

THE CLASS “B” PERMIT

5.3 B-Permit Bond and Fee Deposit Estimate

Per LAMC Section [62.110](#), an applicant for a Class “B” permit, must deposit an amount estimated by the City Engineer to be sufficient to reimburse the City for the costs of processing a B-Permit for items such as: plan checking, engineering costs or fees, inspection, testing of materials, and street lighting energy.

Upon submittal of application, and payment of estimate deposit, the City will prepare a B-Permit Bond and Fee Deposit Estimate, whereby the permit deposit is established. Upon completion of the work, and after final accounting, any excess monies will be refunded to the Permittee. If accrued charges exceed the deposit, the project will be put on hold, and Permittee will be billed for the deficit.

Permittees can access B-Permit charges on line, and monthly B-Permit Financial Status Reports are also sent to Permittees notifying them of the current balance in their accounts. In such cases where there is a deficit, the City Engineer will request the deposit of additional fees. In any event, the closing of the permit and the release of the bond will be deferred until all deficits are paid.

Charges against B-Permit accounts are as follows:

- 1) Charges will be made against the B-Permit deposit for the number of hours actually expended in checking the plans at direct labor costs plus indirect costs.
- 2) Soil testing, and other items related to the preparation of plans. These charges are made at a fixed rate for each test, print, investigation, and action.
- 3) Charges for inspection, surveying, material testing, emergency light and barricade service, street tree planting, street light energy, street name signs, traffic warning and regulatory signs, processing of change order requests, etc. These charges are based on the work involved. Each appropriate agency reports these charges to the Bureau of Engineering. These fees are included in the BC- Permit. Charges for inspection are made on an hourly basis of direct labor costs plus indirect costs. You should ensure that the contractor expedites work efficiently and diligently to minimize problems.

Street Damage Restoration fees may be required for B-Permit work related to street pavement work.