

SECTION 14

INSPECTION FEE

General

1. The Department of Transportation is authorized to collect inspection fees on all new subdivision streets construction projects, whether public or private. When fees are collected they shall be collected from the project developer or owner prior to the start of any aspect of street construction. The fee shall be made payable to the Department of Transportation, at the rate of 10% of the estimated cost of construction as approved by the Division of Highways for the involved streets. This fee shall cover a period of two (2) years from the date of the Notice to Proceed. If construction is not completed within the two year period, an annual renewal fee of one-half (1/2) the current inspection fee shall be required. This fee must be paid at the beginning of each additional year of construction.
2. A Notice to Proceed with initial construction will not be issued until the inspection fee has been collected by the Department of Transportation.
3. In the event that a developer fails to comply with the renewal fee requirements within 100 days of receipt of written notification, the Department of Transportation shall initiate forfeiture of the performance bond. Where bond monies are not held, as in the case of a private street, the Department shall seek cooperation from the appropriate count/agency to stop issuance of any additional building permits until the renewal fee is paid.
4. Notice to Process on additional street construction projects within a development shall not be issued until all outstanding inspection fees have been collected.

Fee Adjustment

Based on periodic Department review of the cost of subdivision street inspection, adjustments to the inspection fee may be made by the Secretary of the Department of Transportation. Adjustments to the inspection fee will be recommended to the Secretary of Transportation by the PS & E Engineer for his approval.