

Seattle Department of Transportation Street Use Permit Fee Schedule, Effective January 1, 2017
Activities that use the public right-of-way and that block mobility

Use Code	Use Description	Applicable Base Permit Fee (see explanation below)	Use Fee (Short Term)
3A	street or sidewalk barricading for temporary private use (e.g.: grand openings, special activities)	\$146	ON NON-ARTERIAL mo 1 = no fee mo 2&3 = \$.10/sf/10d mo 4&5 = \$.20/sf/10d mo 6&7 = \$.40/sf/10d mo 8&9 = \$.80/sf/10d mo 10+ = \$1.20/sf/10d ON ARTERIAL mo 1 = \$.10/sf/10d mo 2 = \$.20/sf/10d mo 3 = \$.40/sf/10d mo 4 = \$.80/sf/10d mo 5 = \$1.20/sf/10d
3B	street or sidewalk barricading associated with the Farmers Market Program		None
3C	street barricading associated with the Festival Street Program		
15	Installing or removing public art	\$138	None
13	temporary placement of materials not for construction use (e.g.: bus or horse carriage staging)	\$146	ON NON-ARTERIAL mo 1 = no fee mo 2&3 = \$.10/sf/10d mo 4&5 = \$.20/sf/10d mo 6&7 = \$.40/sf/10d mo 8&9 = \$.80/sf/10d mo 10+ = \$1.20/sf/10d ON ARTERIAL mo 1 = \$.10/sf/10d mo 2 = \$.20/sf/10d mo 3 = \$.40/sf/10d mo 4 = \$.80/sf/10d mo 5 = \$1.20/sf/10d
22	shoring and excavation within and adjacent to right-of-way (may be associated with DPD building permits)	\$146	ON ARTERIAL mo 1 = \$.10/sf/10d mo 2 = \$.20/sf/10d mo 3 = \$.40/sf/10d mo 4 = \$.80/sf/10d mo 5 = \$1.20/sf/10d
29B	installing or removing fences, stairs, overhead structures, and other related private structures installing or removing rockeries, retaining walls, and other related retaining structures	\$305	
31	construction use, including staging and material storage, in transportation corridors installing, maintaining, or removing awnings or marquees		

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40	street and alley paving less than 750 sq. ft.	\$305	None
41	transit-stop-related infrastructure, including shelter, signage, bench installation, repair, or removal; does not include utility installations		
44	use of mobile crane, manlift, boom truck, pump truck, etc.		
50	Scaffold, swing staging, scissor lift with mobility impacts	\$146	None
45	commercial or multi-use construction street improvement (public improvements by private development)		
45A	single family residential construction street improvement (public improvements by private development)		
33A	trucks/equipment working within ROW (per vehicle/calendar year) no ground breaking allowed	\$138	
31B	Single-family construction/debris dumpster or storage containers (residential use)	\$138	<p>ON NON-ARTERIAL mo 1 = no fee mo 2&3 = \$.10/sf/10d mo 4&5 = \$.20/sf/10d mo 6&7 = \$.40/sf/10d mo 8&9 = \$.80/sf/10d mo 10 + = \$1.20/sf/10d</p> <p>ON ARTERIAL mo 1 = \$.10/sf/10d mo 2 = \$.20/sf/10d mo 3 = \$.40/sf/10d mo 4 = \$.80/sf/10d mo 5 = \$1.20/sf/10d</p>

Utility activities that use the public right-of-way and that block mobility				
Use Code	Use Description	Applicable Base Permit Fee (see explanation below)	Use Fee (Short Term)	
51	utility system construction	\$146	ON NON-ARTERIAL mo 1 = no fee mo 2&3 = \$.10/sf/10d mo 4&5 = \$.20/sf/10d mo 6&7 = \$.40/sf/10d mo 8&9 = \$.80/sf/10d mo 10+ = \$1.20/sf/10d ON ARTERIAL mo 1 = \$.10/sf/10d mo 2 = \$.20/sf/10d mo 3 = \$.40/sf/10d mo 4 = \$.80/sf/10d mo 5 = \$1.20/sf/10d	
51A	utility main line or inserts			
51B	installing, maintaining, replacing, or removing utility poles or street lights	\$305		
51C	installing, maintaining, replacing, or removing utility aerial lines			
51D	installing or maintaining natural gas lines and short segments (less than 100 lineal feet) of natural gas mains			
51E	utility maintenance work that does not require any restoration			
51G	utility service connections installed by private party			
51H	installing or maintaining electrical or telecommunication lines			
51I	preparatory or exploratory work for upcoming projects, including surveying, installing monitoring wells, and soil sampling			
51J	Installing or maintaining water lines by a public utility agency			
51K	Installing or maintaining sewer or drainage lines			
51L	maintaining existing transportation infrastructure			
51M	utility cut pavement restoration			
51N	franchise utility maintenance, including steam mains, pipelines, and railroads			
51O	private water service lines less than 2 inches in diameter			
51F	use of right-of-way for staging, curb crossing or excavation related to side sewer work			None

