AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORLANDO, FLORIDA, RELATING TO IMPACT FEES; AMENDING CHAPTER 56, ORLANDO CITY CODE, TO ESTABLISH A PARKS IMPACT FEE; PROVIDING PURPOSE AND INTENT. DEFINITIONS. AND ESTABLISHING PARKS. IMPACT FEE FUNDS AND PARKS BENEFIT AREAS; IMPOSING AN IMPACT FEE ON EACH NEW SINGLE FAMILY AND EACH NEW MULTIFAMILY DWELLING UNIT IN THE CITY: FURTHER PROVIDING FOR ALTERNATIVE IMPACT FEE CALCULATIONS, CREDITS AGAINST IMPACT FEES, AND EXEMPTIONS: ALSO PROVIDING FOR THE USE OF FUNDS COLLECTED, THE RETURN OF CERTAIN FUNDS, AND FOR APPEALS OF CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS; **PROVIDING ORGANIZATIONAL AMENDMENTS** CHAPTER 56: PROVIDING LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS, AND FOR SEVERABILITY, CODIFICATION, CORRECTION OF SCRIVENER'S ERRORS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**WHEREAS**, the *City of Orlando Growth Management Plan* (the "GMP"; the GMP is the city's "comprehensive plan" for purposes of the Florida Community Planning Act, sections 163.3164 through 163.3217, Florida Statutes) Vision Statement provides that "Orlando is fortunate to have a rich heritage, grounded by a 100-year history of community planning that dates back to the City Beautiful movement."; and

**WHEREAS**, the GMP Vision Statement further provides that "[a]s 'The City Beautiful', Orlando's vision is defined by a focus on its amenities. Key elements of that vision are strong urban design; historic preservation; the availability and maintenance of parks, recreation and open space...;" and

WHEREAS, the GMP contains a Recreation and Open Space Element (the "Recreation Element") that provides the city's goals, objectives, and policies relating to parks, recreation, and open space, and a Capital Improvements Element (the "Capital Improvements Element") that seeks to "provide and maintain, in an efficient and balanced manner, public facilities and services which protect the public health, safety, and welfare of its citizens, concurrent with the impacts of new development...."; and

**WHEREAS**, Goal 1 of the Recreation Element is "[t]o provide for the recreation, and open space needs of all of the city's current and future citizens."; and

**WHEREAS**, Objective 1.1 of the Recreation Element provides that "[t]he City of Orlando shall ensure that an adequate amount of park land and open space land is available to the citizens of Orlando...;" and

**WHEREAS**, Policy 1.1.1 of the Recreation Element provides a city-wide park acreage level of service standard of 3.25 acres of combined "Community Park" and "Neighborhood Park" per 1,000 population; and

WHEREAS, Policy 1.1.1 of the Recreation Element also provides a level of service standard for each Community Park and Neighborhood Park service area, with each Community Park service area standard being 1.3 acres of park per 1,000

population, and the Neighborhood Park service area standard being 0.75 acres of park per 1,000 population; and

**WHEREAS**, for planning purposes, Community Parks serve a population of up to 40,000 with a prototypical size of 15 acres and Neighborhood Parks serve a population of up to 10,000 with a prototypical size of 5 acres; and

**WHEREAS**, Objective 1.2 of the Recreation Element provides that "the City of Orlando shall require, through the Land Development Code, that both private and public entities and agencies provide adequate green space."; and

**WHEREAS**, Objective 1.3 of the Recreation Element provides that "[b]ecause the city's park requirements may change in the future due to unforeseen growth of future annexations, the City of Orlando shall continue to monitor levels of service for parks and, if necessary, shall identify and implement alternative funding mechanisms and programs to provide for parks."; and

**WHEREAS**, Objective 1.2 of the Capital Improvements Element provides that "the city shall utilize the Level of Service (LOS) standards identified in [the GMP] to evaluate and permit new development in order to maintain adopted level of service standards for existing and future needs."; and

**WHEREAS**, Policy 1.2.1 of the Capital Improvements Element provides that "[t]he LOS standards adopted for each of the following public facilities and services shall apply to new development: roads, schools, wastewater, [and] parks...."; and

**WHEREAS**, Policy 2.2.19 of the Capital Improvements Element provides that "[t]he parks and recreation LOS standards shall be applied through the application of the following performance standards to ensure that parks and recreation facilities are in place when the impacts of development occur:

