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Changes Coming to Single-Family Permitting Process

The City of Tacoma's Planning and Development Services Department will completely renovate how it processes single-family home permits. While renewing this process there will also be adjustment made to the residential permit fees at the same time.

Beginning Friday, June 1, Development Services will require only one permit application for a new single-family home, rather than the current process which can require up to nine separate permit applications to complete, monitor, and have inspected during home construction. This shift will save time for permit applicants and result in quicker permit review and acceptance. This new process is called the Combination Permit.

Along with simplifying this process and an increase in service levels, the City will be combining permit and plan review fees into four categories, all of which are based on a percentage of the value of the work being performed. To view the current fee structure as well as the updated fee sheet, visit tacomapermits.org.

"These new fees will allow the City to be more agile in the future, by allowing us to adjust our processes and resources to respond to customers' needs with the appropriate staffing levels to review, issue, and inspect permits," said Corey Newton, residential review team manager. "All of these renovations are aimed toward building a livable, sustainable, and safe city."

The Tacoma City Council adopted [Resolution No. 39987](#) relating to permitting fees on Tuesday, April 17, 2018. For more information, visit tacomapermits.org or contact Newton at cnewton@cityoftacoma.org or (253) 591-5765.

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