



Agenda Item Summary

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Public Hearing to Update Chapter 362 Article II. Fire Impact Fee

Presenter:

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Description:

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 362 Article II. Fire Protection Impact Fee. The Ordinance phases in the new fee over a four year period and increases the maximum size of a residential unit on which the fees are charged to 4,500 square feet.

Recommended Action:

Adopt the Ordinance Amending Chapter 362 Article II. Fire Impact Fee

Prior Board Motions:

October 10, 2023 – Commissioner Cornell moved to authorize Staff to advertise public hearings for the Fire, Park System and Mobility Fee, including increasing the maximum square footage to 4,500 square feet

Fiscal Note:

Adopting the Ordinance will affect the amount of revenue in the current fiscal year for the Fire Protection Impact Fee, Fund 340. No new expenditures are to be budgeted from this fund in the current fiscal year. The Fiscal Year 2025 budget will include updated annual revenue projections for the Fire Protection Impact Fee, and the Capital Improvements Plan adopted as part of that budget will identify any expenditures for eligible projects. Costs associated with advertising the public hearing are covered in account 008.65.6500.

Strategic Guide:

Infrastructure

Background:

Alachua County has an adopted Fire Protection Impact Fee. Florida Statute requires that impact fees be based on the most recently available local data. This update to the Fire Protection Impact Fee proposes to increase the fee from \$0.076 to \$0.114 per square foot of floor area. These fees are to be phased in over four years beginning March 1, 2024. In addition, the update will increase the maximum residential square footage on which fees are calculated from 2,600 sq. ft. to 4,500 sq. ft.