- 1. Adequate park capacity exists to serve the residential development; or
- The necessary capital improvements are guaranteed in a development agreement which provides for the actual construction to begin within one year from the issuance of a development permit; or
- 3. The necessary capital improvements are programmed in the Capital Improvements Element for actual construction to begin within one year from the issuance of a development permit."; and

**WHEREAS**, at subsection 163.31801, Florida Statutes, the Florida Legislature finds that "impact fees are an important source of revenue for a local government to use in funding the infrastructure necessitated by new growth," and that "impact fees are an outgrowth of the home rule power of a local government to provide certain services within its jurisdiction."; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Orlando, Florida (the "Orlando City Council"), hereby finds that new residential development in the city requires additional

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parks and recreation facilities for operation by the city's Families, Parks, and Recreation Department (the "department"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Orlando City Council hereby finds that, as set forth in the GMP, new development should be permitted to occur only where an adequate level of parks and recreation facilities can be provided; and

**WHEREAS**, the Orlando City Council hereby finds that new residential development should pay a portion of the overall costs related to the additional parks and recreation facilities needed to accommodate such new development; and

**WHEREAS**, the Orlando City Council hereby finds that it is the purpose of this ordinance to ensure the provision of an adequate level of parks and recreation facilities throughout the city so that new residential development may occur in a manner consistent with the established level of service; and

**WHEREAS**, the Orlando City Council hereby finds that it is the purpose of this ordinance to require new residential development to bear a portion of the overall capital costs related to parks and recreation facilities made necessary by such new development; and

**WHEREAS**, the Orlando City Council hereby finds that impact fees provide a reasonable and fair method of regulating new residential development to ensure that such new development pays a portion of the capital costs of parks and recreation facilities necessary to accommodate such new development; and

WHEREAS, the Orlando City Council hereby finds that while the department operates parks and recreation facilities throughout the city, and that citizens of Orlando actually use and benefit from parks and recreation facilities no matter where they are located in the city, this ordinance will restrict the capital improvements that are funded with impact fee revenue to designated geographic areas (to be known as "park benefit areas") in which the impact fee revenue was derived (except for expenditures on "regional parks," such parks being of such size and offering such amenities that they functionally serve the entire Orlando region), the purpose of such policy being to ensure that new residential development enjoys a very direct benefit from the expenditure of impact fee revenues derived from that development; and

WHEREAS, the Orlando City Council hereby finds that (1) the provision of parks and recreational facilities is an important government good or service, (2) that all new residential development creates an impact upon the cost of providing parks and recreational facilities, and that (3) the cost of providing parks and recreational facilities varies depending on the type of residential development, whether detached residential development (sometimes referred to as "single-family residential development") or attached residential development (sometimes referred to as "multifamily residential development"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Orlando City Council hereby finds that the additional impact imposed by new residential development upon the capital costs of providing parks and recreational facilities occurs at the time that the new development actually occurs; and

WHEREAS, the Orlando City Council hereby finds that (1) the provisions of this ordinance relating to adequate parks and recreational facilities, (2) the additional parks and recreational facilities needed for new residential development, (3) the capital costs relating to those additional parks and recreational facilities needed to serve the new residential development, and (4) the impact fees necessitated by such capital costs, are all based upon and supported by the analysis, findings, and recommendations of the City of Orlando Families, Parks and Recreation Vision Plan dated January 2010 (the "Parks Vision Plan"), and the City of Orlando Families, Parks and Recreation Impact Fee Study dated August 2014 (the "Parks Impact Fee Study"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Orlando City Council hereby approves, adopts, and incorporates into this ordinance the Parks Vision Plan (being **Exhibit A** to this ordinance) and the Parks Impact Fee Study (being **Exhibit B** to this ordinance); and

**WHEREAS**, the Orlando City Council hereby finds that the Parks Impact Fee Study is based on the most recent and localized data; and

**WHEREAS**, the Orlando City Council hereby finds that maintaining the city's currently existing level of service for parks is essential to and in the best interests of the public health, safety, and general welfare of the citizens of the city; and

WHEREAS, the Orlando City Council hereby establishes the city's currently existing service level of 12.66 acres of park per 1,000 population for the purpose of determining the amount of the impact fee established by this ordinance and that for the purpose of determining the amount of the impact fee, the benefit to the impact fee payer is equal to or greater than the total cost per new resident to provide park and recreation facilities to maintain this existing level of service; and

