred and  
739 ((nineteen)) TWENTY-FIVE dollars ((and eighty-eight cents (\$119.88))) (\$125.00) per dumpster emptied.  
740 This service is only for extraordinary circumstances and not meant to occur regularly. A commercial  
741 account needing frequent special pickups shall be reviewed to determine if a higher level of collection  
742 service is required.

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744           **E.**     Outside corporate limits:  
745                     (1) Residential curbside: Ninety-~~((one))~~ SIX dollars ~~((and ninety-one cents (\$91.91)))~~  
746     (\$96.00) per quarter. This service is subject to Town Council approval.  
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748 (2) A surcharge of nine dollars and ((nineteen)) FIFTY cents ((((\$9.19))) (\$9.50) will be  
749 collected from each utility account to pay for the recycling project.

750  
751 F. Utility bills become past due thirty-one (31) days from the billing date stated on the bill. A  
752 late payment penalty shall be levied at the rate of ten percent (10%) of the total of the overdue utility bill,  
753 excluding Bay Restoration fee.

754  
755 **§ 101-8. Zoning fees.**  
756 The petitioner for variance, special exception and zoning appeals, or rehearings on variance, special  
757 exception and zoning appeals applications, shall pay to the Town a nonrefundable application fee of two  
758 hundred and ((twenty)) THIRTY dollars ((((\$220.))) (\$230.00) for each application, and shall also pay  
759 actual expenses to process the application, including legal fees, advertising fees, and any other related  
760 costs, which shall be invoiced to the applicant by the Town Finance Department and shall be due upon  
761 receipt.

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763 The applicant for a Home Office permit shall pay to the Town a nonrefundable application fee of  
764 thirty-ONE dollars AND FIFTY CENTS ((((\$30.))) (\$31.50).

765  
766 Petitions for zoning amendments shall be three hundred and ((sixty)) SEVENTY-FIVE dollars  
767 ((((\$360.))) (\$375.00). If an additional public hearing is necessary, the petitioner will pay any related costs  
768 as determined by the Chief Executive Officer.

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770 A fee of seventy-((five)) EIGHT dollars ((((\$75.))) (\$78.00) will be paid to the Town for preparation  
771 of a Zoning Certification letter.

772  
773 **§ 101-9. Updating Official Zoning Map.**  
774 Whenever a parcel of land is rezoned, resubdivided, or subdivided, a fee of seven dollars AND  
775 TWENTY-FIVE CENTS ((((\$7.))) (\$7.25) per lot will be paid to the Town to pay for the Town's cost of  
776 updating the Official Zoning Map.

777  
778 **§ 101-10. Reduction of certain fees.**  
779 The Town Council shall have discretion, after a public hearing is held for that purpose, to abate or  
780 reduce any of the fees in §§ 101-1, 101-2 and 101-3, if good cause is shown.

781  
782 **§ 101-11. Water extraction permits.**  
783 Water extraction permits may be issued for use of a specified fire hydrant(s). The nonrefundable  
784 annual application fee shall be seven hundred and ((fifty)) EIGHTY-FIVE DOLLARS ((((\$750.)))  
785 (\$785.00) in cash. The fee for water extracted from the Town system shall be six dollars and ((forty))  
786 SEVENTY-five cents ((((\$6.45))) (\$6.75) per one thousand (1,000) gallons of water extracted, to be paid on  
787 a monthly basis at the Finance Office in the Town Hall.

788  
789 **§ 101-12. Fee for returned checks.**

790           A returned check fee of twenty-~~(five)~~SIX dollars (~~(\$25.))~~ (\$26.00) shall be imposed in each  
791 instance of a check being returned to the Town for any reason.  
792

793 **§ 101-13. Fees for miscellaneous items/services sold by the Town.**

794 Zoning map: prices based on suppliers' cost to Town.  
795 Comprehensive Plan: prices based on suppliers' cost to Town.  
796 Standard Specifications: fifty-((three))SIX dollars ((and fifty cents (\$53.50))) (\$56.00) per copy in stock;  
797 restock items based on suppliers' cost to Town.  
798 Accident report: five dollars and ((fifty)) SEVENTY-FIVE cents ((((\$5.50))) (\$5.75)  
799 Xerographic copies: twenty cents (\$0.20) per page.  
800 Miscellaneous promotional items: based on suppliers' cost to town.

801  
802 **§ 101-14. Payment of fees and charges.**

803 All moneys due and payable to the Town of La Plata shall be collected solely by the Town  
804 Treasurer through the Finance Department of the Town of La Plata or through such county or state agency  
805 as deemed appropriate by the Town.  
806

807 **§ 101-15. Penalty on overdue taxes.**

808 When real property taxes are overdue, the Town will impose a penalty of one third of one percent  
809 (1/3 of 1%) for each month or fraction of a month until paid. This is in addition to the interest imposed in §  
810 C8-15 of the Town Charter.  
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812 **§ 101-16. STORM WATER MANAGEMENT FEE.** THERE SHALL BE A STORM WATER  
813 MANAGEMENT FEE IN THE AMOUNT OF THREE DOLLARS AND SEVENTY-FIVE CENTS  
814 (\$3.75) COLLECTED QUARTERLY FROM EACH UTILITY ACCOUNT. THE PURPOSE OF THE  
815 FEE IS TO FUND THE INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE OF TOWN STORM WATER  
816 MANAGEMENT FACILITIES.  
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818 When personal property and public utilities taxes are overdue, the Town will impose a penalty of  
819 one percent (1%) for each month or fraction of a month until paid.  
820

821 **SECTION 2: AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED** that this Ordinance shall become effective on  
822 July 1, 2009.

**SEAL:**

**COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LA PLATA**

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**Roy G. Hale, Mayor**

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**R. Wayne Winkler, Councilman**

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**C. Keith Back, Councilman**

**ATTEST:**

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**Paretta D. Mudd, Councilwoman**

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**Judith T. Frazier, Town Clerk**  
**Date** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Joseph W. Norris, Councilman**

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