



PROPOSED UPDATES TO THE SACRAMENTO COUNTY TECHNOLOGY FEE

In June 2024, the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors approved a contract to upgrade the County’s permitting software, Accela. In addition to migrating to the cloud-based Accela platform, the upgrade will also unlock a variety of other enhancements for customers and staff, including:

- Improved customer-facing portals with accurate project statuses
- Online dashboards with real-time stats and plan review queues
- Upgraded metrics and reporting functionality
- Expanded online payment center
- Smoother, more consistent customer experience

These exciting advancements are a major investment in the future of permitting and licensing activities at Sacramento County, and are expected to greatly improve the level of service and experience for our customers. To accommodate this investment, the County is proposing an increase to the Technology Fee rate, from 4.5% to 6.5%, as well as an increase to County’s contribution (which will account for more than half of the system costs). This modest fee increase to the Technology Fee will unlock widespread benefits and customer convenience. Further, it is anticipated that the Technology Fee will remain relatively low—far below the max cap—for most permit types.

For more information about the Technology Fee, please refer to the Code Ordinance linked below.

**CURRENT
TECHNOLOGY FEE**

4.5%

**PROPOSED
TECHNOLOGY FEE**

6.5%

**PROPOSED
TECH FEE CAP**

\$850
maximum



Proposed Effective Date: **July 1, 2025**



Current Code Ordinance [§16.140.010](#).

SACRAMENTO
COUNTY



BY COMPARISON: LOCAL TECHNOLOGY FEES

On a
\$50,000
permit fee invoice,
the Tech Fee is
estimated* to be:

City of Sacramento	8.0%	no fee cap	\$4,000
City of West Sacramento	8.0%	no fee cap	\$4,000
City of Stockton	7.5%	no fee cap	\$3,750
Sacramento County - proposed	6.5%	\$850 cap	\$850
City of Folsom	5.0%	no fee cap	\$2,500
San Joaquin County	5.0%	no fee cap	\$2,500
Sacramento County - current	4.5%	\$350 cap	\$350
City of Lincoln	4.0%	no fee cap	\$2,000
City of Citrus Heights	4.0%	no fee cap	\$2,000
Placer County	3.5%	\$544 cap	\$544
El Dorado County	3.2%	no fee cap	\$1,600
City of Roseville	3.0%	no fee cap	\$1,500

*Fee methodologies vary between jurisdictions, so fee calculations shown above are approximations intended to demonstrate general comparisons.