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The following Building Valuation Data is provided by the International Code Council (ICC) to help determine the estimated value of a building by providing average construction costs per square foot. The Square Foot Construction Costs table uses factors that reflect relative value of one construction classification/occupancy group to another to determine an estimated value of a building; however, this data table is not intended to be used as an actual construction cost estimating guide. Additional fees may apply to your project (e.g. Impact Fees, Sewer Fees, etc.). Please contact the Permits Section at 302-395-5420 with any questions about this process.

Project Information	Use Group	Construction Type	Cost (SF)	Area	Shell Only	Valuation
	<b>Totals:</b>					

Permit Fee	Permit Review Fee (\$12.00/\$1,000 of Project Valuation up to \$1 Million & \$5.25/\$1,000 over \$1 Million)
	Zoning Review Fee (10% of Permit Review Fee (\$21 Minimum / \$145 Maximum))
	NCC Volunteer Fire Assistance Fund Fee (0.50% of Project Valuation (for the first \$1 Million valuation))
	Certificate of Occupancy Fee (\$60.00)
	<b>Estimated Building Permit Fee:</b>

**Square Foot Construction Costs** <sup>a,b,c,d,e</sup>

Group	(2018 International Building Code)	Type of Construction									
		IA	IB	IIA	IIB	IIIA	IIIB	IV	VA	VB	
A-1	Assembly, theaters, with stage Assembly, theaters, without stage										
A-2	Assembly, nightclubs Assembly, restaurants, bars, banquet										
A-3	Assembly, churches Assembly, general, libraries, museums										
A-4	Assembly, arenas										
B	Business										
E	Educational										
F-1	Factory and industrial, moderate hazard										
F-2	Factory and industrial, low hazard										
H-1	High Hazard, explosives										
H-2,3,4	High Hazard										
H-5	HPM										
I-1	Institutional, supervised environment										
I-2	Institutional, hospitals Institutional, nursing homes										
I-3	Institutional, restrained										
I-4	Institutional, day care facilities										
M	Mercantile										
R-1	Residential, hotels										
R-2	Residential, multiple family										
R-3	Residential, one- and two-family										Refer to the Residential Permit Valuation Form provided by the Department of Land Use
R-4	Residential, care/assisted living facilities										
S-1	Storage, moderate hazard										
S-2	Storage, low hazard										
U	Utility, miscellaneous										

a. Private garages use Utility, miscellaneous  
b. Public parking garages (S-2) deduct 20 percent  
c. Unfinished basements (all use groups) = \$22.45 per sq. ft.  
d. For shell only buildings, where an additional tenant fit-out permit will be required, deduct 20 percent  
e. N.P. = not permitted