

Finance Committee

Discussion of the Preliminary 2020 Olympia School District Impact Fees

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Title

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Recommended Action

Committee Recommendation:

Not referred to a committee.

City Manager Recommendation:

Discuss the Preliminary 2020 Olympia School District Impact Fees. Discussion only. No action requested.

Report

Issue:

Whether to discuss the Olympia School District (OSD) 2020 Preliminary Capital Facilities Plan (CFP), including draft recommendation regarding school impact fees.

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Presenter(s):

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Background and Analysis:

In order for the Olympia School District (OSD) to receive school impact fees from new development, the City of Olympia must adopt the OSD Capital Facilities Plan (CFP), which includes the Impact Fee schedule. At its August 21, 2019, meeting, the Finance Committee was briefed by Ms. Priddy on the preliminary draft OSD CFP. It included a proposal that eliminates the 100 percent discount for impact fees for residential development in downtown Olympia. The Finance Committee expressed concerns and continued discussion to its September 18, 2019, meeting. To assist in this discussion, City and OSD staff have met and will share potential optional approaches.

The Planning Commission is in the process of reviewing the CFP for consistency with the other chapters of the Comprehensive Plan. They will hold a public hearing on Monday, September 16 and

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provide comments directly to City Council. The Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee, Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee, and the Utility Advisory Committee are also reviewing and commenting on the annual capital projects. They will provide comments directly to the City Council. None of these advisory commissions typically review school district impact fee proposals.

The City Council is scheduled to hold a public hearing on the CFP on October 29, 2019.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

The Preliminary City CFP and 2020-2025 Financial Plan is posted on the City's website. There may be interest citywide in specific projects or programs included in the draft CFP, including impact fees.

Options:

Discussion only; no action requested

Attachments:

None