**WHEREAS**, based on the preferred city-wide level-of-service-standard based fee calculation methodology, the Parks Impact Fee Study recommended a total parks impact fee of \$6,902.38 per single family dwelling unit and \$5,892.73 per multifamily dwelling unit; and

WHEREAS, the Orlando City Council hereby finds that while this recommended fee is fair, reasonable, and is the appropriate fee necessary to maintain the city's currently existing service level of 12.66 acres of park per 1,000 population, that the Council may, within the reasonable exercise of its legislative discretion, decide to actually impose a lesser fee, recognizing that while such lesser fee may not, alone, fully mitigate the impacts of growth on our parks system, that such lesser fee will substantially contribute to maintaining a robust parks level of service while establishing a fee that is competitive with parks impact fees of other nearby local governments and also being sensitive to how impact fees can affect the affordability of new homes; and

WHEREAS, the Orlando City Council hereby finds that an appropriate balancing of these competing interests should result in an approximately 86% reduction in the initial total parks impact fee recommended by the Parks Impact Fee Study, thus resulting in an initial parks impact fee of \$966 per single family dwelling unit and \$825 per multifamily dwelling unit (this legislatively-determined reduction is sometimes referred to as a "policy discount"); and

202	WHEREAS, the intent of the Orlando City Council is that impact fees imposed
203	pursuant to this ordinance be used to pay only for the capital costs associated with the
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204	additional parks and recreation facilities required for new residential development in the
205	city; and
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207	WHEREAS, the Orlando City Council hereby finds, based on the Parks Impact
208	Fee Study, that a reasonable relationship, or rational nexus, exists between the need for
209	additional parks and recreation facilities and the growth in population generated by new
210	residential development; and
	residential development, and
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212	WHEREAS, the Orlando City Council hereby finds, based on the Parks Impact
213	Fee Study, that a reasonable relationship, or rational nexus, exists between the
214	expenditure of the funds collected pursuant to this ordinance and the benefits of new
215	parks and recreation facilities accruing to new residential development; and
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217	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
218	OF ORLANDO, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:
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220	SECTION 1. CH. 56, AMENDED. Chapter 56, Code of the City of Orlando,
221	Florida, is hereby amended as follows:
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<u>(b</u>	Director means the director of the City of Orlando Families, Parks and
<u>(D</u>	Recreation Department, or his or her designee.
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<u>(c</u>	Impact fee means the fee imposed by section 56.35 of this code. The fe
<u>,0</u>	may also be referred to as the "parks impact fee," the "parks and
	recreation facilities impact fee," or some other similar iteration of these
	terms.
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<u>(d</u>	Multifamily dwelling unit means a Two Family Dwelling or a Multi-Famil
	Dwelling as defined in Chapter 66 of this code.
<u>(e</u>	Park improvement means a physical asset, constructed or purchased,
<del></del>	with an expected useful life of at least five years and that is reasonably
	necessary to provide a safe and adequate park in which the public may
	recreate. Without limitation, the term includes recreation centers, pools
	playgrounds, playground equipment, park land, lights, fences, restroon
	facilities, basketball courts, baseball and softball fields, stormwater and
	other utility improvements, tennis courts, soccer fields, amphitheaters,
	gardens, beaches, docks, trails, nature preserves, and open fields.
<u>(f)</u>	Regional park means Lake Eola Park, Bill Frederick Park at Turkey La
	or Loch Haven Park.
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	multifamily dwelling unit. For the purpose of this ordinance, "construction of any simple family and any life and the purpose of this ordinance, "construction of any simple family and any life and the purpose of this ordinance, "construction of any simple family and any life and the purpose of this ordinance, "construction of any simple family and any life and the purpose of this ordinance, "construction of any simple family and any sim
	of any single family or multifamily dwelling unit" includes the relocation
	any single family or multifamily dwelling unit.
(h	Single family dwelling unit means a One Family Dwelling as defined in
<u>(11</u>	Chapter 66 of this code.
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Sec. 56.3	3. Parks impact fee funds established.
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<u>(a</u>	There is hereby established a separate parks impact fee fund for each
<u> </u>	the three parks benefit areas established by section 56.34 of this
	ordinance. Impact fee revenues must be deposited into the fund that
	corresponds with the location of the proposed residential development
	from which the respective fees were derived.
<u>(b</u>	Funds withdrawn from the parks impact fee fund may be used only in
	accordance with this ordinance.
Sec. 56.3	4. Parks benefit areas established.
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	Orlando, one to be known as the "North Parks Benefit Area," another a

