



**Planning and Development Department**  
Land Use Planning Division

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**Memorandum**

**To:** City Council

**From:** Carli Paine, Planning Commission Secretary

**Date:** July 11, 2006

**Subject: Motion passed by the Planning Commission regarding the proposed Transportation Services Fee.**

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At its June 14, 2006 meeting, the Planning Commission held a public hearing on the proposed Transportation Services Fee, after which the Planning Commission discussed and took action on the item.

The Planning Commissioners' discussion included two points of general consensus:

1. Support for the goal of the proposed Transportation Services Fee. The Planning Commission was in favor of reducing personal vehicular trips and was supportive of the projects and programs outlined in the TSF Draft Nexus Study.
2. Concern about the potential impact of the TSF on development and reuse of existing buildings, particularly during economically challenging times.

The Commission considered amendments to staff's recommendation including:

- The inclusion of an economic indicator (such as commercial vacancy rates or sales tax revenue decline) that would trigger the suspension of the fee in a district or neighborhood during times of economic distress.
- The exemption of ADUs from the fee.
- The exemption of change of use projects from the fee.

However, these considerations were not part of the motion that passed.

The motion that carried was:

M/S/C to recommend that Council not adopt the TSF at this time and to recommend that the City Council direct staff and the appropriate commissions to develop alternative, broadly-based funding mechanisms that would fund the proposed projects.

(Pollack/Wengraf). Ayes: Pollack, DeStaebler, Gurley, Wengraf, Samuels. Noes: Burke, Sheen, Stoloff, Poschman. Abstain: None. Absent: None.