Important Points

- The BVD is not intended to apply to alterations or repairs to existing buildings. Because the scope of alterations or repairs to an existing building varies so greatly, the Square Foot Construction Costs table does not reflect accurate values for that purpose. However, the Square Foot Construction Costs table can be used to determine the cost of an addition that is basically a stand-alone building which happens to be attached to an existing building. In the case of such additions, the only alterations to the existing building would involve the attachment of the addition to the existing building and the openings between the addition and the existing building.

- For purposes of establishing the Permit Fee Multiplier, the estimated total annual construction value for a given time period (1 year) is the sum of each building's value (Gross Area x Square Foot Construction Cost) for that time period (e.g., 1 year).

- The Square Foot Construction Cost does not include the price of the land on which the building is built. The Square Foot Construction Cost takes into account everything from foundation work to the roof structure and coverings but does not include the price of the land. The cost of the land does not affect the cost of related code enforcement activities and is not included in the Square Foot Construction Cost.

Square Foot Construction Costs [a, b, c]

Group (2024 International Building Code)	IA	IB	IIA	IIB	IIIA	IIIB	IV	VA	VB
A-1 Assembly, theaters, with stage	357.33	344.89	333.96	321.01	300.49	291.98	310.03	280.47	269.61
A-1 Assembly, theaters, without stage	328.57	316.12	305.20	292.25	271.49	262.97	281.27	251.46	240.61
A-2 Assembly, nightclubs	277.44	269.30	260.84	250.89	234.99	228.61	242.28	213.69	205.58
A-2 Assembly, restaurants, bars, banquet halls	276.44	268.30	258.84	249.89	232.99	227.61	241.28	211.69	204.58
A-3 Assembly, churches	331.74	319.29	308.36	295.42	275.14	266.62	284.43	255.12	244.26
A-3 Assembly, general, community halls, libraries, museums	276.12	263.67	251.75	239.80	218.28	210.76	228.82	198.26	188.40
A-4 Assembly, arenas	327.57	315.12	303.20	291.25	269.49	261.97	280.27	249.46	239.61
B Business	309.01	297.89	287.04	274.77	250.17	241.34	264.17	223.59	213.27
E Educational	296.02	285.47	275.84	264.24	245.34	232.84	255.15	214.74	207.79
F-1 Factory and industrial, moderate hazard	169.11	160.95	150.84	145.13	129.25	122.95	138.37	107.18	99.77
F-2 Factory and industrial, low hazard	168.11	159.95	150.84	144.13	129.25	121.95	137.37	107.18	98.77
H-1 High Hazard, explosives	157.75	149.59	140.48	133.77	119.20	111.90	127.00	97.13	N.P.
H234 High Hazard	157.75	149.59	140.48	133.77	119.20	111.90	127.00	97.13	88.73
H-5 HPM	309.01	297.89	287.04	274.77	250.17	241.34	264.17	223.59	213.27
I-1 Institutional, supervised environment	283.25	273.10	263.35	253.39	231.93	225.70	252.86	208.88	201.43
I-2 Institutional, hospitals	485.04	473.91	463.07	450.80	425.24	N.P.	440.20	398.66	N.P.
I-2 Institutional, nursing homes	334.61	323.48	312.64	300.37	277.75	N.P.	289.77	251.17	N.P.
I-3 Institutional, restrained	325.77	314.64	303.80	291.53	269.89	260.06	280.93	263.64	230.99
I-4 Institutional, day care facilities	283.25	273.10	263.35	253.39	231.93	225.70	252.86	208.88	201.43
M Mercantile	207.08	198.94	189.48	180.53	164.30	158.91	171.92	143.00	135.89
R-1 Residential, hotels	286.53	276.38	266.63	256.68	234.71	228.48	256.15	211.66	204.20
R-2 Residential, multiple family	239.24	229.09	219.34	209.38	188.69	182.45	208.85	165.63	158.18
R-3 Residential, one- and two-family [d]	224.62	218.65	213.40	208.84	201.86	194.67	213.06	187.70	175.92
R-4 Residential, care/assisted living facilities	283.25	273.10	263.35	253.39	231.93	225.70	252.86	208.88	201.43
S-1 Storage, moderate hazard	156.75	148.59	138.48	132.77	117.20	110.90	126.00	95.13	87.73
S-2 Storage, low hazard	155.75	147.59	138.48	131.77	117.20	109.90	125.00	95.13	86.73
U Utility, miscellaneous	125.18	118.05	109.33	104.91	93.46	87.55	99.89	74.38	71.07

a. Private Garages use Utility, miscellaneous
b. For shell only buildings deduct 20 percent
c. N.P. = not permitted
d. Unfinished basements (Group R-3) = $31.50 per sq. ft.