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AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 14, "PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT," OF THE GREENBELT CITY CODE BY ADDING A NEW ARTICLE IV FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING FEES FOR THE REVIEW OF PLANNING AND ZONING APPLICATIONS

WHEREAS, plans and applications for development in the City of Greenbelt are reviewed by City planning staff, the Advisory Planning Board, and the City Council; and

WHEREAS, this review consumes a significant amount of planning staff time; and

WHEREAS, the cost for the review of development plans is typically offset, in part, through the collection of filing fees by the reviewing agency; and

WHEREAS, there is no such cost recovery mechanism set forth in the City Code; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that an application fee system be established in order to allow for at least a partial recovery of personnel costs associated with the review of planning, zoning, and development applications, based on the fee structure charged by the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission. NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, that Chapter 14, be amended to read as follows:

Chapter 14

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

<u>ARTICLE IV</u>

PLANNING AND ZONING REVIEW

Sec. 14-82. Purpose.

In order to provide for the review and consideration of planning and zoning applications for zoning and development proposals within the City of Greenbelt, but not specified elsewhere in this chapter.

Sec. 14-83. Applications.

A person(s) who has filed a planning and zoning application with the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (the" Commission") for which review and comment by the city is either sought or required, shall file with the city an application. Such application shall state the name of the development or project, the location, nature of the proposal, land area, size of building or number of lots, zoning classification, Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission case number and hearing date (if known), and other information as specified on the application. The application shall be filed with the Department of Planning and Community Development concurrent with filing of the plan(s) with the Commission. The applicant shall provide three complete copies of all plans, reports, renderings, or any other information required for the application filed with the Commission.

Sec. 14-84. Fees.

The applicant shall pay to the city a filing fee equal to 50% of the fee required by and paid to the Commission. The subject application will not be reviewed unless the filing fee is paid in full.

Sec. 14-85. Application review.

A minimum of 60 days is required for the review and consideration of the subject application(s). The applicant shall agree to postpone consideration of the application by the Commission to provide the specified review period by the city.

PASSED by the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, at its regular meeting of August 8, 2005.

Midith F. Davis, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kathleen Gallagher, City Clerk

Key:

Underscoring indicates language added to existing law.

Asterisks *** indicate intervening existing Code provisions that remain unchanged.