Interoffice Memorandum



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AGENDA ITEM

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SUBJECT:

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Impact Fee Studies for Parks, Fire Rescue and Law

Enforcement Services

Orange County maintains a high level of life/safety services through Fire Rescue and Sheriff's Office professionals, along with offering its residents robust parks and recreation facilities. 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, F.S.

Impact fees authorized under Orange County Code, Chapter 23 are used to fund a proportionate share of capital expansion projects necessary to support the demands of new growth. In accordance with the Code, a technical study is completed every five years to ensure that fees are based on the most current and localized data. The five-year study serves as the basis for establishing the impact fee rate and covers the following aspects:

Service Area and Population

Facility inventory Level of Service Credit Components

Cost Components

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In addition to the above-listed components of the study, the County's consultant, Tindale Oliver & Associates, has provided recommendations for comparative methodologies in Fire Rescue and Law Enforcement fee studies and a proposal for indexing of fees for all three fee schedules.

This Work Session will provide an overview of the draft studies prepared to support the update to the County's Park, Fire, and Law Enforcement impact fees. The draft impact fees will be presented for each of these areas along with a comparison to the County's current fee schedule. After this Work Session, staff will begin to develop appropriate updates to Chapter 23, including workshops and public hearings with advisory boards and impacted industry groups. These workshops and hearings are expected to occur throughout the fall of 2017.

This presentation is for informational purposes only. No action is being requested.

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