

CCAC Review and Comment

Legislative and/or Code Information

Bill number(s) description (if applicable) – Attach Bill language 2SS-CG001-3, Article 12 Annual Report

326B.145 ANNUAL REPORT

- (a) Each municipality shall annually report by June 30 to the department, in a format prescribed by the department, all construction and development-related fees collected by the municipality from developers, builders, and subcontractors if the cumulative fees collected exceeded \$5,000 \$7,000 in the reporting year, except that, for reports due June 30, 2009, to June 30, 2013, the reporting threshold is \$10,000.
 - (b) The report must include:
 - (1) the number and valuation of units for which fees were paid;
- (2) the amount of building permit fees, plan review fees, administrative fees, engineering fees, infrastructure fees, and other construction and development-related fees; and
- (3) the expenses associated with the municipal activities for which fees were collected, including a separate listing of costs associated with conducting inspections for each of the following categories:
 - (i) labor;
 - (ii) transportation;
 - (iv) any other expenses incurred by the municipality as a result of conducting inspections.
- (c) A municipality that collects \$7,000 or less in a reporting year from all construction and development-related fees shall report that the municipality collected \$7,000 or less in the reporting year by indicating as such on a form provided by the department.
- (d) In developing the form for reporting, the department must include a list of common definitions for all categories of construction and development-related fees collected by municipalities. A municipality that collects a fee not included in the common list of definitions must report the fee as "other" and provide an explanation of the fee.
- (e) A municipality that fails to report to the department in accordance with this section is subject to the remedies provided by section 326B.082.

Subject/Building Code Section(s)

Building Code Administration Minnesota Statute 326B.145

Technical Advisory Group (TAG)		
TAG Formed ⊠ Yes □ No	Title of TAG: Building Code Series 1 TAG	
TAG Members Scott McKown Irene Kao Charlie Vander Aarde Nick Erickson Brian Hoffman Kurt Welker Karen Gridley Barry Greive Simona Fischer John Smith Ken Hinz	Affiliations/Representing MN DLI/CCLD; Assistant Director League of Minnesota Cities Metro Cities Housing First Minnesota City of St. Louis Park; Association of MN Building Officials Welker Custom Homes; Builders Association of MN MN DLI/CCLD; Accessibility Specialist Target Corporation; Building Owners MSR Design; MN American Institute of Architects Michaud Cooley Erickson; Building Systems Design and Engineering Practices CBS Construction Services, Inc; Contractors	
TAG Meeting Date(s) 11/9/2021; 11/23/2021; 12/7/2021; 12/21/21		

TAG Comments/Recommendations – Attachment
Yes
No

- 1. The TAG members support raising the reporting fee threshold to \$7,000.
- 2. The proposed reporting requirements are similar to those in the current annual report form which requires municipalities to report expenses for employee salaries and benefits, transportation, office space, supplies and equipment, and administrative overhead associated with building code enforcement. TAG consensus is that the proposed language will result in municipalities reporting the same information as they do currently and as such, is not needed.
- 3. Some TAG members and legislators had concerns that the current annual report form does not provide for sufficient breakdown of fees and expenditures for infrastructure and park dedication. Additional detail is needed related to amounts collected and expended on trail dedication, streets, and sewers. The form can be revised administratively to include additional detail without any changes to statutory language. DLI and the League of Minnesota Cities will continue to work with stakeholders to capture this additional information.

Suggested language as follows:

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Criteria Addressed (check all that apply)			
🗵 Eliminating inconsistencies 🔻 Promoting coordination & consistency 🗀 Making rules easier to understand & apply			
Streamlining construction regulation & construction procedures Improving procedures within and among jurisdictions			
CCAC Comments & Recommendations			
A motion was made by Paradise, seconded by Smith, to approve the Technical Advisory Group Report on Changes to the Municipal reporting form. The roll call vote was unanimous with 18 votes in favor.			
Date of CCAC Meeting: January 20, 2022			
Prepared by/Name & Title	Date		
Scott McLellan, Construction Codes Advisory Council Chair	January 21, 2022		