

**CITY OF BUCKLEY, WASHINGTON
ORDINANCE NO. 08-25**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BUCKLEY, PIERCE COUNTY, WASHINGTON,
AMENDING SECTION 3.50.040 OF THE BUCKLEY MUNICIPAL CODE TO REFLECT
UPDATED PARK IMPACT FEES CORRESPONDING WITH THE CAPITAL FACILITIES
LIST IN THE 2044 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN PARK ELEMENT**

WHEREAS, the City of Buckley is a growing community and the needs for parks and park facilities will continue to increase; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Buckley has identified parks and park facilities as a high-priority for the community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Buckley last adopted updates to Section 3.50.040 outlining Park Impact Fees with Ordinance 02-16 in 2016; and

WHEREAS, the City updated its Capital Facilities Project List and Park Element as part of the 2044 Comprehensive Plan update and to implement the Park, Recreation, and Open Space plan adopted in February 2024; and

WHEREAS, the City had conducted a Parks Impact Fee Rate Study to evaluate the costs associated with expanding its park system to accommodate population growth anticipated to occur over the next 20 years.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BUCKLEY, WASHINGTON DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1 Chapter 3.50.040 of the Buckley Municipal Code entitled "Impact Fee for Parks and Recreation Facilities" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3.50.040 Impact fee for parks and recreation facilities.

The park and recreation impact fee imposed on residential development is based on [the assumptions found in the Park Impact Fee Rate Study Technical Memo, 2025, attached hereto and by this reference fully incorporated herein.](#) ~~the cost of capital projects listed in the parks, recreation and open space element of the comprehensive plan. The parks and recreation impact fee imposed shall be that which is set forth in the parks impact fee calculation identified in the comprehensive plan. The fees shall be assessed and collected pursuant to BMC 3.50.035~~

- (1) Park and recreation impact fees shall be assessed to all new residential construction as follows:

Square Footage	Per Dwelling Unit	ADU/DADU Rate
Up to 749	\$ 650.00	\$ 325.00
750 to 1,249	\$ 1082.00	\$ 541.00
1,250 to 1,749	\$ 1515.00	\$ 757.00
1,750 to 2,249	\$ 1949.00	
2,250 to 2,749	\$ 2380.00	
2,750 to 3,249	\$ 2810.00	
3,250 to 3,749	\$ 3241.00	
Greater than 3750	\$ 3671.00	

(2) The park and recreation impact fees in subsection (1) of this section ~~may~~ shall be reviewed annually to consider adjustments using the following procedure: ~~to the fees to account for increased costs of labor, construction materials and real property. The city council intends that such~~


(a) The City Administrator shall use the average of the Building Cost Index and Construction Cost Index for Seattle published by the Engineering News Record to calculate annual inflation adjustments from June to the following June in the impact fee rates. The parks impact fees shall not be adjusted for inflation should the index remain unchanged or show negative growth.

(b) The indexed impact fee rates shall be effective January 1, 2026.

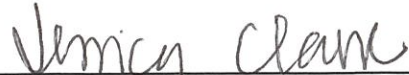
Section 2. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

Section 3. Effective Date. This Ordinance or a summary thereof consisting of the title shall be published in the official newspaper of the City; and shall take effect and be in full force on January 1, 2026.

Introduced, passed and approved this 23rd day of September 2025.


Beau Burkett, Mayor

ATTEST:


Treva Zumek, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Phil Olbrechts, City Attorney

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