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## County Commission considers increasing residential impact fees

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Ocala - Residential developers may get upset and retail and commercial developers may feel relieved if the County Commission approves the changes a consultant recommended to Marion's transportation impact fees.

Consulting firm MuniFinancial's proposed changes to the way the fees are assessed would charge a significant amount more on new home and apartment development and give big reductions to retail and medical and professional office development.

Marion County Impact Fee Coordinator Kimberly Hatcher said the rationale behind the consultant's changes is that new residential development draws new residents to the county and, therefore, puts more trips on local roads.

The proposed changes in the impact fees are the topic one of the public hearings the Marion County Commission will have starting at 10 a.m. Tuesday at 601 S.E. 25th Ave.

### PROPOSED IMPACT FEE CHANGES

Comparison of transportation impact fee rates, effective Jan. 1, 2008, if the County Commission approves a consultant's recommended changes:

<b>Construction</b>	<b>Without changes</b>	<b>With changes</b>
Single family home	\$6,107	\$10,588
Residential triplex	\$10,221	\$16,734
10,000 sq. ft. medical office	\$199,530	\$35,190
7,500 sq. ft. general office	\$74,482.50	\$26,392.50
10,000 sq. ft. of retail	\$96,100	\$35,190

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