Activities that use the public right-of-way that involve little to no mobility blockage			
Use Code	Use Description	Applicable Base Permit Fee (see explanation below)	Use Fee (Long Term)
22B	permanent soldier pile located within the right-of-way (must be removed to a point 4 feet below adjacent grade)	\$305	\$1011/pile
25	construct, repair, maintain, or remove asphalt driveway		None
26	construct concrete driveways ("Curb Cut" permits issued by DPD)		None
26A	remove concrete driveway and restore curb ("Curb Cut Closure")		
31D	construction use in unimproved right-of-way, including staging or material storage that is not in a transportation corridor		\$.51/sf
34	grade and rock (temporary)		None
35	clear and grub with ground disturbance greater than 1 cubic yard		
38	paving or pavement removal in planting strip or shoulder		
38A	Green Factor as approved by DPD		
47	cross curb and sidewalk with equipment		
50A	scaffold or other barrier that provides for pedestrian mobility and public protection with no mobility impacts		
52A	event pole banners of limited duration [up to four contiguous blocks per permit]		
52C	seasonal lights/decorations of limited duration		\$146
54A	miscellaneous private temporary uses		

Activities that have value to the general citizenry				
Use Code	Use Description	Applicable Base Permit Fee (see explanation below)	Use Fee (Short Term)	
1	planting strip beautification, may include planting flowers, shrubs, and other vegetation and installing low planting boxes and pavers related to gardening	None	None	
1A	tree pruning			
1B	tree planting			
1C	tree removal			
1D	unimproved right-of-way and shoulder beautification, including cleaning underbrush and planting vegetation with minimal ground disturbance of 1 cubic yard or less			
5A	clocks with Historic or Landmark designation			
54	miscellaneous uses for use of public places per SMC 15.04.100			
54B	residential street barricading associated with a Neighborhood Block Party			
54C	temporary barricading associated with emergency landslide or other debris			
55	sidewalk, driveway, or curb repair and maintenance (less than 100 sq. ft.) including caulking, sealing, or grinding			
55A	sidewalk, driveway, or curb repairs and maintenance (between 100 -1,999 sq. ft.)			\$305

Miscellaneous		
Use Code	Use Description	Applicable Base Permit Fee (see explanation below)
57	nonvending-related impound fee	\$97 per occurrence
58	sign removal	\$78 per sign or poster
59	mobility impact surcharge	\$384
45P	plat reviews	\$209 Hourly Fee (subject to annual adjustment)

Activities that occur over more than one year (“Annual Permit”)			
Use Code	Use Description	Applicable Base Permit Fee (see explanation below)	Use Fee (Short Term)
2	small directional signs	\$146 (first year); \$140 (subsequent years)	N/A
2B	portable signs (i.e.: sandwich board signs, "A" frames, etc.)		
3D	street and sidewalk barricading for annual private use		
5	clocks		
6	signs, flags, or other advertising projecting over right-of-way (minimum 3 inches not to exceed 6 foot maximum)		
6A	wayfinding kiosks		
7B	ramp primary access over underwater street		
8	private mechanical or electrical building appurtenances		
9	private underground vaults or ducts		
14	miscellaneous renewable uses		
15A	long-term maintenance of privately-owned-public art		
16A	areaways existing prior to January 1, 1995: inactive		
17	existing sidewalk elevator doors		
18C	tables and chairs open to the public: maximum of 4 tables with 2 chairs each		
19A	vending activity in an attended newsstand		
21A	non-public utilities		
21B	underground storage tank: decommissioned		
27A	stanchions		
29A	long-term maintenance of fences, stairs, handrails, rockeries, retaining walls and related structures		
48	building maintenance over ROW (per building)		
52	street decorations, including benches, planters, bike racks, decorations, etc.		
52B	identification pole banners annual use (up to four contiguous blocks per permit)		
53	parklets open to public use (defined in, and contingent upon adoption of pending legislation)		

Long term uses of the right-of-way authorized by City Council (“Term Permit”)			
Use Code	Use Description		Applicable Base Permit Fee (see explanation below)
			Use Fee (Short Term)
61C	pipelines and steam mains under franchise agreement		Fees determined by ordinance
61D	other miscellaneous long-term uses		
61E	sub-surface:	utility tunnels/ structures	$(\text{Land value}) \times (\text{Use area}) \times (\text{Rate of return}) \times (\text{Degree of Alienation}) = \text{Annual fee}$ Refer to Table A: Degree of Alienation Factor
61F		vehicle/ pedestrian tunnels	
61G	at-grade:	public plazas, artwork	
61H		structures, restricted access	
61I		utility structures	
61J	above grade*:	overhead building structures (excluding skybridges and vehicle bridges/ ramps)	
61K		skybridges (private use)	
61L		skybridges (public use)	
61M		skybridges (semi-public use)	
61N		vehicle bridge	
61O		vehicle ramp	
61P		sub-surface, at-grade, or above-grade:	sustainable building features**