304 305		The "Southeast Parks Benefit Area," and the third as the "Southwest Parks Benefit Area."
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307	(b)	All land within the jurisdictional boundaries of the city is contained within a
308	<u>(b)</u>	All land within the jurisdictional boundaries of the city is contained within a parks benefit area. Where the boundary of a parks benefit area crosses
309		an existing or proposed park or recreation facility, the divided park or
310		recreation facility shall be considered wholly within both of the parks
311		benefit areas. Where a residential development crosses the boundary of
312		a parks benefit area, the divided residential development shall be
313		considered wholly within both of the parks benefit areas.
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315	<u>(c)</u>	The boundaries of the parks benefit areas are hereby established by
316	(0)	Figure 56.34-1.
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321	Sec. 56.35. Im	pact fee imposed, rate established, and time of payment.
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323	<u>(a)</u>	Subject to the various terms, conditions, credits, exemptions, and other
324	(3-)	provisions of this ordinance, a parks impact fee is hereby imposed upon
325		all new residential development in the City of Orlando, as follows:
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327		For each single family dwelling unit - \$966
328		For each multifamily dwelling unit - \$825
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330	<u>(b)</u>	Except as permitted by subsection 56.35(c), the parks impact fee
331		imposed by this ordinance on new residential development must be paid
332		as a condition of the issuance of a building permit for the respective
333		residential unit or units. For the purpose of this section, a "building permit"
334		means a building permit issued pursuant to the Florida Building Code and
335		includes building permits for the construction of building foundations only.
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337	(c)	At the option of the applicant, the parks impact fee may be paid in
338		installments, with half of the due impact fee being paid before the
339		issuance of the respective building permit, and the remaining half being
340		paid before the issuance of the respective residential development's
341		certificate of occupancy (or functional equivalent). Where a residential
342		development will be permitted by multiple certificates of occupancy, the
343		second installment of the parks impact fee must be paid before the first
344		certificate of occupancy is issued for the development.
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346	Sec. 56.36. Pr	esumption of maximum impact.
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348		ed residential development is presumed to have the maximum
349		pact on the city's park system as such impact is determined by the Parks
350	Impact Fee Stu	<u>udy.</u>
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352	Sec. 56.37. Cr	redits.
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354	Credit a	against the parks impact fee is available as follows:

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356	<u>(a)</u>	Demolition, relocation, or cessation of use. Persons responsible for the
357		demolition, relocation, or cessation of a residential use are entitled to
358		credit against their subsequent parks impact fee liability, but the credit
359		must be used within 10 years of issuance and a written request for the
360		credit must be delivered to the director within three years of the
361		demolition, relocation, or cessation of use. Credit shall be issued in
362		writing by the director and must equal the then-applicable impact fee rate
363		times the number of demolished, relocated, or abandoned residential
364		units. Credit may be transferred to successors in interest to the land
365		where the demolition, relocation, or abandonment occurred, but may not
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		be transferred for use on other property.
367	(b)	Developer impressions of Applicants are entitled to are dit against their
368	<u>(b)</u>	Developer improvements. Applicants are entitled to credit against their
369		parks impact fee liability in an amount equal to the value of park
370		improvements contributed to the city, provided that:
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372		<ol> <li>The park improvement is consistent with the GMP; and</li> </ol>
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374		2. The park improvement was required by the city as a condition of
375		approval of a land development order or permit; and
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377		3. The proposed park improvement is reviewed and accepted by the
378		director; and
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380		4. For a contribution of land, the land is at least five acres in size or,
381		if less than five acres, the land is for a specialty park such as a trail
382		segment, pocket park, or a park adjacent to a body of water; and
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384		<ol><li>The park improvement is made directly by the applicant; and</li></ol>
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386		<ol><li>The city and the applicant enter into a parks impact fee credit</li></ol>
387		agreement setting forth the terms and conditions of the credit, including
388		without limitation, the valuation of the contributed park improvements, the
389		assignability of credits, the timing of contributions, and the expiry of
390		credits. Agreements entered into pursuant to this paragraph must be
391		approved by the Orlando City Council before any park improvement is
392		contributed to the city. The agreement may provide for execution by
393		mortgagees, lienholders, or contract purchasers in addition to the
394		applicant, and may permit any party to record the agreement in the official
395		records of Orange County. The Orlando City Council may approve an
396		agreement pursuant to this section only if finds that the agreement will
397		fairly apportion the costs associated with providing new parks and
398		recreation facilities consistent with Florida law relating to impact fees.
399		Recognizing the extraordinary staff time involved with reviewing a
400		proposed credit agreement, Council may, by resolution, establish an
401		appropriate fee for the submission of credit proposals pursuant to this
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<u>(a)</u>	Where a building permit is required for the rehabilitation, renovation, or
	redevelopment of an existing residential development, the applicant shall
	not be liable for the parks impact fee for each existing residential dwelling
	unit, but must pay the impact fee for each new residential unit, if any,
	developed as part of the rehabilitation, renovation, or redevelopment
	project. A residential unit is considered "existing" for purpose of this
	section if it was actually used for residential purposes for at least six
	months within 10 years of the issuance of the building permit for the
	rehabilitation, renovation, or redevelopment. The applicant is responsible
	for providing competent substantial evidence of the actual residential use
	of each unit. Such evidence may include, without limitation, utility records,
	building plans, leases, mail addressed to the dwelling unit or units, and
	sworn statements from past residents.

