Interoffice Memorandum



December 27, 2022

TO:

Mayor Jerry Demings

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County Commissioners

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

January 10, 2023 - Public Hearing

Impact Fee Update for Law Enforcement; Amending Chapter

23 - Impact Fees, Article II, Orange County Code

On January 10, 2023, the Board is scheduled to consider for adoption an ordinance amending the law enforcement impact fee ordinance codified at Article II of Chapter 23 of the Orange County Code. A copy of the proposed ordinance is attached.

Orange County maintains a high level of law enforcement services through the Orange County Sheriff's Office. Planning for additional capital facilities and equipment needed to serve new growth that generates additional demands on these services and the implementation of these needs is a responsibility of the County under Chapter 163, Florida Statutes.

Impact fees authorized under Chapter 23 of the Orange County Code are used to fund a proportionate share of capital improvements necessary to support the demands of new growth. In accordance with the Code, a technical study is provided every five years to the Board to ensure that impact fees are based on the most current and localized data. The 5-year study covers the following aspects:

Facility Inventory Level of Service Credit Components Demand Component Service Area and Population

Cost Components
Net Impact Costs
Fee Comparisons

In addition to addressing the above-listed components in a study, the County's consultant, Benesch, has provided a recommendation for annual indexing of impact

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fees. A copy of Benesch's study dated October 26, 2022, which is referenced in the proposed ordinance, is attached.

On November 15, 2022, staff provided a work session to the Board outlining the findings of the study and several policy considerations for indexing and incentives for affordable housing.

The attached ordinance proposes increases to the current impact fee amounts, as recommended by the study, with statutorily required phasing and annual indexing of 3.2%; clarifies the definition for "affordable housing"; adds exemptions for accessory dwelling units that are 1,500 sq. ft. or less, and for certified affordable housing units; includes an economic impact statement; and contains other miscellaneous amendments.

The attached ordinance also includes a few minor revisions and clarifications added subsequent to the Local Planning Agency (LPA) hearing on December 15, 2022, where the LPA made a finding of consistency with the Comprehensive Plan and recommended approval of the ordinance amending Chapter 23, Article II.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Make a Finding of Consistency with the Comprehensive Plan and Adoption of an Ordinance Amending the Orange County Law Enforcement Impact Fee Ordinance Codified at Article II, Chapter 23, of the Orange County Code; Providing for Updated and Increased Law Enforcement Impact Fees; Providing an Effective Date, and Directing the Clerk of the Board to Publish a Timely Notice Stating that the Board has Adopted this Ordinance Imposing Increased Law Enforcement Impact Fees. All Districts.

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Attachments (3)

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