

**FY 2023-24 BUDGET QUESTION**  
***Response to Request for Information***

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DEPARTMENT(S): Development Services

REQUEST NO. 169

REQUESTED BY: R. Alter

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REQUEST: Please provide a breakdown of the fee waivers provided by DSD that are supported by the General Fund

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**RESPONSE:** The Development Services Department (DSD) receives reimbursement from the General Fund for costs that cannot be recovered via fees. These include fee waivers for development projects, such as certified affordable housing and projects granted a SMART housing designation as defined by City Code. DSD also receives fee waivers as a result of ordinances approved by City Council such as city-sponsored special events and permits and inspections that are needed by the Austin community as a result of weather emergencies.

The table below summarizes the fees waived by DSD by Fee Waiver Category for the current fiscal year as of July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

<b>Fee Waiver Category</b>	<b>YTD Amount of Fees Waived</b>
Smart Housing	\$1,832,744
School District Inter-Local Agreements	\$1,088,299
Fees waived for dead, diseased, or imminent hazard tree permits per LDC 25-8-622 (D)	\$293,282
Winter Weather Events	\$25,949
Commission/Council/Ordinance Waivers (e.g. Champion settlement, Stratus Properties agreement, DA waiver etc.)	\$20,659
Special Events ( e.g. SXSW 2023, Trail of Lights waiver, etc.)	\$2,839
<b>Total amount of fees supported by DSD Supported by the General Fund</b>	<b>\$3,263,772</b>