Occupation of right-of-way (“Annual Permit”)			
Use Code	Use Description	Applicable Base Permit Fee (see explanation below)	UseFee (Long Term Occupancy)
2A	fixed ground signs	\$146 (first year); \$140 (subsequent years)	\$590/yr
21	underground storage tank: non-decommissioned		
7	long-term maintenance of structures and overhangs		\$.51/sf/yr
12	material storage including storage associated with commercial/industrial long-term uses with no mobility impacts		
16	areaways existing prior to January 1, 1995: active		
18B	sidewalk cafes		
18A	merchandise displays		\$1.56/sf/yr

Occupation of underwater street (“Annual Permits”)			
Use Code	Use Description	Applicable Base Permit Fee (see explanation below)	Use Fee (Long Term Occupancy)
7A	structures and overhangs in underwater streets	\$146 (first year); \$140 (subsequent years)	\$0.14/sf/mo
12A	moorage in underwater street		
WW100	installations and overhangs in state waterways		
WW200	moorage in state waterways		
WW250	temporary moorage or other uses of state waterways		
WW150	non-profit organizations water safety for youth		None

Per ordinance or council action (“Annual Permits”)				
Use Code	Use Description	Applicable Base Permit Fee (see explanation below)	Occupation Fee (Long Term)	Use Fee (Short Term)
11	shoreline street ends [land portion]	(Land value) x (Use area) x (Rate of return) x (Demand probability) x (Maritime Industrial Use Discount Factor) = Annual fee \$140 minimum fee		

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Vending Permits				
Use Code	Use Description	Applicable Base Permit Fee (see explanation below)	Parking/ Occupation Fee (Long Term)	Program Administration Fee
19B	1 st Amendment vending	\$40/yr	\$35/mo	None
19C	Stadium Event vending (April-September)	\$146	\$170/mo	
19D	Stadium Event vending (October-March)		\$110/mo	
19E	vending from a public place sidewalk or plaza DAY 6am-8pm		\$1.56/sf	\$344
19F	vending from a public place sidewalk or plaza NIGHT 8pm-6am			\$688
19G	food-vehicle zone vending (DAY 6am-8pm)		\$468 (each 4- HR period x each day of the wk)	\$344
19H	food-vehicle zone vending (NIGHT 8pm-6am)			\$688
19I	temporary curb space vending		N/A	None
19J	mobile-food vending			

Other Fees and Charges	
Hourly Charge for Plan Review Hourly Charge for Inspection	\$209 (subject to annual adjustment) \$209 (subject to annual adjustment)
Premium hourly rate (e.g. Overtime Inspections)	\$367 (subject to annual adjustment)
Modification of Permit – Modifications to previously-approved and issued permits are limited to unforeseen physical circumstances that arise in the course of construction. Modifications do not require a new base fee. Hourly plan review and inspection fees still apply.	\$155
No Permit fee / No Job Start Fee	\$300
A Deposit may be required	Amount determined based on services requested
Hourly Charge for project-related review requested by Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections. Such review includes but is not limited to review of applications for project permits defined by RCW 36.70B.020, work on project-related Environmental Impact Statements, and pre-submittal conferences and coordination.	\$209 (subject to annual adjustment)
Base Permit Fee	Base Permit Fee allows for multiples use codes to be reviewed as part of the overall project permit. The time to review and inspect, as needed, is not included in the base permit fee.

The Department of Transportation is directed to use the vending Street Use permit fees credited to the Transportation Operating Fund for the following purposes: administering the vending program, including notifying property owners abutting a proposed vending site designated by the Department of Transportation; verifying property boundaries and square footage of usage; designating pre-approved vending sites by the Department of Transportation; signing and demarcating designated vending sites and food-vehicle zones; attending meetings or hearings; preparing documents, legislation, forms, and notices; inspecting and enforcing permitted or illegal vending activity; or engaging in any other vending-related activity as directed by the Director of Transportation.

Fee Methodology Factors and Descriptions

Factor	Description
Land value:	For Term permits, the value of the use area in the right-of-way shall be based on the abutting parcel's current per-square-foot land value as determined by the King County Assessor. If the use area extends beyond the right-of-way centerline or abuts multiple parcels, the permit fee shall be calculated by averaging the abutting parcels' current land values. For Shoreline Street End permits, the value of the use area in the right-of-way shall be based on the abutting parcel's current per-square-foot land

value as determined by the King County Assessor. If the use area extends beyond the centerline of the right-of-way or abuts multiple parcels, the permit fee shall be calculated for each portion of the use area according to the current per-square-footland value of the abutting parcels.

