



DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

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System Development Charge (SDC) Deferral Program Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Q: What is the City of Medford's SDC Deferral Program?

A: On August 2, 2018, the Medford City Council approved a system development charge deferral program that allows builders and developers of residential, commercial, and industrial properties to defer paying street, sewer, storm drain, and parks SDC fees. The City's SDC Deferral Program was effective on August 17, 2018.

Q: How long may SDCs be deferred?

A: Single-family residential SDCs may be deferred until time of sale of the home, or time of actual occupancy, whichever is first. In instances of a deferral to time of sale, SDCs shall be paid by the seller.

Multi-family residential, commercial, or industrial SDCs may be deferred until issuance of certificate of occupancy, time of sale, or time of actual occupancy, whichever is first.

Q: What amount of SDCs may be deferred?

A: For single-family residential development:

- The total amount of SDCs may be deferred as referenced above.

For multi-family residential, commercial, and industrial development:

- If total SDCs are \$250,000 or less, the full amount of SDCs may be deferred.
- If total SDCs are between \$250,001 and \$500,000, then 30% shall be paid at the time of building permit issuance, and the remainder deferred until issuance of certificate of occupancy, time of sale, or time of actual occupancy, whichever is first.
- If total SDCs for a single property are equal to or greater than \$500,000, the project is not eligible for SDC deferral.

Q: How do I apply for SDC deferral?

A: To apply for deferral, a builder or developer must complete, sign, and submit an SDC Deferral Application/Agreement at the same time a building permit application is submitted. A \$150 administrative fee is charged on all SDC deferral requests. The deferral form can be found on the City's [website](#).

Q: Is interest charged on deferred SDCs?

A: Interest is not charged on deferred SDCs if paid when due. SDCs that are not paid when due will accrue interest from that due date at the rate of 18% per annum simple interest.

Q: Who can I contact for assistance?

A: For questions about the City of Medford SDC Deferral Program, contact Sheila Giorgetti, Medford Planning Department, Sheila.Giorgetti@cityofmedford.org or 541-774-2398.