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The Fee Subtitle, Chapter 22.900 of the Seattle Municipal Code, prescribes fees for various permits, reviews and inspections. This rule provides clarification for the SEPA Review of Tree and Vegetation Removal permit applications.

According to 22.900C, Table C-1 B-3, SEPA review associated with construction or land use applications has a minimum fee of \$2,500.00 for the first 10 hours of review. Previously, by Directors Rule, the minimum fee associated with SEPA review when the scope of the SEPA review was limited to tree or vegetation removal within an Environmentally Critical Area (ECA), and SEPA was required only because of the fact that vegetation or trees proposed to be removed were within an ECA, had been reduced from \$2500.00 (which covered the first 10 hours of review) to \$500.00 (which allowed for 2 hours of review, with additional hours being charged at \$250/hour). As a part of the adoption of the 2005 DPD Fee Subtitle and associated Directors Rule 1-2005, this language relating to tree or vegetation removal permits was inadvertently deleted. This rule replaces that language.

Rule:

When a SEPA review is limited to the removal of tree or other vegetation within an ECA, the minimum SEPA review fee for tree or vegetation removal shall be \$500.00 for the first 2 hours of review, with any additional hours to be billed at the hourly rate of \$250 per hour.