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MEDIA ADVISORY

MARION COUNTY BUILDING DEPARTMENT ESTABLISHES NEW FEES TO HELP THE CONSTRUCTION COMMUNITY

Marion County Building Department has established new permit fees for both residential and commercial projects. Plus, the department will provide "bundling" when it comes to inspections. It all starts August 4, 2008.

"This new plan of customer service provides contractors opportunities to save both time and potentially a great deal of money during construction projects," said Judge Cochran, Marion County Public Information Officer.

The minimum permit fee is \$430 for new residential and commercial projects. Other projects require a minimum fee of \$65 for permits with no plans review and \$115 for permits with plan review. All permit applications must include a deposit (non-refundable) which will be credited to the cost of the permit. Deposit fees shall be \$200 for new commercial permits, \$100 for new residential permits and \$50 for all other permits.

Permit fees for new construction projects will be calculated based upon the total square footage under roof applicable to construction, plus a base fee. You can see the full list of permit fee changes by logging onto www.marioncountyfl.org.

The bundling of services will allow an inspector to conduct 4-5 inspections during one visit. "All of our inspectors are crossed trained. So, it's a valuable program to provide all-in-one service to the construction community," said interim John Schulkers, director of the Building Department.

Also, effective August 4th, all permit applications submitted by 3:00pm Monday through Friday, will be issued a permit number by 9:00am the following workday. This includes fax permits, drop-offs and e-permits.

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