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Board Approves Changes to Permit Fee Structure

At their September 6, 2022 meeting, the Board of Supervisors approved changes to the fees charged by the Building Safety and Inspections Division. After multiple requests to reevaluate the fee structure, county staff carefully considered Amherst County's fee structure and compared it to other localities. Staff proposed four changes that support the county's business friendliness initiatives and continues to protect the health, safety, and welfare of Amherst County citizens, businesses, and guests.

- Pool fees were reduced to a flat fee of \$200.00 per pool inspection.
- Solar fees were reduced from a percentage of job cost to charging a fee per megawatt.
- Commercial renovation fee was reduced to a 0.5% cost of job with a maximum fee of \$10,000.
- A \$100.00 fee for working without a permit was added.

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