

TOWNSHIP OF VERONA
COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

ORDINANCE No. 2026-09

AMENDING CHAPTER A565 - FEES OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE,
SPECIFICALLY SECTIONS A565-1 SCHEDULE OF FEES,
A565-3 ADMINISTRATIVE FEES AND OTHER FEES AND A565-6
UNIFORM AND CONSTRUCTION CODE FEES

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Verona, County of Essex, New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1: Chapter A565 of the Township Code is amended as follows: [Added text is **emboldened**, and text being eliminated is shown in *strikethrough italics*.]

§ A565-1 Schedule of fees.

Type	Fee
Ch. <u>156</u> , Blasting [Added 6-7-2021 by Ord. No. 2021-17]	
	§ <u>156-4</u> , Application fee blasting permit
	\$1,000 plus \$100 per day of proposed blasting activity
	§ <u>156-5E</u> , Fee for furnishing list of property owners
	\$40
Conversion fee, per unit	\$150
Basic filming fee	\$75
Basic filming permit with expedited processing	\$125
Daily filming fee, per day	\$500
Basic filming permit, nonprofit/educational	\$25
Annual registration	
	15,000 square feet and over
	\$370
	10,000 to 14,999 square feet
	\$250
	5,000 to 9,999 square feet
	\$130
	1,000 to 4,999 square feet
	\$80
	251 to 999 square feet
	\$50
	Up to 250 square feet
	\$30
After Annual Registration	
Residential Certificate of Compliance	
11 or more business days in advance	\$50
4-10 business days in advance	\$70
3 or less business days in advance	\$125
Commercial Certificate of Compliance	
0-5,000 square feet	\$100
5,001-20,000 square feet	\$150
Over 20,001 square feet	\$225
Permit fees for storage of flammable, combustible, hazardous and unstable materials in liquid, gas or solid form	

Ch. 519, Water and Sewers

Type	Fee
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	Inspection of service line	\$25
	Minimum charge for test to determine accuracy of water meter	\$20
	Basic rate per 1,000 gallons of water consumed:	
	Current rate (effective January 1, 2022)	\$5.92
	Temporary water surcharge (expiring 12/31/2024)	\$1
Type		Fee
	Minimum rate for water for any purpose on water consumed less than 3,000 gallons per quarter	
	2024	\$26.64
	2025	\$27.71
	2026	\$28.81
	2027	\$29.97
	2028	\$31.17
	Installation of water services from main to curb (Township roads; additional cost for county or state highways based on time and material):	
	Size (inches)	
	3/4	\$600
	1	\$700
	1 1/2	\$800
	2	\$1,000
	Furnishing and installing meter other than for one- or two-family dwellings	
	Size (inches)	
	5/8 x 3/4	\$250
	1	\$350
	1 1/2	\$550
	2	\$850
	Servicing of water meter	
	Minimum charge for all repairs	\$25
	Relocation of service line	
	Cost of new service, plus specified amount for discontinuance of existing service	\$150
	Water used for construction purposes	
	Minimum charge	\$100
	Use of nonmetered fire plug and hydrant, annually, per hydrant	\$500
	Cost of shutting off water as Township action	\$20
	Cost of turning on water as Township action	\$20
	Cost of shutting off water at owner's request	\$20
	Cost of turning on water at owner's request	\$20
	Application for installation of refrigeration and air-conditioning system	\$15
	Final reading	\$25 \$50
	Building sewer permit	\$50
	Sewer extension permit	\$100
	Quarterly sewer user charge for all users, per equivalent connection (billed in quarterly installments)	

§ A565-3 Administrative and other fees.

