

April 18, 2022

Notice regarding fee for MULTE applications on Inclusionary Housing projects

Dear Development Review Advisory Committee,

Effective July 1, Inclusionary Housing projects seeking approval for the Multiple-Unit Limited Tax Exemption (MULTE) Program will begin paying processing fees due to Multnomah County at permit issuance. Until now, the Portland Housing Bureau has paid these fees to Multnomah County on behalf of the projects.

Current Multnomah County Rates

Current County rates are \$850 per unit in the building receiving the tax exemption up to a maximum amount of \$9,000 per building. PHB reviewers will apply the fees within the City's permitting system.

How Projects Are Affected

Buildings that receive a property tax exemption on 11 or more units will pay the full \$9,000 Multnomah County processing fee. Buildings that have 10 or less units eligible to receive the property tax exemption will pay \$850 per exempted unit.

The number of units which are eligible to receive the propery tax exemption is dependent on the location, base/built FAR, unit total and unit composition of each building. Buildings that are inside of Central City Plan District are typically eligible to receive the MULTE on the entirety of the residential improvements and therefore will typically be assessed the full \$9,000 MULTE County fee. All other buildings will be assessed the fee based off of the number of units restricted under the Inclusionary Housing Program.

Timeline

The fees apply to any new permits which have not gone through pre-screening and are not yet under review as of July 1, 2022.

Questions

Cassie Graves, Housing Program Coordinator for the Portland Housing Bureau's Development Incentives team, will be available for further questions both at the upcoming DRAC Meeting on Thursday, April 21, 2022 as well as by phone or email.

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