Fire Marshal’s Office implements new process to collect annual fire inspection fees (Fire and Life Safety Fee).

- **When will the new fee process start?**
  - Beginning July 1, 2019, the Fire Marshal’s annual fire inspection fee will be called a Fire and Life Safety Fee and will be paid at the time of new business registration or annual business renewal registration.

- **Who will be subject to the fee?**
  - Any business that occupies a commercial building within the Albuquerque City Limits.
  - With some exceptions, businesses that are conducted in a residential homes are exempt from this fee.
    - Examples:
      - Accounting businesses based out of a home office.
      - Contractor businesses based out of a home office.
      - Mobile vending unit (still requires special permit through Fire Marshal’s office).
    - The following are still subject the Fire and Life Safety Fee:
      - Residential homes being used for adult assisted facilities.
      - Residential homes being used for child daycares.

- **What are the fees?**
  - Fee Scale:
    | Inspections   | New       |
    |---------------|-----------|
    | Square Footage | $35.00    |
    | Up to 1,500 sq/ft | $35.00    |
    | 1,501 sq/ft – 6,000 sq/ft | $100.00   |
    | 6,001 sq/ft – 12,000 sq/ft | $250.00   |
    | 12,001sq/ft or Greater | $400.00   |

  (All Operational, Plan Review, and Construction Permit Fees still apply)

- **What Square Footage is used?**
  - Square footage of the building’s interior occupied space.
  - Square footage of the interior occupied space of the specific business.
    - Example - in a strip mall, the square footage of the area used by your business.

- **When will inspections be done? (3 options)**
  - Fire Marshal’s Office will schedule the inspection.
  - Owner may contact FMO office to schedule the inspection.
  - An inspection is prompted by a complaint or request.

- **Why the change?**
  - Increase efficiency of the fire inspections and associated fees.