ORDINANCE NO. 2026-0002

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF KENSETT PERMIT FEE SCHEDULE Ordinance 2008-2; REPEALING CONFLICTING PROVISIONS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Kensett, Arkansas, has previously adopted a permit fee schedule governing building, fence, accessory building, sign, swimming pool, plumbing, HVAC, electrical, demolition, plan review, certificate of occupancy, inspection, violation, and related permit fees within the city; and

WHEREAS the City Council finds that it is necessary and appropriate to amend the prior permit fee schedule so that the city may administer permits, inspections, plan reviews, certificates of occupancy, violation fees, and related municipal services in an orderly, consistent, and enforceable manner; and

WHEREAS, the permit fee schedule set forth below is intended to amend and supersede the previously adopted permit fee schedule to the extent of any conflict.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENSETT, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Amendment of Prior Ordinance or Fee Schedule. The prior ordinance, resolution, schedule, or other municipal action establishing the City of Kensett permit fee schedule is hereby amended. The permit fee schedule contained in this Ordinance shall be the official permit fee schedule for the City of Kensett and shall control over any prior inconsistent fee, charge, condition, note, or administrative provision.

SECTION 2. Adoption of Permit Fee Schedule. The following City of Kensett Permit Fee Schedule is hereby adopted the Arkansas Mechanical Code, for Building, the most recent Plumbing, Electrical and ICC For the purpose of this Ordinance, The building official, his or her assistants, or any individual assigned by the Mayor, shall be the "Administrative Authority" authorized to enforce the provisions of the ICC's code. and incorporated into this Ordinance as though fully set forth herein:

City of Kensett Permit Fee Schedule- any building project over $500.00 requires building permit.

Building Permits:

Residential New - $15.00 plus $.30 per square foot under roof plus $25.00 Certificate of Occupancy, including built in car garage. Minimum building permit $15.00 for the first 1,000. Anything above shall be calculated by new or remodeled fees.

Residential Remodel / Addition - $15.00 Plus $2.00 per $1000.00 cost of job (Minimum $25.00)

Commercial New - $15.00 plus $2.00 per $1000.00 cost of construction plus a $50.00 fee for Certificate of Occupancy
Commercial Remodel / Addition - $15.00 Plus $2.00 per $1000.00 cost of job (Minimum $50.00) Plus $50.00 Certificate of Occupancy.

Mobile Homes- Single wide $50.00

Double Wide - $100.00 (one concrete runner inspection, included in inspection.

Tiny homes/house- $25.00
Carport/car shed- $25.00

(all other permits that are not building permits are sold separately)

Miscellaneous repairs:
Such as but not limited to porch/porch roof, steps, handy cap ramps, floor patch, roof patch, while the cost is $300 or below or $500 and above. Shall be calculated by building permit schedule.

Fence Permits:

Residential - $15.00 Maximum height 6 ft

Commercial - $15.00 plus $2 per $1,000.00 cost of job. Maximum height 6 ft

Accessory Building:

$15.00 plus $2.00 per $1000.00 cost of job (Minimum $15.00) Exception: 200 sq.ft. or less. MOVE IN Buildings OR SITE Buildings

Signs:

$15.00 plus $2.00 per $1,000.00 cost of construction (Plus electrical permit if necessary)

Swimming Pools:

Residential - $15.00 plus $2.00 per $1000.00 cost of the job. Plus, Electrical permit if necessary ($50.00)

Commercial - $50.00 plus $2.00 per $1,000.00 cost of job. Plus, electrical permit if necessary ($50.00)

Plumbing Permits:

Up to 3 inspections

Residential New - $50.00

Residential Remodel / Addition - $50.00

Commercial New - $50.00

Commercial Remodel / Addition - $50.00

New Apartments - $50.00 per Building plus $15.00 per apartment

Replacement of Water and Sewer Service Line - $50.00

If the building contractor does not include the cost of job in the cost of the building permit of a new construction job, the plumbing permit will be calculated the same as the building permit.

Any extra/re-inspections will be a additional $35.00

HVAC Permits:

Up to 2 inspections

Residential - $35.00 plus $15.00 per unit

Commercial - $50.00 plus $15.00 per unit

New Apartments - $50.00 per Building plus $15.00 per apartment

Apartments New Construction - $50.00 per building plus $15.00 per unit

Any extra/re-inspections will be an additional $35.00

Electrical Permits:
Up to 4 inspections

Residential - $50.00

Commercial - $50.00

New Apartments - $50.00 per Building plus $15.00 per meter

Swimming Pools - $50.00

Signs - $50.00

Miscellaneous - $50.00

If the building contractor does not include the cost of the building permit of a new construction job, the electrical permit will be calculated the same as the building permit.

Any extra/re-inspections will be a additional $35.00

Demolition Permits:

Residential - $15.00

Commercial - $15.00

Certificate of Occupancy:

Residential - $25.00

Commercial - $25.00

Any Recall Inspection: $35.00

Additional Inspections: $35.00 per inspection (this is not a recall inspection)

Violation Fees: Permits must be applied for by coming in and purchasing a permit before work begins or the permit to the pertaining portion of work may be doubled & a fine of $100.00 will be added.

Each unit has a separate address, so they need a separate building permit.

All other permits will be charged by the proper fees.

All permits are given 2 to 4 inspections depending on the permit type.

Any construction job that requires more than the maximum will be charged an additional inspection of $35.00 per visit, unless arrangements have been made with the inspectors.

SECTION 3. Administration and Enforcement. City officials, employees, inspectors, and authorized representatives are hereby authorized to administer and enforce the permit fee schedule adopted by this Ordinance. Permit applicants shall pay all applicable fees before issuance of a permit unless otherwise authorized by the City.

SECTION 4. Repealed. All ordinances, resolutions, schedules, policies, or parts thereof in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict. All provisions not in conflict shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 5. Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this Ordinance is held invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 6. Emergency Clause. The City Council finds that the immediate amendment and adoption of the City permit fee schedule is necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and welfare because the City must be able to timely process permits, conduct inspections, issue certificates of occupancy, collect applicable fees, and enforce construction and safety requirements without delay. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and approval as provided by law; provided, however, that any fine, penalty, forfeiture, or deprivation of liberty or property shall not be enforced until publication or posting has occurred as required by law.

SECTION 7. Publication or posting. The City Clerk or Recorder/Treasurer is directed to cause this Ordinance to be published or posted as required by Arkansas law.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 15 day of SEPT, 2026.

CITY OF KENSETT, ARKANSAS

By: Allen Edge
Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk / Recorder-Treasurer