## **RESOLUTION NO. 2663**

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND AUTHORIZING THE WAIVER OF THE BUILDING PERMIT FEE TIED TO THE FIRST THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$3,000.00) IN CONSTRUCTION COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OR REPLACEMENT OF RESIDENTIAL RAMPS FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH PHYSICAL DISABILITIES WHO HAVE LIMITED MOBILITY AND REQUIRE WHEELCHAIR ASSISTANCE TO HAVE ACCESS TO RESIDENCES.

WHEREAS, there are numerous citizens that reside in the City of Salisbury that are disabled and require the use of a wheelchair or other device to have access to residences; and

WHEREAS, the City of Salisbury, Department of Buildings, Permitting & Inspections requires a building permit as required by the International Building Code, 2015 and building permit fees to be paid for the construction or replacement of a handicap ramp; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest to assist the efforts of affected property owners to enable them to construct or replace handicap ramps; and

WHEREAS, for public safety and general welfare protection of the public, construction and/or replacement of a handicap ramp shall be performed by qualified persons with appropriate permits and inspection of work performed; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor has recommended that the City waive part of the building permit fee as outlined in this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, City policy requires the approval of the City Council in order to waive any fee that is associated with a project not being executed directly by the City.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, on this 26 day of September, 2016, the Council of the City of Salisbury, Maryland, does approve the waiver of the building permit fee imposed by the City of Salisbury Municipal Code for building permits, for the first three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) of construction costs, tied to the construction and/or replacement of handicap ramps for one and two family dwellings units.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION was introduced, and duly passed at a meeting of the Council of the City of Salisbury, Maryland held on September 26, 2016, and is to become effective immediately upon adoption.

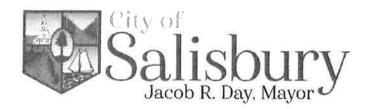
## ATTEST:

Diane K. Carter, Assistant City Clerk

John R. Heath, President, City Council

APPROVED BY ME THIS 27 day of September, 2016

Jacob R. Day, Mayor



## Memorandum

To: Tom Stevenson, City Administrator

CC: Julia Glanz, Assistant City Administrator

From: William T. Holland

Date: 9/12/2016

Ref: Permit Fee Waivers for Handicap Ramps

Attached is a Resolution which will waive the building permit fee for the cost of construction for handicap ramps for one-and-two family dwellings. The cost of constructing a residential handicap ramp is typically in the range of \$1,000 to \$2,000. The permit fee associated for a building permit with a cost of construction up to \$3,000 is \$40.

During FY-16, the revenue generated for the construction of handicap ramps was \$140.00. With this in mind, I recommend the City Council approve the attached Resolution waiving permit fees for residential handicap ramps.

Let me know if you have any questions.