- (b) Affordable housing. The impact fee shall be discounted for certified affordable housing, as defined by Chapter 67 of this Code, as follows:
  - 1. By 100% if the affordable residential development is located wholly inside a Community Park service area (or areas) and a Neighborhood Park service area (or areas) that are operating at or above the city's respective adopted level of service. For purposes of this paragraph, the level of service shall be measured at the time that the first building permit is issued for the proposed residential development and the measurement must include the new residential units of the proposed affordable residential development.
  - 2. By 50% if the affordable residential development is located within any part of a Community Park service area (or areas) or a Neighborhood Park service area (or areas) that are operating below the city's respective adopted level of service. For purposes of this paragraph, the level of service shall be measured at the time that the first building permit is issued for the proposed residential development and the measurement must include the new residential units of the proposed affordable residential development.

#### Sec. 56.39. Alternative impact fee.

In lieu of paying the fee imposed by section 56.35 of this ordinance, an applicant may propose and pay an alternative impact fee if such alternative fee is approved by the Orlando City Council in accordance with this section and the purpose and intent of this ordinance. Alternative impact fees must be approved by agreement between the city and the applicant. The purpose of this section is to provide a mechanism for setting a lawful and fair impact fee where an impact fee rate different from that which is established in section 56.35 of this ordinance is necessitated by the unique characteristics of a proposed residential development. An alternative impact fee agreement must be supported by a study conducted by a professional with experience in impact fee calculations. The alternative impact fee study and the derived alternative impact fee may not apply any kind of discount as is applied to the impact fee imposed by section 56.35 of this ordinance (sometimes referred to as a "policy discount"). The study must be delivered to the director at least 60 days before a building permit is issued for the

respective residential development. The study and agreement may include, but is not limited to provisions that:

(a) Modify the presumption of maximum impact as provided by section 56.36 of this ordinance. In doing so, the study or agreement must specify the unique characteristics of the proposed residential development that justifies a modified presumption of impact. The agreement must provide sufficient remedies for ensuring that the residential development substantially maintains the unique characteristics justifying the modified presumption of impact.

(b) Provides an impact fee that differs from that rate imposed by section

56.35 of this ordinance if the alternative rate is supported by competent substantial and the most localized and recent planning and economic data then currently available.

(c) In lieu of the requirements relating to the time of payment provided in section 56.35 of this ordinance, provides a schedule and method of payment for the alternative impact fee that is appropriate to the unique characteristics of the proposed residential development. The applicant must provide the city, in a form acceptable to the Orlando City Council, security ensuring payment of the impact fee within 90 days of issuance of the residential development's first certificate of occupancy, which security may be in the form of a cash bond, surety bond, an irrevocable letter of credit, negotiable certificate of deposit or escrow account, or a lien or mortgage on land subject to the applicable certificate or certificates of occupancy.

Agreements entered into pursuant to this section must be approved by the Orlando City Council before any building permit is issued for the respective residential development. The agreement may provide for execution by mortgagees, lienholders, or contract purchasers in addition to the applicant, and may permit any party to record the agreement in the official records of Orange County. The Orlando City Council may approve an agreement pursuant to this section only if finds that the agreement will fairly apportion the costs associated with providing new parks and recreation facilities consistent with Florida law relating to impact fees. Recognizing the extraordinary staff time involved with reviewing a proposed alternative impact fee study and agreement, Council may, by resolution, establish an appropriate fee for the submission of studies

#### Sec. 56.40. Application of rates.

pursuant to this section.

