Building Permit Re-Inspection Fees

In January 2024, the City of Cambridge introduced a Re-Inspection Fee of $100 to help offset the costs of performing multiple inspections for the same stage of construction.

City Building Inspectors perform inspections to ensure work complies with the plans issued for a permit and the Ontario Building Code. Inspectors need to review a building project at several stages during construction (Division C, 1.3.5. of the building code).

The permit holder is responsible for ensuring the work is complete and the site is ready for inspection before making a building inspection request (Building Bulletin 2023-01). The permit card, provided with the issued permit, outlines the stages of construction that must be inspected.

The following are circumstances where a reinspection fee can be applied after an inspection request has been submitted:

- An Inspector determines that work is not ready for inspection or is not substantially complete for the stage of construction requested.
- An Inspector performs a recall inspection and no changes have been made to correct deficiencies found at the last inspection.

**Inspection Cancellation**

The re-inspection fee will not be applied when a scheduled inspection is cancelled prior to 8:00am on the day of the inspection.

**Partial Inspections**

For large or complex projects (i.e. multi-suite or multi-storey buildings) inspections for stages of construction may be booked in phases. Discuss partial inspections with the site inspector to determine if they are appropriate.

If you have any questions regarding the Re-Inspection Fee, please feel free to contact me.

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