

**Lee County Board Of County Commissioners
Agenda Item Summary**

Blue Sheet No. 20020370

1. REQUESTED MOTION:

ACTION REQUESTED: Amend External Fees and charges Manual, Administrative Code 3-10, to approve fee revisions for the Department of Community Development to offset the added cost for two (2) new Zoning Planner positions.

WHY ACTION IS NECESSARY: Fees for Zoning have not been increased since 1994 and current fees do not cover the cost of providing services. This revision only covers the cost of adding the two (2) new positions recently approved by the Board.

WHAT ACTION ACCOMPLISHES: The revision in the fees is revenue neutral covering only the added cost of the two new Zoning Planner positions.

2. DEPARTMENTAL CATEGORY:
COMMISSION DISTRICT # CW

A4B

3. MEETING DATE:

04-23-2002

4. AGENDA:

- CONSENT
- ADMINISTRATIVE
- APPEALS
- PUBLIC
- WALK ON
- TIME REQUIRED:

5. REQUIREMENT/PURPOSE:
(Specify)

- STATUTE
- ORDINANCE
- ADMIN. CODE 3-10
- OTHER

6. REQUESTOR OF INFORMATION:

- A. COMMISSIONER
- B. DEPARTMENT Community Development
- C. DIVISION Administration

BY: Mary Gibbs, Director

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7. BACKGROUND:

In January 2002, the Board of County Commissioners approved the addition of two (2) new Planner positions in Zoning. These positions were authorized to add staff in an effort to reduce the Zoning staff workload with a goal of speeding up the processing of applications. In FY 2001, Zoning activity was only 71% fee supported and the added expenditure for these positions would reduce the fee support substantially. The development community supported the adding of these positions and did not disagree with increasing Zoning fees to cover the cost of these new positions. The specific fee revisions are identified in the attached information. The estimated annual cost for the two new positions is \$109,544. The fee items selected for revision to offset this added expenditure were selected as the principal application fees involved in development activities. As a result the fees selected encompass those for DRIs, Planned Developments and Conventional rezonings. There was also an effort to eliminate situations where fees were different for similar applications. For example, the fee for a Minor Planned Development is now proposed to be the same as that for a Planned Development Amendment, and all Planned Development Administrative Amendments will have the same fee. The result is revision to nine fees to generate an estimated annual revenue of \$108,100 to offset the estimated annual cost of \$109,544 for the two new positions.

8. MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS:

9. RECOMMENDED APPROVAL:

A Department Director	B Purchasing or Contracts	C Human Resources	D Other	E County Attorney	F Budget Services	G County Manager
<i>Mary Gibbs</i>	N/A	N/A		<i>[Signature]</i> 4/9/02	<i>[Signature]</i> 4/11/02	<i>[Signature]</i> 4/11/02

10. COMMISSION ACTION:

- APPROVED
- DENIED
- DEFERRED
- OTHER

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PROPOSED REVISION TO ZONING FEES TO ABSORB TWO NEW POSITIONS				
TYPE OF ZONING APPLICATION	CURRENT FEE	NEW FEE	Fee Increase	Added Revenue
Planned Development Zoning				
Major Planned Developments	\$6000 plus \$20 per acre	\$7,000 plus \$20 per acre	\$1,000	\$25,500
Minor Planned Developments	\$3,000	\$4,000	\$1,000	\$29,500
Planned Development Amendments	\$3,500	\$4,000	\$500	\$10,250
Planned Development Extensions	\$900	\$1,500	\$600	\$4,800
Conventional Rezoning	\$2,100	\$2,500	\$400	\$10,800
Administrative Processes				
PD Administrative Amendments	\$1,000	\$1,000 (no change)	\$0	\$0
PD Administrative Amendments (minor)	\$700	\$1,000	\$300	\$10,350
PD Final Plan Approvals	\$300	\$500	\$200	\$8,400
Development of Regional Impact				
Notice of Proposed Change	\$3,000	\$4,000	\$1,000	\$4,000
Substantial Deviation Determination	\$5000 plus \$10 per acre	\$6,000 plus \$10 per acre	\$1,000	\$4,500
		New positions = \$109,544		\$108,100