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Fees on new developments
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WHEREAS, New development has substantial impact on municipal facilities, such as transportation, and water systems;

WHEREAS, It is unfair to place the entire burden of these costs, which are necessitated by new developments on the township's residents;

WHEREAS, Impact fees represent an equitable way of sharing these costs between new development and the township's residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That Mount Joy Township, Adams County supports the passage of legislation to authorize municipalities to impose fair and equitable impact fees on new development to pay for the costs of the infrastructure improvements needed to serve that development;

AND FURTHER, That such legislation include the following provisions:

- 1) The ability for municipalities and developers to continue to negotiate in good faith for offsite improvements;
- 2) Protection for those municipalities that have existing impact fee ordinances by granting them one year which to bring their ordinance into conformance with the new law;
- 3) The authority to use impact fees to pay for the extensive administrative costs a township must incur into charge impact fees;
- 4) The flexibility for a municipality to establish the boundaries of each transportation service area in which impact fees will be levied;
- 5) The ability to collect impact fees for up to one year from developers who apply for subdivision approval while the impact fee ordinance is in the development stages; and
- 6) The discretion to appoint members to the impact fee advisory committee who represent a variety of actions within the municipality, instead of loading the membership up with individuals who represent the special interests of the building and real estate industries.

(Signed and Sealed)