If all parcels abutting the Term or Shoreline Street End permitted use area are government-owned and the parcels are not tax assessed in whole or in part by King County, the parcels shall be excluded when establishing the Term or Shoreline Street End permit fee. To determine the permit fee, the current per-square-foot land value as determined by the King County Assessor of the closest privately-owned parcel or parcels with the same zoning or shoreline designation of the Term or Shoreline Street End permitted use area shall be averaged. If the next closest privately-owned parcel or parcels do not have the same underlying zoning or shoreline designation as the abutting government-owned parcel, the Seattle Department of Transportation shall consult with the City Appraiser. The City Appraiser shall determine if the next closest parcel or parcels with similar zoning or shoreline designation reasonably establishes the current per-square-foot land value of the use area in the right of way for fee calculation purposes.

Use area:	Square footage of the permitted encroachment in the right-of-way, as authorized by Seattle Department of Transportation.
Rate of return:	Annualized rate of return on market value of the right-of-way, as established by the City Appraiser or a State of Washington Certified General Real Estate Appraiser retained by the Director of Transportation.
Degree of alienation:	For Term permits, the degree of impact on the public, utilities, right-of-way, and other potential uses of the right-of-way based on City policy, as established by Seattle Department of Transportation. Refer to Table A: Degree of Alienation Factor.
Demand probability:	For Shoreline Street End permits, the estimated demand of probable use shall be based on factors that include, but are not limited to, location, access, size, view, and topography; as established by the City Appraiser or a State of Washington Certified General Real Estate Appraiser retained by the Director of Transportation. Refer to Attachment A: Demand Probability Factor. The Director of Transportation is authorized to update Attachment A based upon the recommendations of the City Appraiser or a State of Washington Certified General Real Estate Appraiser. The new Demand Probability Factor shall become effective when the updated Demand Probability Factor is adopted by rule.
Maritime Industrial Use Discount Factor:	To support the City's policies of protecting its maritime uses, a 50 percent discount factor shall apply to that portion of the Shoreline Street End occupied by a legally-established water-dependant or water-related use as defined in Seattle Municipal Code Section 23.60.944.

The Department of Transportation is directed to use the shoreline street end permit fees credited to the Transportation Operating Fund for the following purposes:

- (a) Notifying property owners that abut shoreline street ends of the need for permits for private use of the street end and of the fee schedule;

- (b) Administering and inspecting shoreline street end use;
- (c) Verifying property boundaries and area of use;
- (d) Matching funds for neighborhood improvements of shoreline street ends for public use;
- (e) Signing, demarcating, and maintaining shoreline street ends;
- (f) Funding street and sidewalk improvements within a half-block radius of any of the shoreline street ends identified in Exhibit A to Resolution 29370 that directly contribute to public access to the shoreline street end.

Table A: Degree of Alienation Factor				
Use code:	Use description:		Examples:	Factor rate:
61E	sub-surface*:	utility tunnels/structures	Privately-maintained utility tunnels connecting parcels	0.3
61F		vehicle/pedestrian tunnels	Underground pedestrian concourses	0.25
61G	at-grade:	public plazas, artwork	Privately-maintained public plazas	0.1
61H		Structures/restricted access	Building encroachments, skybridge columns	0.8
61I		utility structures	Wastewater pump stations	0.5
61J	above grade*:	overhead building structures	Building roof projections	0.75
61K		skybridges (private use)	Skybridges connecting office building or condominium garage access	2.0
61L		skybridges (public use)	Skybridges connecting to the public transportation network	0.1
61M		skybridges (semi-public use)	Skybridges connecting hospitals, department stores, hotels/convention centers	0.75
61N		vehicle bridges	Overhead vehicle bridges connecting private structures	0.5
61O		vehicle ramps	Privately-owned vehicle ramps connecting to a portion of the public transportation network (portion of ramp may be at-grade)	0.2
61P		sub-surface, at-grade, or above-grade:	sustainable building features**	A building appurtenance identified as being necessary to achieve the Living Building Challenge or LEED platinum certification; including but not limited to photovoltaic arrays, wind generators, or cisterns.

* Portions of sub-surface or above-grade structures, such as columns or stairwells, may be located at grade. Except for vehicle ramps, the total value of the term permit annual fee shall be calculated by adding the value of the at-grade use area to the value of the sub-surface or above-grade use area.

** In order to qualify for this term permit use code, the development must be participating in the City's Living Building Pilot Program, be capable of achieving Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) platinum certification, or both.