[Added 4-5-1999 by Ord. No. 1-99; amended 3-21-2005 by Ord. No. 5-2005; 12-8-2015 by Ord. No. 16-15]

Administrative and other fees are as follows:

Type	Fee
Tax Map	\$5
Township Map	\$1
Reproduction	
Letter size, per page	\$0.05
Legal size, per page	\$0.07
Special Service Charge – Body Worn Camera Footage	
Adoption of Fee Ordinance – 6/30/2026	\$37.47/hr (\$0.62/minute)
July 1, 2026 – December 31, 2026	\$38.57/hr (\$0.64/minute)
January 1, 2027 – December 31, 2027	\$40.86/hr (\$0.68/minute)
Requests for body worn or dash cam footage with run times of less than one (1) hour shall be provided free of charge	
The special service fee shall not apply to discovery requests or requests made by individuals who are listed in a police report or who have a direct on-camera interaction with police officer	
Transaction Fees	
Credit and Debit Card	Up to 3.4% + \$0.30
Google and Apple Pay	Up to 3.4% + \$0.30
E-Check and ACH	Up to \$1.95 or 0.65% depending on platform
Transaction fee will not exceed the actual cost to the Township	
Flood hazard area determination certification	\$20
Duplicate tax bill - same tax bill in same fiscal year [Amended at time of adoption of Code (see Ch. 1, General Provisions, Art. I)]	
First duplicate copy	\$5
Each subsequent duplicate copy	\$25
Copy of tax history	\$3
Copy of water history	\$3
Returned check (all Township departments) [Amended 8-19-2019 by Ord. No. 2019-20]	\$20
Duplicate tax sale certificate [Added 8-19-2019 by Ord. No. 2019-20]	\$100
Tax sale certificate redemption [Added 8-19-2019 by Ord. No. 2019-20]	\$50
Public improvement projects with specifications, per set	\$50
Public improvements projects with plans and specifications, per set	\$75

§ A565-6 Uniform Construction Codes fees.

[Added 4-5-1999 by Ord. No. 1-99; amended 3-18-2002 by Ord. No. 5-2002; 9-3-2002 by Ord. No. 8-2002; 3-21-2005 by Ord. No. 4-2005; 10-22-2007 by Ord. No. 14-07; 11-1-2010 by Ord. No. 11-10; 12-8-2015 by Ord. No. 16-15; 2-11-2019 by Ord. No. 2019-07]

F. Certificate fees.

- (1) The fee for a certificate of occupancy for new construction shall be 10% of the building permit or a minimum fee of \$100.
- (2) The fee for a **Non-UCC** certificate of continued occupancy, for certificate of occupancy granted pursuant to a change of use, and for multiple certificates of occupancy shall be \$100.

- (3) The fee for a temporary certificate of occupancy for a multifamily dwelling or commercial use shall be \$100. A temporary certificate of occupancy shall expire 90 days from the date issued. An extension may be applied for and, if granted, there shall be an additional fee of \$100 charged.
- (4) The fee for an application for a variation in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:23-2.10 shall be \$100.

SECTION 2: REPEAL OF INCONSISTENT PROVISIONS

All ordinances or parts thereof in conflict or inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed, but only to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency, it being the legislative intent that all such ordinances or part of ordinances now existing or in effect unless the same are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Ordinance shall remain in effect.

SECTION 3: SEVERABILITY

The provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable and if any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase thereof for any reason be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections, subsections, sentences, clauses and phrases of this Ordinance, but shall remain in effect; it being the legislative intent that this Ordinance shall stand notwithstanding the invalidity of any part.

SECTION 4: EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication as provided by law.

SECTION 5: CODIFICATION

The Municipal Clerk and the Township Attorney are authorized and directed to change any Chapter, Article and/or Section number of the Code of the Township of Verona in the event that the codification of this Ordinance reveals that there is a conflict between the numbers and the existing Code, and in order to avoid confusion and possible accidental repealers of existing provisions not intended to be repealed.



ATTEST:

Jennifer Kiernan
JENNIFER KIERNAN
MUNICIPAL CLERK

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE AFOREMENTIONED ORDINANCE WAS PUBLISHED IN THE STAR LEDGER, A NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX AND CIRCULATED IN THE TOWNSHIP OF VERONA, IN THE ISSUES OF MARCH 2, 2026 AND POSTED ON THE TOWNSHIP'S LEGAL NOTICES WEBPAGE ON MARCH 11, 2026.

**JENNIFER KIERNAN, CMC
MUNICIPAL CLERK**

INTRODUCTION: February 23, 2026
PUBLIC HEARING: March 9, 2026
EFFECTIVE DATE: March 30, 2026