

## Hearing planned for higher street charge

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The Albany City Council plans to hold a public hearing on Jan. 12, 2011, on a proposal to raise the city's transportation system development charge.

The current charge, imposed on new construction to help pay for streets and related projects to accommodate growth, is \$1,734 for the average new house.

The proposal is to raise the fee to \$3,000, either all at once or in stages over five years.

The council has had a number of work sessions on the subject and invited comments from various interest groups including builders.