The impact fee imposed by section 56.35 of this ordinance applies only to residential development receiving a building permit on or after March 1, 2017, except that residential development having received a building permit for foundation work only is hereby made exempt from the impact fee even if a building permit for vertical work is issued on or after March 1, 2017.

#### Sec. 56.41. Use of funds.

506 507 508 509 510 511 512 513 514	<u>(a)</u>	Impact fee funds may be used only for park improvements. Park improvements do not include operating costs associated with parks and recreation facilities and does not include routine maintenance of parks and recreation facilities, but may include the enlargement or substantial renovation or improvement of a park or recreation facility if such enlargement or substantial renovation or improvement substantially improves the service capacity of the park or facility. Impact fee funds may be used for costs associated with the planning, design, permitting, acquisition, purchase, expansion, or construction of park improvements.
515 516 517 518 519 520 521 522 523	(b)	Funds withdrawn from the three parks impact fee funds may be used only for park improvements within the parks benefit area that corresponds with the respective impact fee fund, except that park improvements to a regional park may be funded in part, or in whole, by impact fee funds derived from any one or more of the three parks impact fee funds without regard for the location of the regional park.
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525	Impac	t fees collected pursuant to this ordinance shall be returned to the then-
526		r of a residential development if the respective impact fee funds have not
527		encumbered within five years of being paid or if the respective residential
528		was abandoned after the fee was paid but before a certificate of occupancy
529		r the respective residential development, if:
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531	<u>(a)</u>	The then-present owner petitions the director for the refund within one
532	<u>(a)</u>	year of the end of the five-year term (during which the impact fees were
533		not spent of encumbered) or of abandonment of the residential
534		development.
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536	<u>(b)</u>	The petition contains:
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538		1. A notarized sworn statement that the petitioner is the current owner of
539		the property; and
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541		2. A copy of the dated receipt issued by the city for payment of the impact
542		fee; and
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544		3. A certified copy of the latest recorded deed for the applicable property;
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547		4. A copy of the most recent ad valorem tax bill for the applicable
548		property.
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550	The d	irector shall render a written decision on the petition within 60 days of
551		petition. For purposes of determining whether impact fees have been spent
552		ed, the first money place in an impact fee fund shall be deemed to be the first
553		rawn from that account when withdrawals have been made pursuant to
554		of this ordinance. Funds returned to a petitioner shall be returned with the
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#### Sec. 56.43. Periodic review.

The parks impact fee must be reviewed by the Orlando City Council at least every five years. The review should consider changes to the inventory of parks and recreation facilities, the then-proposed parks capital improvements plan, service delivery, the unit costs of providing new parks and recreation facilities, population growth, trends in park and recreation facility use, and such other information useful to ensuring that the impact fee is fair and appropriate. The purpose of the review is to revise, if necessary, the parks impact fee charged to new development to ensure it will not exceed its pro rata share for the reasonably anticipated expansion costs of capital improvements for parks and recreation facilities necessitated by the new residential development.

### Sec. 56.44. Appeals.

This ordinance shall be implemented by the director. In cases of uncertainty, or where the application of this ordinance to any particular person requires an interpretation of this ordinance (or an interpretation of any plan, study, or other document on which this ordinance relies), the director shall be responsible for such interpretation. Upon written request of an applicant, the director shall render a written determination on any question of implementation or interpretation. Applicants may appeal written determinations of the director to the city's chief administrative officer. A notice of appeal must be filed with the chief administrative officer within 15 days of the director's determination. The chief administrative officer shall hold a hearing on the appeal within 20 days of the notice of appeal and he or she may consider any probative evidence provided by the applicant or the director. The chief administrative officer should give substantial deference to the determinations of the director and shall render a final decision within 15 days of the hearing. The decision of the chief administrative officer is hereby made the city's final agency action on the applicant's request for a determination.

**SECTION 2. CODIFICATION.** The city clerk and the city attorney shall cause the Code of the City of Orlando, Florida, to be amended as provided by this ordinance and may renumber, re-letter, and rearrange the codified parts of this ordinance if necessary to facilitate the finding of the law.

**SECTION 3. SCRIVENER'S ERROR.** The city attorney may correct scrivener's errors found in this ordinance by filing a corrected copy of this ordinance with the city clerk.

**SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY.** If any provision of this ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are severable.

**SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This ordinance takes effect upon adoption.

**DONE, THE FIRST READING**, by the City Council of the City of Orlando, Florida, at a regular meeting, the \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

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