COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
HOUSING APPEALS COMMITTEE

STANDING ORDER NO. 08-01

FILING FEES

Applicable to All Matters before the Committee on February 25, 2008 and thereafter.

Effective February 25, 2008, it is hereby ORDERED that:

Pursuant to 760 CMR 56.06(4)(f), a fee shall be paid by the appellant upon the filing of the initial pleading. The fee shall be used to support the operations of the Committee as provided by St. 1989, c. 653, § 4. Fees shall be payable, in full, by check payable to the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development, upon the filing of appeals with the Committee pursuant to M.G.L. c. 40B, §22. Fees may be reduced when, in the judgment of the presiding officer, such action is warranted by special circumstances and is in the public interest. Fees charged to non-profit organizations may be reduced to the extent that the cost of such fees is not allowed as a mortgageable cost by the subsidizing agency. When a reduction is granted, a statement of the reasons therefore will be filed in the record. Any motion for reduction of fees shall be filed with the initial pleading. No initial pleading will be accepted for filing without the minimum fee.

The fee shall be based on the total number of housing units for which the appellant is seeking approval on appeal to the Committee. If the appellant is a limited dividend organization, the filing fee shall be $6,000.00, provided that for those developments with greater than 25 units, the appellant pay an additional fee of $30 for each unit above 25. If the appellant is a non-profit organization, the filing fee shall be $2,000.00, provided that for those developments with greater than 25 units, the appellant pay an additional fee of $10 per unit for each unit above 25. If the appellant is a public agency, there shall be no filing fee. A minimum fee of $1,500 will be required in all cases.

Adopted: February 25, 2008
Effective: February 25, 2008.

Housing Appeals Committee

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Chairman

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