



RE: Request from the Nixa School District to Waive Building Permit Fees related to the Multipurpose Construction Project

Background:

On 06/20/2024, the Nixa School District sent an email requesting a waiver of building permit fees related to the new multipurpose construction project.

Analysis:

The building permit fee invoice dated 06/20/2024 included the following breakdown of fees:

Building permit fee – Commercial/MF	\$22,924.25
Storm Water Review Reimbursement	\$1,833.22
Plan Review – Com & MF	\$2000.00
Plan Review – Com & MF	\$500.00
Plan Review – Com & MF	\$250.00
Electric Meter Fee	\$575.00
Water Meter – 1" Dev Installed	\$290.00
Water Meter – 2" Dev Installed	\$660.00
Total	\$29,032.47

The fee waiver, if approved, would be for the internal review costs totaling \$22,924.25. The remaining costs are third party reimbursements and meter fees. For clarification, the School District has already paid the total amount on the invoice so construction could continue. If the waiver is approved, a reimbursement will be made to the School District.

Dr. Kopp provided the following information in support of their request for the waiver of fees:

“Nixa Public Schools (“NPS”) operations are primarily funded by Nixa residents. NPS has the opportunity to secure and construct additional facilities to better serve our students and taxpayers. The construction component of this project requires the issuance of a permit from the City of Nixa. The permit requires a fee. In the past the City has waived the fee recognizing this waiver is a direct taxpayer savings to Nixa residents. The City will again waive the fee for this project as it is a direct cost savings to the Nixa citizens represented by this Council.”

In many ways, NPS is the Nixa community, and nothing matters more to a community than its children. A discounted permit fee ensures that taxpayer bond funds remain at the school district level for student enrichment and school programs that serve community members of all ages. This includes building improvements, teacher salaries, expanded programs and activities, social services, and more. No one benefits more from this project than the community itself because what's good for the schools, is good for the community.

This project is approved by, funded by, and actively supported by Nixa taxpayers that want the best for their children and the most out of their investment in the community. With classroom spaces and open activity spaces, the new multipurpose facility promises to serve and support the community as a resource for a wide range of uses including physical education, activities of all types, the performing arts, intramural activities, [One Nixa](#) and other community meetings. As with all our facilities, this space will be available for public use according to district policy and procedures."

Recommendation:

I am bringing the School District's request for waiver of the building permit fees related to the multipurpose construction project to City Council. I am asking Council to consider the request for the waiver.

MEMO PREPARED BY:

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RESOLUTION NO. 2024-46

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NIXA WAIVING A BUILDING PERMIT FEE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$22,924.25 FOR THE NIXA PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM'S PROPOSED MULTI-PURPOSE FACILITY.

WHEREAS Section 1-151(d) authorizes the City Council to waive user fees for other governmental entities upon a showing by the governmental entity that the public is better served by the waiver; and

WHEREAS the administration of the Nixa Public School system has requested that \$22,924.25, which is the anticipated cost of the fee for issuance of a building permit for the system's anticipated multi-purpose facility, be waived.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NIXA, AS FOLLOWS, THAT:

SECTION 1: The City Council hereby authorizes the waiver of the building permit fee, up to \$22,924.25, related to Nixa Public School's proposed construction of a multi-purpose facility. This waiver shall only apply to the fee charged as part of the issuance of a building permit. Any remaining third-party reimbursements or meter fees are not waived and shall be borne by the applicant as required by Nixa City Code.

SECTION 2: This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its final passage by the City Council and after its approval by the Mayor, subject to the provisions of section 3.11(g) of the City Charter.

ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL THIS 8th DAY OF JULY 2024.

ATTEST:

PRESIDING OFFICER

CITY CLERK

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR THIS _____ DAY OF _____ 2024.

ATTEST:

MAYOR

CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

CITY ATTORNEY